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**Macro:****WB offers budget support credit for smooth transition**

- Bangladesh expects USD 300-500 Mn in fresh budget support from the World Bank as the WB has offered the credit to assist with its smooth graduation from the least-developed country (LDC) status in November next year, officials say. A senior Finance Division official has told The Financial Express the government expects USD 300-500 Mn in budget support for the LDC graduation-linked transition and related programmes of the commerce ministry.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/wb-offers-budget-support-credit-for-smooth-transition-1759169334>

**Remittance inflow close to USD 2.5 Bn till Sep 28**

- The inflow of remittances witnessed a significant year-on-year growth of 16.7% through the first 28 days of September, reports UNB. According to the latest data, issued by the Bangladesh Bank (BB) Monday, the total inflow of remittances reached USD 2.47 Bn during this period.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/remittance-inflow-close-to-25b-till-sep-28-1759169434>

**BD, ADB ink USD 331.7 Mn deals**

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Bangladesh government on Monday signed agreements on funding worth USD 269.1 Mn in loans and USD 62.6 Mn in grants to support water supply, power distribution, and displaced people from Myanmar.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bd-adb-ink-3317m-deals-1759169680>

**NBR expands duty-free import benefits to diversify exports**

- In a move to facilitate export diversification, the National Board of Revenue (NBR) has opened the door for partial exporters in eight sectors to import raw materials duty-free against a bank guarantee. In a notification last week, the revenue authority said the facility would cover processed foods, light engineering, furniture, electronics, plastic products and leather goods.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/nbr-expands-duty-free-import-benefits-diversify-exports-3998021>

**Govt's nonbank borrowing bloats as G-Sec becomes hotcakes**

- Government's domestic borrowing from nonbanking sources bloats as institutional and individual depositors pour their money into secure government securities (G-Sec) failing to find better alternative investment choices as yet, sources say. Normally, major portion of government's domestic debts to meet budgetary shortfall comes from the banking sector while the remaining smaller quantum is generated from the nonbanking sources.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govts-nonbank-borrowing-bloats-as-g-sec-becomes-hotcakes-1759169483>

**Sector & Industries:****BANK | BB directs banks to report all foreign loans to Credit Information Bureau; sets fines for concealment**

- The Bangladesh Bank has directed all scheduled banks to report all foreign loan information to the Credit Information Bureau (CIB), aiming to prevent private institutions from taking new loans locally while failing to repay existing foreign loans.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-directs-banks-report-all-foreign-loans-credit-information-bureau-sets-fines>

**INSURANCE | Dummy agents used to siphon money from non-life insurance companies**

- The country's non-life insurance sector is facing scrutiny following a National Security Intelligence (NSI) report, which exposed a widespread practice where senior officials allegedly use family members and close associates as "dummy agents" to illicitly siphon money from their companies.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dummy-agents-used-siphon-money-non-life-insurance-companies-1249341>

**Stocks:****DULAMIA COTTON | Dulamia Cotton Spinning Mills to pay 3% dividend despite suspended operations**

- Dulamia Cotton Spinning Mills has declared a 3% cash dividend for general shareholders for FY25, its first payout in 16 years, despite the company remaining out of operation since 2018. According to a filing on Monday with the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), the company made a profit of BDT 1.9 Mn in FY25, recovering from a loss of BDT 6.6 Mn the year before.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dulamia-cotton-spinning-mills-to-pay-3pc-dividend-despite-suspended-operations-1759166824>

**JAMUNABANK | Jamuna Bank to issue bond to raise BDT 8 Bn**

- Jamuna Bank has received regulatory approval to raise BDT 8 Bn through the issuance of bonds under private placement. The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission, in a letter dated September 28, approved the bond, according to a disclosure posted on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) website today.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/jamuna-bank-issue-bond-raise-tk-800-crore-3997626>

**BANGAS | Bangas recommends 3% cash dividend for FY25**

- Bangas Limited, one of the country's renowned biscuit makers, has recommended a 3% cash dividend for its general shareholders for the financial year ended 30 June 2025. The dividend excludes sponsors and directors of the company.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bangas-recommends-3-cash-dividend-fy25-1248511>

**KAY&QUE | Kay and Que gets BTRC nod as A2P SMS aggregator, shares hit two-year high**

- Kay and Que (Bangladesh) Limited has secured the much-coveted Application to Person (A2P) SMS Aggregator Enlistment Certificate from the Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC), aiming to diversify its business portfolio.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/kay-and-que-gets-btrc-nod-a2p-sms-aggregator-shares-hit-two-year-high-1249281>

**ISLAMIBANK | Islami Bank dismisses 200 employees, makes 4,771 OSD over competency test boycott**

- Islami Bank Bangladesh has dismissed 200 employees and made 4,771 others "officer on special duty" (OSD) after they refused to take part in a newly introduced "special competency assessment" exam. According to senior officials, the bank initially placed 4,971 employees on OSD status for skipping the test. From that group, 200 were later dismissed on allegations of violating service rules.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/islami-bank-dismisses-200-employees-makes-4771-osd-over-competency-test-boycott>

**Stock and Commodities\***

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 63.08	(USD 8.35)	-11.69%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 67.58	(USD 6.81)	-9.15%
Gold Spot*	USD 3,846.52	USD 1,238.04	47.46%
DSEX	5,389.78	173.33	3.32%
S&P 500	6,661.21	754.27	12.77%
FTSE 100	9,299.84	1,178.83	14.52%
BSE SENSEX	80,364.94	2,165.01	2.77%
KSE-100	163,847.69	48,588.69	42.16%
CSEALL	21,676.30	5,731.69	35.95%

**Exchange Rates****1 US Dollar = 121.72 BDT****1 GBP = 163.49 BDT****1 Euro = 142.70 BDT****1 INR = 1.37 BDT**

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