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Macro:**Remittance jumps 31% in November**

- Remittance inflows to Bangladesh rose by 31.34% year-on-year to USD 2.88 Bn in November, marking the highest in the last six months. Expatriates had sent USD 2.19 Bn home in the same month last year, according to the latest data from the Bangladesh Bank. November's figure is also 13% higher than October's inflow of USD 2.56 Bn.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/remittance-jumps-31-november-4048296>

Private credit growth dips further to 6.23% in October

- Private sector credit growth in Bangladesh has continued its downward trend, falling to its lowest point in four years in October 2025, according to Bangladesh Bank data. According to Bangladesh Bank data, capital machinery imports fell by around 9.5% during July-October

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/private-credit-growth-dips-further-623-october-1299746>

Rice, fish, meat key drivers of Oct food inflation

- The November edition of the Economic Update and Outlook shows rice alone contributed 47.01% to food inflation, followed by fish at 39.33% and meat at 13.44%, while vegetables posted a negative contribution of 20.57%

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/rice-fish-meat-key-drivers-of-oct-food-inflation-1764613286>

Dhaka continues attempts to revise overpriced bids

- Dhaka Metro Rail Company continues its effort for negotiating over-priced quotations in various contracts of metro-rail projects and will soon send a reminder to the projects' Japanese financier. Managing Director of Dhaka Mass Transit Company Limited (DMTCL) Faruque Ahmed explained the move during monthly press conference in the DMTCL conference room Monday in response to a question about JICA rejection of request for cancellation of tender.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/dhaka-continues-attempts-to-revise-overpriced-bids-1764613506>

Govt approves BDT 21.06 Bn projects for 2,364 flats for July victims, families

- The government on Monday approved two separate projects worth BDT 21.06 Bn to construct 2,364 residential flats for injured protesters who can no longer work and for the families of those killed during last year's anti-discrimination student movement. The approved projects -- including revisions to five ongoing schemes -- will require fresh investment of BDT 153.84 Bn. Of this, BDT 94.52 Bn will come from the government, said the planning adviser. "Another BDT 56.10 Bn is expected from external lenders and development partners as loans and grants, while the remaining BDT 3.79 Bn will be financed by the implementing agencies," he added.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-approves-tk-2106b-projects-for-2364-flats-for-july-victims-families-1764613830>

Passengers to get exemption for another six months

- The government has decided to extend the Vat exemption facility for Metrorail passengers by six months more, until June 30, 2026. The facility is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2025. Roughly, more than 0.45 Mn people commute through the metro rail per day.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/passengers-to-get-exemption-for-another-six-months-1764613957>

Govt to extend 20% power bill rebate facility to fish, livestock, poultry farms

- This important inclusion in the rebate beneficiary list, spearheaded by the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MoFL), aims to drastically reduce production costs and boost profitability in the sector. An inter-ministerial meeting would be held tomorrow (Wednesday) at the finance ministry where representatives from finance, agriculture, fisheries and livestock ministries, Power Division, Power Development Board, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board and energy regulatory commission would participate.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-to-extend-20pc-power-bill-rebate-facility-to-fish-livestock-poultry-farms-1764614196>

Germany to provide EUR 160 Mn for Wasa's Saidabad water treatment plant

- Bangladesh and Germany signed two separate loan agreements for a total of EUR 160 Mn for a project titled "Climate Change Adapted Drinking Water Resources Management Dhaka II (Saidabad WTP Phase III)" at the Economic Relations Division today (1 December). The two countries inked a loan agreement for an additional EUR 70 Mn to the main loan and an amendment agreement to the main loan of EUR 90 Mn, according to a press release.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/germany-provide-eu160m-wasas-saidabad-water-treatment-plant-1299821>

Sector & Industries:**RMG | Factories mostly linked to US market feel strain**

- A survey supported by two international agencies has found jacked-up US tariffs emerging but uneven business impacts on Bangladesh's garment export as factories mostly linked to the American market are already showing signs of strain. High market concentration with exports heavily reliant on the European Union and the United States is also identified with mixed impacts. The survey shows EU exposure offers some relief at a time when factories' concentration on the US market is "already in a strained state".

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/factories-mostly-linked-to-us-market-feel-strain-1764613131>

BANK | No-frill account deposits fall in Jul-Sept 2025

- Total deposits in the No-Frill Accounts (NFAs) designed for underprivileged people stood at BDT 49.84 Bn in the July-September 2025 quarter, down 1.05% from the previous quarter. Rising living costs and volatility in the country's financial sector have contributed to the decline. However, compared with the July-September 2024 quarter, the amount still represents a 9.96% increase.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/no-frill-account-deposits-fall-in-jul-sept-2025-1764613882>

NBFI | Regulatory lapses haunt nine NBFIs as liquidation looms

- The nine non-bank financial institutions (NBFIs) now heading for liquidation under a Bangladesh Bank initiative were in good financial health even a decade ago. Their condition has gradually eroded over the years due to irregularities, loan scams and mismanagement under the watch of regulatory bodies during the previous regime.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/regulatory-lapses-haunt-nine-nbfis-as-liquidation-looms-1764609467>

Stocks:**GPHISPAT | GPH Ispat declares 5% cash dividend despite losses**

- GPH Ispat has declared a 5% cash dividend for FY25 despite the company suffering a loss of BDT 247 Mn for the year, owing to costlier raw materials and higher finance expenses. The company explained that due to higher cost of goods sold arising from increased raw material and production costs, along with a significant rise in finance expenses driven by elevated borrowings and interest rates, leading to the losses.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock/bangladesh/gph-ispat-declares-5pc-cash-dividend-despite-losses>

RINGSHINE | Ring Shine Textiles faces auction of factory, plots over unpaid dues

- The Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (Bepza) has moved to auction the factory and long-term leasehold plots of Ring Shine Textiles Limited at the Dhaka Export Processing Zone (DEPZ), after the troubled company repeatedly failed to clear its long-standing dues amounting to USD18 Mn. The auction covers the 30-year lease of plots 231–236, on which Ring Shine built and operated one of its main manufacturing facilities

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ring-shine-textiles-faces-auction-factory-plots-over-unpaid-dues-1299731>

ACI | ACI logs BDT 1.46 Bn loss in Shwapno, foods, plastics, healthcare in Q1

- Advanced Chemical Industries (ACI PLC) reported a 6% year-on-year decline in pre-tax loss, which fell to BDT 1.45 Bn during the July–September quarter of FY26, primarily from its retail chain Shwapno, as well as foods, consumer plastics, and healthcare businesses.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/aci-logs-tk146cr-loss-shwapno-foods-plastics-healthcare-q1-1299736>

GOLDENSON | Golden Son sinks into losses amid falling revenue, rising costs

- After taking a hit in the last fiscal year, Golden Son, a listed firm in the engineering sector, incurred significant losses in the first quarter of the current fiscal year as its sales and cost of sales increased. Over the past four fiscal years, the company incurred a cumulative loss of BDT 810 Mn, including the highest loss of BDT 310 Mn in FY25

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/golden-son-sinks-losses-amid-falling-revenue-rising-costs-1299766>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 59.34	(USD 12.09)	-16.93%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 63.15	(USD 11.24)	-15.11%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,219.12	USD 1,610.64	61.75%
DSEX	4,914.72	-301.72	-5.78%
S&P 500	6,812.63	905.69	15.33%
FTSE 100	9,702.53	1,581.52	19.47%
BSE SENSEX	85,641.90	7,441.97	9.52%
KSE-100	168,062.19	52,803.19	45.81%
CSEALL	22,022.06	6,077.45	38.12%

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