

Weekly Market Update

Capital Market Overview

The market closed in red this week. The benchmark index DSEX (-1.66%) lost -97.83 points and closed the week at 5,786.08 points. The blue-chip index DS30 (-1.38%) lost -30.22 points and stood at 2,162.52 points. The Shariah-based index DSES (-1.79%) lost -21.03 points and stood at 1,156.12 points. The large cap index CDSET (-0.89%) lost -10.29 points and closed at 1,143.70 points. DSEX, DS30, DSES and CDSET showed YTD returns of +18.92%, +16.67%, +15.53%, +13.82%, respectively.

Total Turnover During The Week (DSE): BDT 45.3 billion (USD 370 million)

Average Daily Turnover Value (ADTV): BDT 9.1 billion (Δ% Week: -9.2%)

Market P/E: 13.7x

Daily Index Movement during the Week

The market performed five sessions this week. It started negative on Sunday (-0.41%), and remained negative throughout Monday (-0.78%), Tuesday (-0.70%), Wednesday (-0.07%), and ended the week positively on Thursday (+0.28%).

Sectoral Performance

Most of the financial sectors registered negative performance this week. Mutual Fund experienced the highest loss of -4.55% followed by Life Insurance (-2.64%), NBFi (-2.37%), General Insurance (-0.94%), and Bank (+0.99%).

All the non-financial (large-cap) sectors registered negative performance this week. Food & Allied experienced the highest loss of 2.25% followed by Engineering (-2.13%), Fuel & Power (-1.64%), Telecommunication (-1.30%), and Pharmaceutical (-0.83%).

Macroeconomic Arena

Nearly 43% of annual LNG subsidy spent in just 1.5 months. Import of RMG raw materials drops 4pc in FY26. Bangladesh's cotton import forecast slashed for MY27. MSME registration launched with tax, remittance benefits. BDT 50 Bn fund for cottage-micro entrepreneurs launched. BANK | NPLs in 5 state-owned banks up by BDT 63.04 Bn in H1 2026. Gas allocation keeps public-private KAFCO running as state-owned CUFL stays shut. BANK | Govt sets five-year plan to clean up banking sector. BANK | Islamic banks face deposit drain. BANK | Islamic banks' remittance receipts fall 27% in June. BANK | BB allows release of USD 3.2 Mn loan for SS Power-I. BANK | Borrowing by banks squeezes for lack of investment scope.

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Stock Market Arena

EXCHANGE | DSE names 138 marginable stocks as new lending rules take effect. EXCHANGE | BSEC reconstitutes probe committee on Robi Axiata, extends deadline by 90 working days. BRACBANK | BRAC Bank unveils ESG and Sustainability Report 2025. NCCBANK | NCC Bank to expand Shariah-compliant footprint with 20 new branches. ONEBANKPLC | One Bank gets new Addl DMD. UTTARAFIN | Uttara Finance board dissolved again. EXCHANGE | Eight mutual funds skip dividends. EXCHANGE | Dhaka bourse buried in years of files amid regulatory probe. REGULATOR | Revised margin rules gazetted to broaden credit access, limit risks. NCCBANK | NCC Bank moves to empower board to remove chairman by vote. UCB | UCB to exit National Housing by offloading entire stake. SIPLC | Sena Insurance shares soar 161% despite no undisclosed PSI. DESCO | Desco's BDT 2.50 Bn caught in six troubled banks.

