Following is a summary of important business news published in the leading daily newspapers of Bangladesh. For the complete news, please follow the online link given below each news. Please note that the news summary doesn't reflect the opinion of BRAC EPL Stock Brokerage Limited.

Macro:

Remittance inflow registers 11.6pc growth, reaches USD 1.15 Bn in July's first 11 days

- Bangladesh's inward remittance recorded a robust double-digit growth with USD 1.15 Bn in first 11 days of July.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/remittance-inflow-registers-116pc-growth-reaches-115b-in-julys-first-11-days

EPB charts USD 66 Bn export roadmap for FY27

- The Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) has proposed a total export target of USD 66 Bn for the 2026-27 fiscal year, comprising USD 57 Bn from merchandise exports and USD 9 Bn from services sector.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/epb-charts-66b-export-roadmap-for-fy27-1783880570

Dhaka seeks IMF deal without public cost

- Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury has signalled a cautious approach towards a new IMF credit programme, saying any future arrangement must protect public interests and economic stability as the lender begins discussions on fresh support.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/dhaka-seeks-imf-deal-without-public-cost-1783880524

IMF reviews bad loans, bank reforms

- The authorities briefed the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on the new pay scale for public sector employees, while the visiting mission also received updates on bad loans and banking sector reforms.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/imf-reviews-bad-loans-bank-reforms-4222411

Govt steps up talks with BRICS bank, multilateral lenders for budget support

- The finance minister says the government is seeking concessional financing to ease pressure on foreign exchange reserves and ensure funding for priority development projects.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/govt-steps-talks-brics-bank-multilateral-lenders-budget-support-1486656

Sector and Industries:

TEXTILE | Cash incentive for local textile exports raised to 5.0%for FY27

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) on Sunday increased the cash incentive for the export-oriented local textile sector to 5% from the previous 1.5% for the 2026-27 fiscal year to encourage the use of domestically produced raw materials and enhance export competitiveness.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/cash-incentive-for-local-textile-exports-raised-to-50pc-for-fy27-1783880484

TEXTILE | Bangladesh likely to import 7.6 Mn bales of cotton in MY27

- Bangladesh may import 7.6 Mn bales of cotton in the marketing year 2026-27, starting on August 1, according to a projection by the United States Department of Agriculture. The report also stated that imports are expected to decline due to disruptions in yarn production and weaker demand in the ready-made garment sector.

https://www.newagebd.net/post/apparel/305919/bangladesh-likely-to-import-76m-bales-of-cotton-in-my27

ENERGY | Govt-imported LPG to hit market in Oct

- The government-imported liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) is all set to hit the domestic market in October, helping keep the domestic cooking-fuel market stable.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-imported-lpg-to-hit-market-in-oct-1783880357

BANK | Q1'26 term deposits up 14% as savers seek safe returns

- Term deposits at banks recorded robust YoY growth in Q1'2026 as depositors increasingly opted for fixed-income savings instruments to secure higher returns amid a high interest rate environment.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/q126-term-deposits-up-14pc-as-savers-seek-safe-returns-1783875282

BANK | Default loans to be curbed through NPL resolution guideline, BB tells IMF

- Bangladesh Bank will issue non-performing loan (NPL) resolution guidelines by December as part of its banking sector reform commitments under the proposed new loan programme with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/default-loans-be-curbed-through-npl-resolution-guideline-bb-tells-imf-1486676

BANK | From BDT 500 to BDT 100 Bn: The phenomenal rise of bKash & City Bank's nano loan

- Digital nano loan disbursement crossed BDT 100 Bn in July, marking a significant milestone in fully digital and collateral-free loan service introduced jointly by bKash and City Bank in December 2021. Over 3.5 Mn bKash customers availed the loan from City Bank so far under the digital nano loan platform.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/tk500-tk10000cr-phenomenal-rise-bkash-city-banks-nano-loan-1485926

PAYMENT | Mandatory Bangla QR irks merchants over 1% fee

- Shopkeepers argue that in many countries digital QR payments are free, and that Bangladesh is unfairly squeezing small businesses. This mandatory fee has ignited intense frustration among small traders, many of whom operate on razor-thin profit margins.

https://www.dhakatribune.com/business/414987/mandatory-bangla-qr-irks-merchants-over-1%25-fee

AIRLINES | US-Bangla set to lease 21 Boeing aircraft in USD 1.11 Bn fleet expansion

- US-Bangla Airlines is set to expand its fleet by adding 21 new Boeing 737-8 aircraft through leasing arrangements in 2027, in a move valued at about USD 1.11 Bn.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/aviation/us-bangla-set-lease-21-boeing-aircraft-111b-fleet-expansion-1486661

AUTOMOBILE | Japanese big three pick up speed in flat bike market

- Industry data showed that 422,655 motorcycles were sold in FY26, almost unchanged from 422,593 units in the previous fiscal year. Companies blamed weak demand for the stagnant market.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/japanese-big-three-pick-speed-flat-bike-market-4222401

Stocks:

EXCHANGE | BSRM, ACME Laboratories, Power Grid added to blue-chip index

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has restructured its blue-chip index, DS30, with three companies incorporated and three others dropped from the list as part of its semi-annual evaluation based on stock performance.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bsrm-acme-laboratories-power-grid-added-to-blue-chip-index-1783875053

EASTRNLUB | Eastern Lubricants surges on new transformer oil deal

- The share price of Eastern Lubricants rose to a six-month high of BDT 1,969.30 per share on Sunday as investors went on an aggressive buying spree following the news of the addition of a new product to its product portfolio.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/eastern-lubricants-surges-on-new-transformer-oil-deal-1783875091

SONALIANSH | Sonali Aansh returns to 'A' category after dividend payout

- Sonali Aansh Industries PLC has been elevated to the "A" category from the junk "Z" category by the Dhaka Stock Exchange after completing the distribution of a 15% cash dividend to shareholders for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sonali-aansh-returns-category-after-dividend-payout-1486596

CITYBANK | City Bank bucks trend as foreigners inject BDT 28 Mn amid broader market exodus

- While global fund managers aggressively offloaded shares across the broader market, they injected nearly BDT 28 Mn into the bank, more than doubling their stake in the private commercial lender within a single month.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/city-bank-bucks-trend-foreigners-inject-tk280cr-amid-broader-market-exodus-1486621

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 74.39	USD 16.96	29.53%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 78.98	USD 18.13	29.79%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,067.46	(USD 273.54)	-6.30%
DSEX	5,849.22	983.88	20.22%
S&P 500	7,575.39	676.57	9.81%
FTSE 100	10,497.29	565.91	5.70%
BSE SENSEX	77,569.39	-7,224.19	-8.52%
KSE-100	182,338.70	8,284.40	4.76%
CSEALL	21,765.56	-858.75	-3.80%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 123.53 BDT

1 GBP = 165.19 BDT

1 Euro = 140.70 BDT

1 INR = 1.29 BDT

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