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**Macro:****Revenue collection faces record shortfall in FY25 as Petrobangla arrears mount**

- The National Board of Revenue (NBR) is heading towards a record tax shortfall of around BDT 1.0 Tn in the outgoing fiscal year (FY 2024-25), despite efforts to recover long-standing arrears from state-owned enterprises like Petrobangla.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/revenue-collection-faces-record-shortfall-in-fy25-as-petrobangla-arrears-mount-1751304806>

**Customs operations resume at sea, land ports**

- Import and export activities resumed at sea and land ports across the country yesterday after revenue officials called off their two-day nationwide shutdown on Sunday evening.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/customs-operations-resume-sea-land-ports-3929601>

**Bangladesh to continue talks as US trade demands go against global norms**

- As the deadline for a reciprocal trade agreement approaches, Bangladesh and the United States remain divided over key terms, with Dhaka rejecting provisions it argues contravene international trade rules while pledging to continue negotiations.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-continue-talks-us-trade-demands-go-against-global-norms-1177951>

**Savings tools yields cut despite their current modest rates**

- Yield rates on state-run savings tools, ideally designed for helping pensioners, elders and widows, have been cut although their shines are already dim for low returns. The government revised downward the yield rates on savings certificates under the Department of National Savings with effect from July 1 and applicable for the next six months through December 2025, according to a notification issued Monday by the Finance Division.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/savings-tools-yields-cut-despite-their-current-modest-rates>

**Sector & Industries:****BANK | 11 more banks to face asset quality review**

- Eleven more banks that were hit by irregularities and scams during the Awami League government's tenure are set to undergo an asset quality review (AQR) by global audit firms. Central bank officials, seeking anonymity, said the eleven banks are Islami Bank Bangladesh, Al-Arafah Islami Bank, National Bank, Bangladesh Commerce Bank, United Commercial Bank, IFIC Bank, AB Bank, Premier Bank, NRB Commercial Bank, NRB Bank, and Meghna Bank.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/11-more-banks-face-asset-quality-review-3929371>

**AGRICULTURE | Most farmland far below optimal productivity**

- Bangladesh leaves 56% of agricultural land below productivity trajectory while only 1.2% catches up desired level of production with the highest output, although the country meets food deficit with imports.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/most-farmland-far-below-optimal-productivity-1751304528>

**FUEL & POWER | Eastern Refinery hits record in production**

- Eastern Refinery Limited (ERL), Bangladesh's sole state-run facility for processing crude oil into various petroleum products, set a record by surpassing its installed production capacity in fiscal year 2024-25. A total of 1.53 Mn tonnes of crude oil were processed in the year, whereas its capacity is 1.5 Mn tonnes per year, as per records from 1968 when it was established.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/eastern-refinery-hits-record-production-3929561>

**BANK | Policy push needed to align banking sector with social business goals**

- Top bankers and economists called upon the government to play a proactive role in bridging the gap between conventional banking and social business by offering targeted policy support and strategic coordination.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/policy-push-needed-to-align-banking-sector-with-social-business-goals-1751301078>

**Stocks:****RUPALIBANK | Rupali Bank to boost paid-up capital with govt fund adjusted new shares**

- Rupali Bank is going to issue ordinary shares worth BDT 6.80 Bn against funds received from the government earlier as share money deposits. The lone listed state-owned bank will issue 453.33 Mn shares of BDT 15 each with a premium of BDT 5 per share in favour of the secretary of the Finance Division.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/rupali-bank-to-boost-paid-up-capital-with-govt-fund-adjusted-new-shares-1751300935>

**BERGERPBL | Berger earns record annual profit as sales get a boost**

- Berger Paints secured a 4% year-on-year growth in profit to BDT 3.37 Bn in the year ended in March 2025, the highest since its listing. The profit was driven by higher sales amid the cooling of raw material prices in the global market.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/berger-earns-record-annual-profit-as-sales-get-a-boost-1751300892>

**EASTLAND | Eastland Insurance approves 10% cash dividends**

- Eastland Insurance on Monday held its 38th annual general meeting (AGM) through a virtual platform and approved 10% cash dividends only for its public shareholders, according to a press statement.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/eastland-insurance-approves-10pc-cash-dividends-1751300858>

**CONFIDCEM | BSEC rejects Confidence Cement's rights share application**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has rejected the rights share application of Confidence Cement PLC, which intended to raise funds to meet rising investment costs of its associate company, Confidence Cement Dhaka Limited. On Monday, the company's share price closed at BDT 49.70 on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-rejects-confidence-cements-rights-share-application-1177856>

**EXCHANGE | DSE appoints Asadur Rahman as acting managing director**

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), the country's premier bourse, has appointed its Company Secretary Asadur Rahman, as the acting managing director. According to a DSE source, prior to assuming the new role, Asadur Rahman was promoted to chief operating officer by the DSE board.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-appoints-asadur-rahman-acting-managing-director-1177786>

**Stock and Commodities\***

| Index Name         | Close Value  | Value Change YTD | % Change YTD |
|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| Crude Oil (WTI)*   | USD 64.80    | (USD 6.63)       | -9.28%       |
| Crude Oil (Brent)* | USD 67.61    | (USD 6.78)       | -9.11%       |
| Gold Spot*         | USD 3,318.63 | USD 710.15       | 27.22%       |
| DSEX               | 4,838.39     | -378.05          | -7.25%       |
| S&P 500            | 6,204.94     | 298.00           | 5.04%        |
| FTSE 100           | 8,760.96     | 639.95           | 7.88%        |
| BSE SENSEX         | 83,606.46    | 5,406.53         | 6.91%        |
| KSE-100            | 125,627.31   | 10,368.31        | 9.00%        |
| CSEALL             | 18,026.72    | 2,082.11         | 13.06%       |

**Exchange Rates****1 US Dollar = 122.66 BDT****1 GBP = 168.43 BDT****1 Euro = 144.56 BDT****1 INR = 1.43 BDT**

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