DSEX ended in Red (-1.66%) in the week

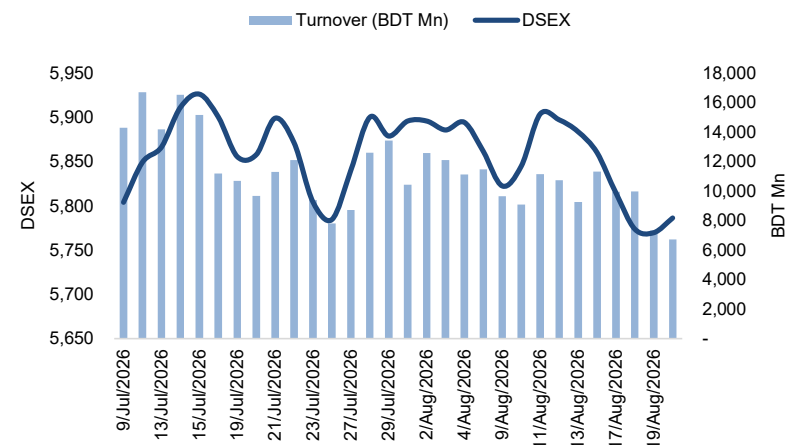
Table 1: Index

Index	Closing*	Opening*	Δ(Pts)	30-Dec-2025	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
DSEX	5,786.08	5,883.91	-97.83	4,865.34	-1.66%	18.92%
DS30	2,162.52	2,192.73	-30.22	1,853.54	-1.38%	16.67%
DSES	1,156.12	1,177.15	-21.03	1,000.72	-1.79%	15.53%
CDSET	1,143.70	1,153.99	-10.29	1,004.81	-0.89%	13.82%

Table 2: Market Statistics

		This Week	Last Week	% Change
Mcap	Mn BDT	7,038,123	7,076,155	-0.54%
	Mn USD	57,459	57,770	
Turnover	Mn BDT	45,286	49,878	-9.21%
	Mn USD	370	407	
Average Daily	Mn BDT	9,057	9,976	-9.21%
	Mn USD	74	81	
Volume	Mn Shares	1,503	1,737	-13.47%

Figure 1: DSEX & Turnover in Last Four Weeks



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Table 3: Top Ten Gainers

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
ENVOYTEX	65.2	56.3	+15.8%	10,936	705.0	7.9x	1.1x
ALARABANK	18.5	16.0	+15.6%	21,306	24.3	23.7x	0.8x
RELIANC1	13.3	11.7	+13.7%	805	186.4	NM	1.1x
ARAMIT	227.0	203.5	+11.5%	1,362	85.4	NM	1.8x
RUNNERAUTO	52.2	46.9	+11.3%	5,927	657.6	39.0x	0.8x
KTL	12.7	11.6	+9.5%	1,477	120.2	NM	0.8x
POPULARLIF	63.0	58.2	+8.2%	3,807	216.4	NM	NM
SAMORITA	115.9	107.1	+8.2%	2,527	887.4	NM	2.4x
SALAMCRST	13.5	12.5	+8.0%	1,328	44.8	71.1x	0.7x
GLOBALINS	48.3	44.8	+7.8%	1,959	453.8	23.0x	3.0x

Table 4: Top Ten Losers

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
SHARPIND	34.1	43.8	-22.1%	10,348	979.7	NM	4.3x
DOMINAGE	61.7	78.2	-21.1%	6,330	1,196.1	NM	3.6x
MLDYEING	14.4	17.0	-15.3%	3,347	765.0	NM	1.2x
FARCHEM	18.9	22.3	-15.2%	2,894	393.2	NM	0.6x
CAPMBDBLMF	8.8	10.3	-14.6%	441	95.0	NM	1.0x
QUEENSOUTH	16.3	18.5	-11.9%	2,487	173.1	NM	1.0x
BDTHAI	16.0	18.1	-11.6%	2,044	130.2	NM	0.6x
TOSRIFA	20.6	23.3	-11.6%	1,400	41.3	38.1x	0.7x
ICBAMCL2ND	7.8	8.8	-11.4%	390	10.7	NM	0.8x
AAMRATECH	20.3	22.8	-11.0%	1,314	28.6	NM	1.1x

