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Macro:**Greater revenue burden falls on large taxpayers**

- The Large Taxpayers Unit (LTU) under the VAT wing of the National Revenue Board has been assigned a revenue target 60% higher than its collection last fiscal year. And the income-tax LTU's target is nearly 53% higher than its collection in FY26.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/greater-revenue-burden-falls-on-large-taxpayers>

BB launches UDYOG scheme to finance young entrepreneurs

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has launched a new financing programme selected young entrepreneurs will receive blended financing comprising bank loans and grants in a 50:50 ratio, with the combined financing capped at BDT 2.0 Mn for each entrepreneur.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bb-launches-udyog-scheme-to-finance-young-entrepreneurs>

WB plans disbursing USD 2.03 Bn soft credit to BD

- The World Bank plans to disburse USD 2.03 Bn to Bangladesh from its low-cost financing-arm International Development Association (IDA) in the current fiscal year, officials have said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/wb-plans-disbursing-203b-soft-credit-to-bd-1789321813>

BB issues guidance on implementation of Import Policy Order 2026–2029

- The central bank has issued a circular providing guidance on the implementation of the Import Policy Order (IPO) 2026–2029, issued by the Ministry of Commerce on August 24, 2026.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bb-issues-import-policy-implementation-guidelines>

Red Sea tensions drive up import costs

- Bangladesh's imports from Saudi Arabia and other Middle Eastern countries face significantly longer routes and higher transport costs. The development is significant for Bangladesh because Saudi Arabia is a key source of crude oil, urea, diammonium phosphate (DAP) fertiliser, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and methanol.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/red-sea-tensions-drive-import-costs-4272136>

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/foreign-affairs/313739/red-sea-tensions-threaten-wheat-fuel-imports>

Investors brace for possible rate hike at uncertain Fed meeting

- For years, inflation has persistently run above the Fed's 2% annual target, and interest rate increases are the primary tool the central bank has historically deployed to try to tamp down prices.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/investors-brace-for-possible-rate-hike-at-uncertain-fed-meeting-1789317704>

Sector and Industries:**BANK | BB ties MDs' performance to 100-mark evaluation framework**

- Bank Solvency and Liquidity Lens (25 Marks): Evaluates capital strength, including Capital to Risk-Weighted Assets Ratio (CRAR), Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1), and liquidity shock buffers.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bb-ties-mds-performance-to-100-mark-evaluation-framework>

ENERGY | July sees nearly 69% y-o-y surge in petroleum LC value

- Bangladesh pays dearly on overall imports as higher fuel-oil prices in troubled times lifted its import orders in value by nearly 14% in July, current fiscal year's maiden month, officials said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/july-sees-nearly-69pc-y-o-y-surge-in-petroleum-lc-value-1789321851>

ENERGY | Net 564 MW lost with Adani, Rampal doing the opposite

- Bangladesh's power-supply situation came under fresh pressure on Sunday as the second unit of the Rampal Thermal Power Plant shut down due to a technical glitch, even as electricity imports from India's Adani power plant began to increase after a brief disruption.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/net-564mw-lost-with-adani-rampal-doing-the-opposite-1789321907>

ENERGY | Chevron keen to invest more in Bangladesh gas sector

- US energy giant Chevron has expressed keen interest to come up with more investment in exploring new gas fields alongside existing ones to strengthen Bangladesh's energy security and meet its growing energy demand.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/chevron-keen-to-invest-more-in-bangladesh-gas-sector-1789322012>

ENERGY | IDCOL targets 1,000MW solar power capacity by next summer

- Of the target, 500MW is planned to come from a new Domestic Rooftop Solar (DRS) programme in on-grid areas, which IDCOL expects to launch within the next two weeks. Another 500MW is expected to come from expanding its existing industrial rooftop solar programme.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/idcol-targets-1000mw-solar-power-capacity-by-next-summer-1789322317>

TEXTILE | Commerce ministry asks NBR to suspend yarn bond facility order for review

- The commerce ministry has asked the National Board of Revenue to suspend its September 7 order tightening duty-free imports of 10–30 count cotton yarn under the bond facility for further review, amid opposition from readymade garment exporters.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/trade-commerce/313689/commerce-ministry-asks-nbr-to-suspend-yarn-bond-facility-order-for-review>

RMG | Garment accessories makers seek simpler back-to-back LC process

- The Chattogram Garments Accessories Association (CGAA) has urged Bangladesh Bank to simplify the documentation and payment process for back-to-back letters of credit (LCs), saying repeated approvals are delaying payments and squeezing the working capital of 100% deemed exporters.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/garment-accessories-makers-seek-bangladesh-bank-review-back-back-lc-procedures-1541801>

CONSUMER | Wheat imports likely to fall 11% in 2026-27

- Bangladesh's wheat imports are expected to fall by 11% to 6.6 Mn tonnes in the 2026-27 marketing year as high global prices, large stocks and uncertainty over global supplies weigh on demand.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/wheat-imports-likely-fall-11-2026-27-4272111>

BANK | Shimanto Bank plans IPO by 2028

- Shimanto Bank PLC plans to go for an initial public offering (IPO) by 2028, subject to an evaluation of the bank's overall financial situation. The bank's operating profit increased by 6.08% in 2025, while its assets increased to BDT 41.5 Bn, registering growth of 25.7%. Loans and investments increased by 23.37% and 41.08%, respectively.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/shimanto-bank-plans-ipo-2028-4272021>

CABLES | SQ Group builds electrical industrial complex in Mirsarai to meet growing local demand

- SQ Group is developing an integrated electrical products manufacturing complex at the National Special Economic Zone (NSEZ) in Chattogram as part of its plan to reduce import dependence and eventually enter export markets.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/sq-group-builds-electrical-industrial-complex-mirsarai-meet-growing-local-demand>

Stocks:**GPHISPAT | GPH Ispat plans to raise BDT 9.68 Bn through rights shares**

- GPH Ispat Ltd has proposed raising nearly BDT 9.68 Bn through a rights share issue to repay loans, as the steel manufacturer seeks to strengthen its financial position and reduce its debt burden.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/gph-ispac-plans-to-raise-tk-968b-through-rights-shares>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 102.47	USD 45.04	78.43%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 107.37	USD 46.52	76.45%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,338.27	(USD 2.73)	-0.06%
DSEX	5,418.55	553.22	11.37%
S&P 500	7,656.98	758.16	10.99%
FTSE 100	10,650.44	719.06	7.24%
BSE SENSEX	74,781.76	-10,011.82	-11.81%
KSE-100	170,511.90	-3,542.40	-2.04%
CSEALL	21,382.74	-1,241.57	-5.49%

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