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Important News Snippets

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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:

Consumption-led economic dynamism in sight

- Rising consumption of goods spurs economic activity and demand-driven imports, particularly amid some splurge in upcoming national elections, in a rebound from persisting slumps. The rise in domestic consumption led to an 11% growth in VAT collection in the month of October 2025. However, income tax collection grew by 10% while import duty was negative at 16%.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/consumption-led-economic-dynamism-in-sight-1763921972

Bangladesh pushes ahead with LDC graduation despite rising calls for delay

- Despite mounting pressure from businesses, economists, and political parties to seek a deferral for Least Developed Country (LDC) exit, the interim government is moving ahead with the graduation next November, even though the latest country report cautions that Bangladesh's development journey remains exposed to significant vulnerabilities.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-pushes-ahead-ldc-graduation-despite-rising-calls-delay-1293096

Sector & Industries:

BANK | Special liquidity feeding dries up, G-sec cools

- Liquidity support from Bangladesh Bank is drying up as borrowing by scheduled banks through repo and special-liquidity facilities has fallen from BDT 1.55 Tn in July to just BDT 616 Bn in October. At the same time, yields on government securities have fallen to around 10%, making the previous arbitrage of borrowing from the central bank and investing in G-Secs less attractive

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/special-liquidity-feeding-dries-up-g-sec-cools-1763921760

Stocks:

BEXIMCO | Janata Bank moves to auction 6 Beximco factories despite govt's revival plan

- State-owned Janata Bank has moved to auction six Beximco Limited factories, despite the government's efforts to revive the struggling company through an international lease agreement. Within the day of the board meeting on 20 November, the bank issued public notices to auction 193 decimals of land and all structures on it at Beximco Industrial Park, which had been mortgaged as collateral for loans on three of the factories.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/janata-bank-moves-auction-6-beximco-factories-despite-govts-revival-plan-1293041

UPGDCL | United Power's quarterly profit falls as revenue drops, costs climb

- After reporting its highest-ever annual profit in FY25, United Power Generation & Distribution Company's first-quarter profit plunged 30% year-on-year to BDT 2.92 Bn in the three months to September, due to lower revenue and higher production costs. The power generation company's consolidated earnings per share (EPS) came down to BDT 4.94 in the July-September quarter this year from BDT 7.13 in the same quarter of the previous year.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/united-powers-quarterly-profit-falls-as-revenue-drops-costs-climb-1763913320

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SIPLC | Coverage of defence purchases by Sena Insurance opposed by public, private peers

- Stakeholders have strongly opposed a plea by Sena Kalyan Sangstha (SKS) to allow its concern, Sena Insurance, to underwrite insurance risks relating to defence purchases, terming the move as a violation of the Insurance Corporation Act. They said the Act entitles only the state-run Sadharan Bima Corporation (SBC) to underwrite risks of public assets. Sena Insurance, by contrast, is not a state-owned enterprise but a concern of SKS, a charitable trust run by the Bangladesh Armed Forces.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/coverage-of-defence-purchases-by-sena-insurance-opposed-by-public-private-peers-1763913383

VAMLBDMF1 | Unitholders reject conversion, seek redemption upon maturity

- Another closed-end mutual fund - Vanguard AML BD Finance Mutual Fund One - is going to be liquidated next month after a majority of its unitholders voted against its conversion into an open-ended fund upon maturity. The fund has reported a net asset value (NAV) of BDT 8.75 per unit on the basis of the current market prices of underlying assets, as of November 20 this year, whereas the face value is BDT 10 per unit.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/unitholders-reject-conversion-seek-redemption-upon-maturity-1763913470

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 57.93	(USD 13.50)	-18.90%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 62.43	(USD 11.96)	-16.08%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,047.89	USD 1,439.41	55.18%
DSEX	4,915.75	-300.70	-5.76%
S&P 500	6,602.99	696.05	11.78%
FTSE 100	9,539.71	1,418.70	17.47%
BSE SENSEX	85,231.92	7,031.99	8.99%
KSE-100	162,102.92	46,843.92	40.64%
CSEALL	22,982.72	7,038.11	44.14%

Exchange Rates

1 US Dollar = 122.46 BDT

1 GBP = 160.31 BDT

1 Euro = 140.98 BDT

1 INR = 1.37 BDT

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