Table 5: Top Ten Most Traded Shares

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
IPDC	33.8	33.0	+2.4%	14,520	1,398.3	28.4x	2.0x
DOMINAGE	61.7	78.2	-21.1%	6,330	1,196.1	NM	3.6x
BEXIMCO	24.9	27.1	-8.1%	23,487	1,109.7	NM	0.3x
MALEKSPIN	49.3	49.4	-0.2%	9,544	1,092.4	8.7x	0.8x
SHARPIND	34.1	43.8	-22.1%	10,348	979.7	NM	4.3x
SAMORITA	115.9	107.1	+8.2%	2,527	887.4	NM	2.4x
SAIHAMTEX	31.3	29.1	+7.6%	2,835	823.9	50.5x	0.7x
MLDYEING	14.4	17.0	-15.3%	3,347	765.0	NM	1.2x
ENVOYTEX	65.2	56.3	+15.8%	10,936	705.0	7.9x	1.1x
SAPORTL	62.1	61.4	+1.1%	14,709	703.3	29.3x	1.8x

Table 6: Most Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
IPDC	33.8	+87.8%	14,520	28.4x	2.0x
SHASHADNIM	28.4	+82.1%	4,005	43.0x	0.7x
BARKAPOW	10.9	+62.7%	2,567	11.7x	0.5x
PIONEERINS	70.9	+57.4%	7,281	13.5x	1.5x
BSRMSTEEL	94.1	+49.1%	35,377	5.8x	1.0x
CITYBANK	31.1	+46.6%	54,407	3.6x	0.8x
POWERGRID	38.5	+44.2%	35,182	8.7x	0.3x
BXPHERMA	146.5	+43.5%	65,355	7.6x	1.1x
RUNNERAUTO	52.2	+42.2%	5,927	39.0x	0.8x
CROWNCEMNT	64.9	+41.1%	9,638	24.3x	1.0x

Table 7: Sector Indices

Sector Name	Week Close*	Week Open*	Year Open*	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
Bank	1,597.5	1,581.9	1,367.20	+0.99%	+16.85%
NBFI	1,167.8	1,196.2	860.23	-2.37%	+35.76%
Mutual Fund	666.3	698.1	478.27	-4.55%	+39.32%
General Insurance	4,622.9	4,666.9	2,879.11	-0.94%	+60.57%
Life Insurance	1,839.3	1,889.2	1,691.42	-2.64%	+8.74%
Telecommunication	4,542.1	4,601.7	4,431.51	-1.30%	+2.50%
Pharmaceutical	3,173.6	3,200.2	2,764.29	-0.83%	+14.81%
Fuel & Power	1,148.4	1,167.6	996.11	-1.64%	+15.29%
Cement	2,088.7	2,160.7	1,739.18	-3.33%	+20.10%
Services & Real Estate	1,212.0	1,223.8	949.82	-0.97%	+27.60%
Engineering	2,703.4	2,762.1	2,290.78	-2.13%	+18.01%
Food & Allied	12,982.0	13,280.3	12,942.72	-2.25%	+0.30%
IT	2,577.4	2,648.1	1,703.25	-2.67%	+51.32%
Textile	1,484.5	1,536.9	1,060.76	-3.41%	+39.95%
Paper & Printing	4,745.9	4,970.1	4,485.61	-4.51%	+5.80%
Tannery	2,188.2	2,241.8	1,806.05	-2.39%	+21.16%
Jute	13,662.7	14,322.6	11,805.57	-4.61%	+15.73%
Ceramics	487.0	504.9	370.10	-3.54%	+31.60%
Miscellaneous	2,604.2	2,661.6	3,881.56	-2.16%	-32.91%

