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Macro:

New IMF debt test puts spotlight on Bangladesh's interest bill

- Bangladesh faces a tougher test of its public finances from mid-2027, when the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank will start using two new measures to assess debt risks. The multilateral lenders will look at how much government revenue goes on interest payments. They will also measure how much the government must raise each year to cover its budget deficit and repay maturing loans, relative to the size of the economy.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/new-imf-debt-test-puts-spotlight-bangladeshs-interest-bill-4326576

Government prioritises bankable PPP projects to attract investment

- In a policy pivot, the government will now prioritise developing bankable public-private partnership (PPP) projects to attract greater private investment in infrastructure development.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/government-prioritises-bankable-ppp-projects-to-attract-investment-1794936602

ADB launches PPP monitor to help mobilize private investment

- The government of Bangladesh and ADB launched PPP Monitor: Bangladesh to strengthen public–private partnerships (PPPs) and mobilize private investment in sustainable infrastructure and improved public services.

https://www.bssnews.net/business/447000

Sector and Industries:

BANK | BB considers liquidation or merger of troubled Padma Bank

- Bangladesh Bank has brought crisis-hit Padma Bank under a resolution process, paving the way for its liquidation or merger as the bank has become financially non-viable after years of mismanagement, loan irregularities and mounting losses.

https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/322895/bb-considers-liquidation-or-merger-of-troubled-padma-bank

Energy | Rooppur plant starts feeding electricity into national grid

- Rooppur plant starting electricity feeding into the power-hungry national grid, after long years gone into its installation, supplying 350 MW of power.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/rooppur-plant-starts-feeding-electricity-into-national-grid-1794935671

RMG | RMG turmoil spills into day two, 640 units shut

- The sudden postponement of Monday's Minimum Wage Board meeting for the RMG sector sparked intense labour unrest on Tuesday, disrupting operations at some 640 factories across major industrial zones.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/rmg-turmoil-spills-into-day-two-640-units-shut

RMG | No more wage boards, RMG owners want yearly pay revisions

- Garment owners do not want any more wage boards once this year's new minimum wage structure is announced, seeking instead to replace the periodic, often volatile review process with a fixed formula for annual pay rises.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/no-more-wage-boards-rmg-owners-want-yearly-pay-revisions-1605976

RMG | Basics drive 97% of apparel export growth

- Bangladesh's apparel export growth in 4MFY27 came almost entirely from basic garments, while higher-value products made little headway, underscoring the country's continued dependence on low-value items.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/basics-drive-97-apparel-export-growth-4326561

TELECOM | Govt revises spectrum renewal process for telcos

- The government has revised the spectrum renewal price for three mobile operators at BDT 212.38 Bn for 79.2 MHz in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2100 MHz bands over 20 years. However, the operators will have to pay an additional BDT 78.94 Bn in interest if they follow the instalment arrangement. They will not have to pay interest if they settle the entire amount within the first year.

https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/322918/govt-revises-spectrum-renewal-process-for-telcos

Stocks:

EXCHANGE | DSE to redefine ATB role as bonds move to main board

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) will amend the rules tied to the Alternative Trading Board (ATB), redefining its purpose. Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has asked the DSE on November 10 to take measures by the end of this month to transfer the bonds listed on the ATB to the exchange's main board.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dse-to-redefine-atb-role-as-bonds-move-to-main-board-1794930138

MUTUAL FUND | SEML IBBL Shariah Fund unitholders approve open-end conversion

- Unitholders of SEML IBBL Shariah Fund have approved a proposal to convert the fund from a closed-end to an open-end structure, although the change remains subject to regulatory clearance. 99.998% of unitholders present voted in favour of the proposal.

https://tob.news/seml-ibbl-shariah-fund-unitholders-approve-open-end-conversion/

MJLBD | MJL Bangladesh develops 5-acre green, automated warehouse complex near Ctg Port

- MJL Bangladesh PLC as well as its involvement in shipping, storage tank terminals and LPG, is seeking to diversify its business by tapping into growing demand for warehousing and logistics services.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bbs-cables-swings-tk108cr-loss-government-orders-dry-1605906

MTB, GP, ROBI | MTB partners with Grameenphone, Robi for Bangla QR payment

- Mutual Trust Bank PLC has entered into strategic partnerships with the country's leading telecommunications operators, Grameenphone Ltd and Robi Axiata PLC to introduce Bangla QR-based payment facilities across their respective customer service touchpoints.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/mtb-partners-with-grameenphone-robi-for-bangla-qr-payment-1794930187

BBSCABLES | BBS Cables swings to BDT 1.08 Bn loss as government orders dry up

- BBS Cables PLC has plunged into a BDT 1.08 Bn net loss in FY26, underscoring a dramatic reversal of fortune driven by drying government tenders and macroeconomic headwinds.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bbs-cables-swings-tk108cr-loss-government-orders-dry-1605906

METROSPIN | Metro Spinning's BMRE delay drags on, losses mount

- Metro Spinning Ltd has failed to resume production despite keeping its factory shut for more than three years to modernise and expand its facilities. The company has now sought another year to complete the project, while its losses continue to mount and net asset value per share declines.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/metro-spinnings-bmre-delay-drags-losses-mount-1605881

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 85.21	USD 27.78	48.37%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 92.89	USD 32.04	52.65%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,801.80	(USD 539.20)	-12.42%
DSEX	5,491.79	626.45	12.88%
S&P 500	7,340.53	441.71	6.40%
FTSE 100	10,689.87	758.49	7.64%
BSE SENSEX	82,532.19	-2,261.39	-2.67%
KSE-100	177,517.70	3,463.40	1.99%
CSEALL	21,701.07	-923.24	-4.08%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 124.87 BDT

1 GBP = 164.90 BDT

1 Euro = 137.27 BDT

1 INR = 1.33 BDT

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