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Macro:**Subsidy, spending cuts should power pay scale bump**

- The National Pay Commission recommended reducing subsidies, phasing out export cash incentives and cutting government expenditure to ease the cost of implementing the new pay scale for government employees. It also recommended merging or reducing departments under ministries, cutting allocations for poorly performing development projects and reforming the tax system to boost revenue.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/subsidy-spending-cuts-should-power-pay-scale-bump-4299061>

Growth trap, 16-year high inflation signal deepening crisis for Bangladesh, economists warn

- Bangladesh is caught in a trap of low growth, high inflation, and weak job creation that will not break without decisive governance reforms, prominent economists warned following a series of grim regional forecasts.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/growth-trap-16-year-high-inflation-signal-deepening-crisis-bangladesh-economists-warn>

Govt borrows BDT 242.45 Bn from banks in three months

- The government borrowed BDT 242.45 Bn from the banking sector in the first three months of FY27, highlighting its growing dependence on bank financing amid weak revenue collection.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/318010/govt-borrows-tk-24245cr-from-banks-in-three-months>

Current account deficit this fiscal may redouble

- Bangladesh's current-account deficit (CAD) may redouble to 2.1% of GDP this fiscal year on account of higher import bills. International Monetary Fund (IMF) has made such prognosis mainly as the country has to bear higher import costs of petroleum products and potential higher overall imports from a rebound in the economy.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/current-account-deficit-this-fiscal-may-redouble-1791999838>

Synchronised govt-WB project approval, rapid fund release likely

- Bangladesh expects to get financing commitments finalised with international development partners within two to three months as it strives for economic recovery, banking reform and mounting pressure from energy costs.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/synchronised-govt-wb-project-approval-rapid-fund-release-likely-1791999946>

More goods could push UK exports to USD 10 Bn

- The country shipped goods worth USD 4.67 Bn to the UK in FY26, mostly apparel. A more diverse export basket could lift that figure to USD 10 Bn.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/more-goods-could-push-uk-exports-10b-4298881>

Probashi Card holders to get 3.0% incentive on remittance

- Probashi Card holders will be eligible for a 3.0% incentive on remittances once the card is finalised and distributed. Currently, migrant workers receive a 2.5% cash incentive for sending money through official channels.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/probashi-card-holders-to-get-3pc-incentive-on-remittance-1791996880>

Govt wants to shift from Chinese loans to investment - Khosru says

- Bangladesh is pushing to move its financing partnership with China from loans to investment, Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said on the sidelines of the IMF-World Bank annual meetings in Bangkok. Future Chinese financing should shift from loans to investment, and hope for a joint change in this regard, he added.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-wants-shift-chinese-loans-investment-khosru-says-4298886>

Diesel supplies to remain 'tight' into 2027: IEA

- Diesel supply disruptions in the Gulf stemming from the US war against Iran will keep the market tight into 2027, the International Energy Agency said Wednesday, as it will take time to rebuild depleted stocks. And if Gulf supplies do not return to normal levels soon, "further demand reductions and the heavy economic costs these will entail may be needed to balance markets", the IEA warned.

<https://tob.news/diesel-supplies-to-remain-tight-into-2027-ia/>

After lapse of 12 years, builder now seeks more time

- Twelve years have elapsed in ostensible delay in building a thermal power plant and a coal-handling port facility at Matarbari and the builder now wants another year for completing entire works of the megaproject.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/after-lapse-of-12-years-builder-now-seeks-more-time>

Sector and Industries:**BANK | Foreign banks' net profit falls 38% in H1**

- Foreign commercial banks operating in Bangladesh saw their combined net profit fall 38% to BDT 23.21 Bn in H12026 as weaker trade activity and limited income-generating opportunities weighed on earnings.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/foreign-banks-net-profit-falls-38-h1-1573306>

BANK | Foreign banks invest BDT 356.92 Bn in govt securities

- Foreign banks in Bangladesh invested BDT 356.92 Bn in government securities by June 2026, almost matching their combined BDT 356.76 Bn in loans to industry and trade, as lending remained subdued and investment in government debt absorbed a substantial share of their funds.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/318009/foreign-banks-invest-tk-35692cr-in-govt-securities>

RMG | Garment sector must go green to retain global markets

- Bangladesh's garment industry must invest in cleaner production and transparency to remain competitive in global markets as the country prepares to graduate from least developed country (LDC) status, Vice-minister for international cooperation of the Netherlands has said on Monday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/garment-sector-must-go-green-retain-global-markets-4298986>