Table 8: Sector Trading Matrix

Sector Name	Daily Avg this Week	Daily Avg last Week	% Change	% of Total Turnover	PE	PB
Bank	618.8	717.7	-13.79%	+7.14%	7.5x	0.8x
NBFI	418.1	278.7	+50.05%	+4.82%	NM	1.2x
Mutual Fund	308.6	399.3	-22.72%	+3.56%	NM	0.6x
General Insurance	1,553.1	1,751.4	-11.32%	+17.92%	19.2x	1.8x
Life Insurance	193.5	218.8	-11.54%	+2.23%	NM	NM
Telecommunication	69.6	111.1	-37.30%	+0.80%	10.9x	3.8x
Pharmaceutical	808.7	871.4	-7.20%	+9.33%	10.9x	1.5x
Fuel & Power	309.0	396.9	-22.16%	+3.56%	9.8x	0.6x
Cement	81.6	69.5	+17.40%	+0.94%	22.8x	2.2x
Services & Real Estate	387.9	273.2	+41.96%	+4.47%	26.8x	0.5x
Engineering	833.7	721.7	+15.52%	+9.62%	17.1x	0.9x
Food & Allied	283.9	346.2	-17.99%	+3.28%	34.7x	3.5x
IT	221.3	279.3	-20.77%	+2.55%	44.4x	2.1x
Textile	1,841.2	2,118.3	-13.08%	+21.24%	NM	1.0x
Paper & Printing	91.8	145.6	-36.99%	+1.06%	NM	1.5x
Tannery	68.7	103.7	-33.81%	+0.79%	NM	1.6x
Jute	35.3	62.1	-43.22%	+0.41%	NM	1.9x
Ceramics	57.8	95.3	-39.37%	+0.67%	NM	1.4x
Miscellaneous	485.1	613.6	-20.96%	+5.60%	40.5x	1.1x

Table 9: Least Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
ISLAMIBANK	28.8	-12.2%	46,368	NM	0.8x
SINGERBD	74.6	-11.7%	7,438	NM	NM
TRUSTBANK	15.1	-8.4%	15,761	5.0x	0.5x
LINDEBD	701.8	-6.4%	10,680	30.4x	3.3x
UNILEVERCL	2,031.4	-5.6%	39,154	64.0x	24.0x
GP	247.5	-4.0%	334,199	9.5x	6.0x
RECKITTEN	3,308.5	-3.4%	15,633	18.9x	41.8x
BATBC	241.5	-2.9%	130,410	22.4x	2.3x
HEIDELCEM	216.8	+0.3%	12,250	NM	3.1x
ACI	196.0	+0.7%	17,215	NM	2.3x

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Important News: Business, Economy & Sector

Nearly 43% of annual LNG subsidy spent in just 1.5 months

- Nearly 43% of the subsidy allocated for LNG import in the budget has already been disbursed within one and a half months of this fiscal year as the fuel price spikes amid global unrest.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/nearly-43pc-of-annual-lng-subsidy-spent-in-just-15-months-1787162649>

Import of RMG raw materials drops 4pc in FY26

- The country's imports of raw materials for the RMG sector witnessed a decline of 4% in FY26, reaching USD 17.7 Bn FY26, which was USD 18.44 Bn in FY25.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/apparel/310453/import-of-rmg-raw-materials-drops-4pc-in-fy26>

Bangladesh's cotton import forecast slashed for MY27

- The United States Department of Agriculture slashed its projection of Bangladesh's cotton imports to 7.4 Mn bales for the ongoing 2026-27 marketing year, down from 7.6 Mn bales projected in its June and July forecast.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/apparel/310454/bangladeshs-cotton-import-forecast-slashed-for-my27>

MSME registration launched with tax, remittance benefits

- SME Foundation on Tuesday launched micro, SME registration to help entrepreneurs avail tax exemptions on annual turnover and remit money abroad for business purposes.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/310455/msme-registration-launched-with-tax-remittance-benefits>

BDT 50 Bn fund for cottage-micro entrepreneurs launched

- Bangladesh Bank and PKSF launched a BDT 50 Bn special fund to expand financing for cottage and micro enterprises. PKSF will develop business clusters nationwide, targeting 200,000 jobs in the micro enterprise sector.

<https://tob.news/tk5000cr-fund-for-cottage-micro-entrepreneurs-launched/>

BANK | NPLs in 5 state-owned banks up by BDT 63.04 Bn in H1 2026

- Severe balance-sheet distress across Bangladesh's five major state-owned commercial banks (SoCBs) continues to deepen as non-performing loans (NPLs) surged by BDT 63.04 Bn in H1'26, reaching a staggering BDT 1.51 Tn (USD 12.8+ Bn) at the end of June.

