

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:**Policy rate unlikely to change amid high inflation**

- The Bangladesh Bank is likely to keep the policy rate unchanged at 10% for the second half of this year as the country grapples with persistently high inflation, according to officials familiar with the matter.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/policy-rate-unlikely-change-amid-high-inflation-4206711>

Debt servicing burden to nearly double in 4yrs

- The government's external debt servicing burden is projected to almost double to USD 7.6 Bn in FY29 from USD 4.11 Bn in FY25 as rising interest payments, shorter loan maturities, and repayments for several mega projects begin to weigh on public finances.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/debt-servicing-burden-nearly-double-4yrs-4206836>

Net foreign loan inflow falls by three-fourths

- The inflow of net foreign loans fell by three-fourths during the July-May period of fiscal year 2025-26 compared to the same period last year, as Bangladesh repaid more to international creditors than it received.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/column/news/zero-coupon-bond-tax-break-withdrawal-risks-growth-4204661>

Only 346 non-RMG products earn over USD 1.0 Mn each a year

- Only 346 of Bangladesh's 1,393 non-RMG export products earn more than USD 1.0 Mn each annually, highlighting the limited expansion of most export items despite the country's diverse export basket.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/only-346-non-rmg-products-earn-over-10m-each-a-year-1782238573>

Bangladesh sees mixed fortunes in non-traditional export markets

- The mixed performance comes as the FY2026-27 budget renews the government's emphasis on export diversification through measures to improve industrial competitiveness, facilitate trade and provide dedicated financing for expanding exports ahead of Bangladesh's graduation from least developed country (LDC) status.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-sees-mixed-fortunes-non-traditional-export-markets-1470756>

Shutters down permanently on 457 industrial units

- A slew of 457 industrial units have faced permanent closure during last two years mainly because of shrinking work orders, owners' financial crisis, labour unrest and energy crisis.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/shutters-down-permanently-on-457-industrial-units-1782239319>

Poultry sector gets new policy after 18 years

- The government has introduced an updated policy for the country's poultry sector after nearly two decades, aiming to make the industry safer and export-oriented by promoting environmentally sustainable waste management and modern production systems.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/poultry-sector-gets-new-policy-after-18-years-4206706>

Sector and Industries:**BANK | BB to re-impose interest rate spread cap to aid businesses**

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has decided to re-impose a cap on the interest-rate spread of commercial banks to facilitate business activities by reducing lending costs. A BB official said the board of directors decided to re-introduce a maximum average intermediation spread of 4.0% between deposits and lending rates.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bb-to-re-impose-interest-rate-spread-cap-to-aid-businesses-1782239646>

BANK | Banks can now transfer consumer loans directly to vendors

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has allowed banks to disburse certain consumer loans directly to vendors through electronic fund transfers, a move aimed at modernising loan settlement processes and reducing operational risks associated with paper-based transactions.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/banks-can-now-transfer-consumer-loans-directly-vendors-4206586>

BANK | Bangladesh Bank introduces 'Non-Resident Convertible Taka Account' for expatriates

- The Bangladesh Bank has introduced a new banking facility for expatriate Bangladeshis, allowing them to open Non-Resident Convertible Taka Accounts (NRCTA), aiming to encourage remittance inflows through formal channels, boost investment and expand offshore banking activities.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bangladesh-bank-introduces-non-resident-convertible-taka-account-expatriates-1470591>

BANK | Banks' investments in govt securities surge

- Banks increased their investment in government securities by 35.5% in 2025 as rising default loans, deteriorating asset quality and liquidity stress pushed many banks away from traditional lending activities. Banks' investments in government securities rose to BDT 4.05 Tn in 2025 from BDT 2.99 Tn a year earlier.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/303786/banks-investments-in-govt-securities-surge>

ENERGY | IMED flags readiness gaps at RNPP

- The Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division (IMED) has called for urgent coordination between the main Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant (RNPP) project and its four supporting projects, alongside faster procurement planning and the settlement of long-pending audit objections.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/imed-flags-readiness-gaps-at-rnpp-1782239698>

TELECOM | Spectrum debate heats up before renewal

- The issue has gained urgency ahead of a major spectrum renewal in 2026, when operators must renew 2×79.2 MHz of spectrum in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2100 MHz bands.

<https://tob.news/spectrum-debate-heats-up-before-renewal/>

Stocks:**BXPHERMA | Beximco Pharma's delayed reports show record annual earnings**

- Beximco Pharmaceuticals posted a profit of BDT 6.99 Bn in FY25 driven by strong sales growth. The company recommended a 47.5% cash dividend to its shareholders for the fiscal year 2024-25.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/beximco-pharmas-delayed-reports-show-record-annual-earnings-1782232297>

CITYBANK | City Bank partners with Milk Vita, Agroshift on dairy financing

- City Bank PLC, Milk Vita and Agroshift recently signed a tripartite memorandum of understanding (MoU) to launch a “Digital Dairy Financing Initiative” aimed at expanding access to formal finance for dairy and cattle farmers across Bangladesh through a technology-enabled ecosystem.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/city-bank-partners-milk-vita-agroshift-dairy-financing-4206671>

EXCHANGE | Transparency blackout: 51 firms hide financials while BSEC lags behind global standards

- The integrity of Bangladesh's capital market is facing a severe credibility crisis as 51 listed companies – representing over 12% of the bourse – continue to flout mandatory disclosure requirements by failing to publish their financial results.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/18-out-20-closed-end-funds-under-icb-trusteeship-face-conversion-or-liquidation>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 72.42	USD 14.99	26.10%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 76.20	USD 15.35	25.23%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,065.50	(USD 275.50)	-6.35%
DSEX	5,605.25	739.92	15.21%
S&P 500	7,365.46	466.64	6.76%
FTSE 100	10,428.85	497.47	5.01%
BSE SENSEX	76,200.68	-8,592.90	-10.13%
KSE-100	177,692.92	3,638.62	2.09%
CSEALL	22,256.49	-367.82	-1.63%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 122.99 BDT

1 GBP = 162.25 BDT

1 Euro = 139.83 BDT

1 INR = 1.29 BDT

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