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**Macro:****Bangladesh raises jet fuel price by around 80%**

- Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC) has raised the price of jet fuel for domestic flights to BDT 202.29 per litre from BDT 112.41.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/bangladesh-raises-jet-fuel-price-by-around-80-%>

**Remittance inflow surges to USD 2.8 Bn in 23 days of March**

- Bangladesh's remittance inflows have maintained a powerful upward trajectory during Eid-UI Fitr, recording a robust 7.4% monthly growth in 23 days of March 2026, compared to the same period last year.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/remittance-inflow-surges-to-28-bn-in-23-days-of-march>

**Bangladesh expects \$1.3b IMF instalment in July**

- Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said that the government expects to receive the next instalment of USD 1.3 Bn from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) by July.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/bangladesh-expects-13b-imf-installment-july-finance-minister-1392931>

**Ctg Port handles 2.5m tonnes of cargo, 55,000 TEUs during Eid holidays**

- Despite a nationwide holiday for financial institutions, operations at the Chittagong Port Authority continued largely uninterrupted during the Eid break, handling over 2.5 mn tonnes of cargo and nearly 55,000 TEUs of containers in seven days.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/ctg-port-handles-25m-tonnes-cargo-55000-teus-during-eid-holidays-1393056>

**Ordinance placed in parliament destined to embrace demise**

- A much-contended move to bifurcate the National Board of Revenue (NBR) looks poised to cease automatically as the finance ministry finds the relevant ordinance promulgated by the interim administration incomplete.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/ordinance-placed-in-parliament-destined-to-embrace-demise>

**Trade deals, LDC deferment top agenda at WTO summit**

- Bangladesh will prioritize bilateral trade negotiations, deferment of its graduation from least developed country (LDC) status, among other issues, at the World Trade Organization's (WTO) 14th Ministerial Conference

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/trade-deals-ldc-deferment-top-agenda-wto-summit-4134696>

**Bangladesh faces \$4.8b surge in annual energy import bill**

- Bangladesh's annual fossil fuel import bill is projected to soar by USD 4.8 Bn, a 40% increase from 2025 levels. The financial shock of oil, gas, and coal prices will cost the equivalent of 1.1% of Bangladesh's 2024 GDP if current elevated levels hold for a year. The country spends roughly USD 12 Bn annually on energy imports, according to government data.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-faces-48b-surge-annual-energy-import-bill-4134686>

**Stocks:**

**EXCHANGE | Most listed firms pay less than 5% dividends for FY25**

- The stock market's performance depends on how well-listed companies perform, but many firms disappointed shareholders in the last fiscal year, offering low dividends mainly due to weak sales and profits. Out of 158 listed companies that published FY25 financial reports and announced dividends, 80 companies provided dividends of less than 5%, 47 gave no dividend, 49 firms declared more than 10% dividends, and 24 companies offered 10%.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/most-listed-firms-pay-less-5-dividends-fy25-4134691>

**EXCHANGE | Delays in MF conversion, liquidation trap investors' funds**

- Delayed conversion or liquidation of close-ended mutual funds (MFs) is preventing investors from recovering their investments on time and leaving funds idle for extended periods.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/delays-in-mf-conversion-liquidation-trap-investors-funds-1774366602>

**MKFOOTWEAR | MK Footwear secures \$10m export deal with Chinese firm**

- MK Footwear PLC has signed a major export agreement with China-based Jinjiang Akia Sports Co Ltd aiming to boost its international business with an estimated annual export value of up to USD 10 Mn.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bangladesh-industrial-finance-shares-surge-633-14-jan-1390531>

**GP | Grameenphone forecasts Q1 revenue dip amid Middle East tensions**

- Grameenphone Limited has forecast a slight decline in its financial performance for the first quarter of 2026, citing global geopolitical tensions and ongoing domestic economic challenges.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/grameenphone-forecasts-q1-revenue-dip-amid-middle-east-tensions-1393316>

**RUNNERAUTO | Runner Automobiles ties up with China's BYD in EV push**

- Runner Automobiles has approved a landmark supply and manufacturing agreement with China's electric vehicle giant BYD Auto Industry Company. The deal would facilitate technology transfer, allowing Runner to gain access to advanced EV platforms, battery systems, and manufacturing expertise-areas where BYD has established global dominance.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/runner-automobiles-ties-up-with-chinas-byd-in-ev-push-1774366839>

**Stock and Commodities\***

<b>Index Name</b>	<b>Close Value</b>	<b>Value Change YTD</b>	<b>% Change YTD</b>
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 88.47	USD 31.04	54.05%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 98.95	USD 38.10	62.61%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,575.92	USD 234.92	5.41%
DSEX	5,284.97	419.64	8.63%
S&P 500	6,556.37	-342.45	-4.96%
FTSE 100	9,965.16	33.78	0.34%
BSE SENSEX	74,068.45	-10,725.13	-12.65%
KSE-100	153,966.36	-20,087.94	-11.54%
CSEALL	21,071.23	-1,553.08	-6.86%

**Exchange Rates****1 US Dollar = 122.69 BDT****1 GBP = 164.18 BDT****1 Euro = 142.13 BDT****1 INR = 1.30 BDT**

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