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/business/banks/417857/npls-in-5-state-owned-banks-up-by-tk6-304cr-in-h1>

Gas allocation keeps public-private KAFCO running as state-owned CUFL stays shut

- State-owned Chittagong Urea Fertiliser Ltd (CUFL) has remained shut for five and a half months, highlighting the contrasting impact of the ongoing gas shortage on two fertiliser plants in the same Chattogram area.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/energy/gas-allocation-keeps-public-private-kafoo-running-state-owned-cufl-stays-shut>

BANK | Govt sets five-year plan to clean up banking sector

- The government has set out a five-year plan to clean up the banking sector, with a focus on recovering bad loans, tightening supervision, improving governance and restoring depositor confidence.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-sets-five-year-plan-clean-banking-sector-4251926>

BANK | Islamic banks face deposit drain

- While the overall Islamic banking system saw total deposits slip by 2.68% - equivalent to BDT 130 Bn - to BDT 4.67 Tn in June compared to May, total investments climbed by 2.06%, reaching BDT 6.12 Tn.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/islamic-banks-face-deposit-drain-1787162975>

BANK | Islamic banks' remittance receipts fall 27% in June

- Remittances channelled through Islamic banks fell 27% year-on-year to USD 448 Mn in June 2026.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/islamic-banks-remittance-receipts-fall-27-june-4251911>

BANK | BB allows release of USD 3.2 Mn loan for SS Power-I

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has granted permission to release the remaining portion of an approved foreign-currency syndicated loan for power-generation company SS Power-I Limited, reports UNB.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bb-allows-release-of-32-million-loan-for-ss-power-i-1787163051>

BANK | Borrowing by banks squeezes for lack of investment scope

- Commercial banks' borrowing appetite dampens amid a squeeze in credit demand amid persisting economic sluggishness, leaving affluent lenders wallowing in un-invested liquidity buildups, statistics show.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/borrowing-by-banks-squeezes-for-lack-of-investment-scope-1787162780>

TELECOM | BTRC moves to lower voice call floor price

- The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission is working to reduce the floor price of voice calls in the interest of consumers, as customers raised concerns over mobile call charges at a public hearing on Wednesday. The commission currently sets the minimum voice call tariff at BDT 0.45 per minute, while the maximum tariff is BDT 2.0.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/310460/btrc-moves-to-lower-voice-call-floor-price>

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/mobile-users-complain-high-call-rates-poor-network-4251936>

TELECOM | Govt plans cheaper smartphones to bring feature-phone users online

- The government is working to bring the price of smartphones down to around BDT 6,000-7,000 to help millions of feature-phone users switch to data-enabled devices and participate more fully in the digital economy.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/310464/govt-plans-cheaper-smartphones-to-bring-feature-phone-users-online>

ENERGY | Excelerate terminal stops gas supply

- Regasified LNG supply from Excelerate Energy's terminal in Cox's Bazar's Moheshkhali has stopped amid a cargo shortage.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/excelerate-terminal-stops-gas-supply-1787162868>

ENERGY | Merchant power risks losing price appeal under proposed charges

- Big factories and industries hoping to save money by buying electricity directly from private power plants, instead of the national grid, may find those savings shrink sharply if a new set of proposed fees are implemented, according to an analysis of the proposals.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/merchant-power-risks-losing-price-appeal-under-proposed-charges-4251941>

ENERGY | Govt to buy one cargo LNG from spot market

- The Cabinet Committee on Government Purchase on Wednesday approved a proposal for buying one cargo of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the spot market at a price of USD 23.93 per MMBtu.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-to-buy-one-cargo-ing-from-spot-market-1787163103>

PHARMA | IFC, Popular Pharmaceuticals to boost Bangladesh's healthcare supply chains, create jobs

- IFC has committed a USD 30.7 Mn senior secured loan to Popular Pharmaceuticals PLC (Popular), a leading manufacturer of generic medicines. The financing will support Popular's US dollar working capital needs, primarily for the import of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API), critical inputs for local medicine production.