ENERGY | Govt approves 9 LNG cargoes, drops Kutubjom terminal plan

- The government has approved the purchase of nine LNG cargoes from Trafigura between December 2026 and December 2027, while rejecting a separate proposal for a BDT 131.61 Bn floating LNG terminal at Cox's Bazar.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/govt-approves-9-lng-cargoes-drops-kutubjom-terminal-plan-1573271>

ENERGY | PKSF signs BDT 5.0 Bn solar power deal with Finance Division

- Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) has signed a BDT 5 Bn agreement with the Finance Division of the Ministry of Finance to expand the use of solar power across Bangladesh.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/pksf-signs-tk-500cr-solar-power-deal-finance-division-4298931>

ENERGY | Confidence Group eyes BDT 40.00 Bn fresh investment in solar by 2028

- Confidence Group plans to invest more than BDT 40.0 Bn in 400MW solar power plants by 2028 as the company seeks to diversify beyond heavy fuel oil and meet rising electricity demand.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/confidence-group-eyes-tk4000cr-fresh-investment-solar-2028-1572161>

Stocks:**REGULATOR | BSEC chair leads new BDT 17 Bn market stabilisation fund board after 26-month deadlock**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has formed a seven-member interim board to oversee the Capital Market Stabilisation Fund (CMSF), ending a 26-month leadership vacuum as the regulator moves to replace the fund's existing rules-based framework with a dedicated law.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-chair-leads-new-tk1700cr-market-stabilisation-fund-board-after-26-month-deadlock>

REGULATOR | BSEC relaxes investment ban on market intermediaries' directors, mandates quarterly disclosures

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has relaxed its blanket ban on capital market investments by board members of market intermediaries, allowing directors of stock exchanges, depositories and clearing houses to invest in securities subject to mandatory quarterly disclosures.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-relaxes-investment-ban-market-intermediaries-directors-mandates-quarterly>

BSRMSTEEL, BSRMLTD | BSRM Group posts record BDT 239.43 Bn revenue, BDT 14.18 Bn profit in FY26

- Two listed companies of BSRM Group, Bangladesh Steel Re-Rolling Mills Limited and BSRM Steels Limited, jointly posted record revenue of BDT 239.43 Bn in FY26, up 20% from the previous fiscal year. The two steelmakers also reported a combined net profit of BDT 14.18 Bn in FY26, a 25% increase from BDT 11.32 Bn in FY25, driven by strong market demand and higher sales volumes.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/two-bsrm-listed-firms-post-record-tk23943cr-revenue-fy26-1573006>

DBH | DBH Finance's Q3 profit down 22% due to provision, lower investment income

- Despite a surge in interest income, DBH Finance experienced a 22.35% year-on-year decline in profit to BDT 251.22 Mn in Q3'26. A significant fall in investment income and provisions for unrealised losses in securities investment led to the erosion in earnings.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dbh-finance-q3-profit-down-22pc-due-to-provision-lower-investment-income-1791996584>

AZIZPIPES | Aziz Pipes surges 150% since Jan despite factory shutdown

- The stock climbed from BDT 40.60 on January 15 to BDT 82.30 on June 25, a 103% surge in a little more than five months. It slid to BDT 78.7 on September 23 before rising again to close at BDT 101.60 on Wednesday. The stock price has risen by a whopping 150% since January.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/aziz-pipes-surges-150pc-since-jan-despite-factory-shutdown-1791996602>

FEKDIL | Far East Knitting swings to BDT 146.2 Mn Loss, halves dividend in FY26

- Far East Knitting and Dyeing Industries PLC incurred a net loss in the fiscal year ended 30 June 2026, prompting its board to halve the proposed cash dividend to 6% from 12% in the previous fiscal year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/far-east-knitting-swings-tk1462cr-loss-halves-dividend-fy26-1573286>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 94.19	USD 36.76	64.01%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 104.56	USD 43.71	71.83%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,151.50	(USD 189.50)	-4.37%
DSEX	5,429.37	564.03	11.59%
S&P 500	7,718.94	820.12	11.89%
FTSE 100	10,724.86	793.48	7.99%
BSE SENSEX	72,781.89	-12,011.69	-14.17%
KSE-100	165,417.50	-8,636.80	-4.96%
CSEALL	19,796.06	-2,828.25	-12.50%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 123.41 BDT

1 GBP = 163.44 BDT

1 Euro = 138.36 BDT

1 INR = 1.29 BDT

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