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Macro:**New condition for USD 5.5 Bn loan: IMF limits Bangladesh's foreign loan intake**

- The International Monetary Fund has, for the first time, set a ceiling on how much Bangladesh can borrow from abroad, citing rising risks in the country's external debt. The lender introduced the new condition for the next instalment of its USD 5.5 Bn loan package during the fourth and fifth tranche review in June this year.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/new-condition-55b-loan-imf-limits-bangladeshs-foreign-loan-intake-3995576>

Costs of trade with India rise 20% amid non-tariff measures

- Bangladeshi businesses are paying higher costs when sending goods to India and bringing in industrial inputs from the neighbouring country amid retaliatory non-tariff measures imposed by Dhaka and New Delhi. Annual trade between the two countries crosses USD 15 Bn. India, after China, is the second largest source of commodities and raw materials for Bangladesh.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/costs-trade-india-rise-20-amid-non-tariff-measures-3996216>

Taka getting increasingly overvalued amid subdued dollar demand

- Bangladesh's currency appears increasingly getting overvalued as subdued import demand and weak private-sector credit flows coincide with robust remittance inflows. The trend is reflected in the central bank's latest reading of the real effective exchange rate (REER) index, which rose to 103.84 in August from 101.23 a month before.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/taka-getting-increasingly-overvalued-amid-subdued-dollar-demand-1758909318?date=27-09-2025>

Interim govt to complete budget revision two months before time

- Revision of the current fiscal budget takes place two months ahead of usual timing--by January -- as the interim regime decides to complete it before a new government takes office. Usually, budget is revised by March, before preparing next fiscal budget, finance officials say while citing reasons for the antedated exercise.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/public/first-page/interim-govt-to-complete-budget-revision-two-months-before-time-1758908807>

Services export earnings belie vast potential

- Bangladesh's export earnings from services have been on a decline over the last three years after a pickup even in the post-pandemic fiscal year, officials say, largely for ignoring a vast potential. Notwithstanding an impressive income in the fiscal year (FY) 2021-22, just after the pandemic Covid-19 attack, the highest job-absorbing sector failed to see a liftoff in its foreign income, they said Friday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/services-export-earnings-belie-vast-potential-1758993524>

Calls grow for urgent overhaul of revenue board

- Despite repeated calls for reform, the National Board of Revenue (NBR) remains largely unchanged, leaving unresolved tensions between its policy and administrative functions. At the heart of the debate is the separation of revenue policy from revenue administration, a recommendation made by the NBR reform advisory committee after consultations with businesses and stakeholders.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/calls-grow-for-urgent-overhaul-of-revenue-board-1758993302>

Sector & Industries:**BANK | Policy twist to state-guaranteed SDF reviving call-money market**

- Cash transactions on the call money-market rise in a rebound of the moribund interbank platform as the central bank's policy revision, cutting 50 basis points in the state-guaranteed standing deposit facility (SDF), helps change the equations, sources say.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/policy-twist-to-state-guaranteed-sdf-reviving-call-money-market-1758993212>

RMG | US buyers push Bangladeshi exporters to partly absorb tariff costs

- Exporters in Bangladesh had hoped for a competitive boost when the United States set its reciprocal tariff on Bangladeshi goods slightly below rates imposed on some rivals. But that edge appears to be slipping away, as US buyers increasingly pressure suppliers to absorb part of the higher duty. Since August, when the US imposed a 20% reciprocal tariff on Bangladeshi apparel, some buyers have sought to transfer between 5% and 7% of the added cost onto suppliers, while others want them to carry the full burden.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/us-buyers-push-bangladeshi-exporters-partly-absorb-tariff-costs-1247541>

Stocks:**ENVOYTEX | Envoy Textiles reports strong profit growth, recommends 30% cash dividend**

- Envoy Textiles Ltd, the world's first LEED-certified green denim manufacturing facility, reported a significant year-on-year profit increase in the fiscal year 2024-25, driven by higher orders from US and European buyers through aggressive marketing efforts. The company's board of directors has recommended a 30% recorded cash dividend for shareholders for FY 2024-25, up from 20% in the previous year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/envoy-textiles-reports-strong-profit-growth-recommends-30-cash-dividend-1247466>

EBL | Eastern Bank to issue BDT 8 Bn bonds

- Eastern Bank PLC (EBL) has announced that its board of directors has approved the issuance of subordinated bonds worth BDT 8 Bn to strengthen its Tier-II capital. The approval came at a board meeting on September 24, EBL said in a disclosure published on the Dhaka Stock Exchange website yesterday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/banks/news/eastern-bank-issue-tk-800cr-bonds-3994726>

MONNOCERA | Monno Ceramic's profit drops 43%

- Monno Ceramic Industries, one of the leading ceramics producers in the country, saw a fall in profit in fiscal year 2024-2025 as rising finance costs weighed on its earnings. It posted earnings per share (EPS) of BDT 0.22, down from BDT 0.39 in the previous year, according to a disclosure posted on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) website yesterday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/monno-ceramics-profit-drops-43-3994696>

APEXFOOT | Apex Footwear recommends 50% dividend as profit falls 23% in FY25

- Apex Footwear has recommended a 50% dividend for its shareholders for the fiscal year FY25, while its net profit fell by 23%. The decision came from the board meeting held yesterday (25 September), according to the company's price sensitive statement published on its website.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/apex-footwear-recommends-50-dividend-profit-falls-23-fy25-1246216>

CITYBANK | City Bank to launch subsidiary City Credit Bureau

- Following the Bangladesh Bank's recent approval of private-sector credit bureaus, City Bank has announced plans to establish a new subsidiary named City Credit Bureau, aimed at supporting the lender's business growth and expanding its role in the country's evolving financial services landscape. The decision was approved by the board of directors at a meeting held on 25 September, according to a price-sensitive disclosure posted on the bank's website.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/city-bank-launch-subsiary-city-credit-bureau-1247421>

Stock and Commodities*

| Index Name | Close Value | Value Change YTD | % Change YTD |
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| Crude Oil (WTI)* | USD 65.72 | (USD 5.71) | -7.99% |
| Crude Oil (Brent)* | USD 70.13 | (USD 4.26) | -5.73% |
| Gold Spot* | USD 3,759.98 | USD 1,151.50 | 44.14% |
| DSEX | 5,415.13 | 198.69 | 3.81% |
| S&P 500 | 6,643.70 | 736.76 | 12.47% |
| FTSE 100 | 9,284.83 | 1,163.82 | 14.33% |
| BSE SENSEX | 80,426.46 | 2,226.53 | 2.85% |
| KSE-100 | 162,257.02 | 46,998.02 | 40.78% |
| CSEALL | 21,598.99 | 5,654.38 | 35.46% |

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