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/business/417853/ifc-popular-pharmaceuticals-to-boost-bangladesh%E2%80%99s>

Four key macroeconomic indicators being rebased

- Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics or BBS has planned to rebase the Consumer Price Index (CPI), Producer Price Index (PPI), Wage Rate Index (WRI) and Index of Industrial Production (IIP) under its Statistical Capacity Enhancement and Modernisation Project.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/four-key-macroeconomic-indicators-being-rebased-1787075586>

Bangladesh's gross reserves hit USD 32.43Bn

- The country received USD 4.74 Bn in remittances between 1 July and 17 August, 2026, compared with USD 3.90 Bn during the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year. Reserves stood at USD 32.43 Bn under the International Monetary Fund's Balance of Payments Manual (BPM6) methodology.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladeshs-gross-reserves-hit-3724-billion-1518801>

Two MRT proposals face tough scrutiny over massive cost hike

- The Planning Commission (PC) has started scrutinising the revised proposals for the MRT-1 and MRT-5 (north) projects strictly as their costs have more than doubled, officials say.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/two-mrt-proposals-face-tough-scrutiny-over-massive-cost-hike-1787075481>

BDT 2.9Tn investment by 2060 outlined

- Bangladesh Railways (BR) under the proposed plan seeks to invest BDT 2,928.59 Bn by 2060. The first plan had an outlay of BDT 2,339.44 Bn. However, it was revised later and its size stood at BDT 4,500 Bn.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/tk-29t-investment-by-2060-outlined-1787076384>

Indian businesses express investment interests in consumer goods

- The visiting Indian business delegation has expressed interest in investing in the fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) sector, proposing the establishment of a state-of-the-art integrated manufacturing plant near Dhaka to produce items such as soaps, home care insecticides, and fragrances.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/indian-businesses-express-investment-interests-consumer-goods-1518851>

Economy shows fragile gains

- Economic growth was weak, inflation had remained high for years, the banking sector was badly damaged, and private investment was at a historic low.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/economy-shows-fragile-gains-4251186>

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/macroeconomic-stability-returns-recovery-yet-gain-pace-1517971>

BANK | 38 banks seek BDT 280 Bn in stimulus funds for struggling businesses

- Thirty-eight banks have signed agreements with Bangladesh Bank, seeking over BDT 280 Bn under its stimulus scheme, a senior central bank official told The Business Standard on Sunday.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/38-banks-seek-tk28000cr-stimulus-funds-struggling-businesses-1517961>

RMG | Over 900 textile mills shut as gas supply shows no sign of improvement

- Despite recent government assurances, gas supplies to industrial areas have not improved so far, forcing more than half of the country's textile mills to shut completely, industry insiders said.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/energy/over-900-textile-mills-shut-gas-supply-shows-no-sign-improvement-1518861>

BANK | BB directs banks to open accounts for foreign workers

- Foreign nationals working in Bangladesh under the 'A3' visa category, as well as other Employment Visa categories, can receive their salaries and allowances through bank accounts.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-directs-banks-open-accounts-foreign-workers-1518806>

BANK | Defaulted loans of Janata, Agrani rise

- Defaulted loans at state-owned Janata Bank and Agrani Bank continued to rise in June, reflecting weak recovery efforts and mounting repayment problems of large corporate borrowers.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/310339/defaulted-loans-of-janata-agrani-rise>

TELECOM | Telecoms turn to AI to save energy, other costs

- AI is moving deeper into the day-to-day management of Bangladesh's telecom infrastructure, helping operators and tower companies cut energy use and operating costs.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/telecoms-turn-ai-save-energy-other-costs-4251156>

TELECOM | Banglalink seeks BTRC's green light for satellite mobile service

- Banglalink has sought regulatory approval to commercially launch its Direct-to-Cell (D2C) service in Bangladesh after completing a proof-of-concept (PoC) phase, with a recent field test showing that ordinary LTE-enabled mobile phones can connect to satellite networks in areas without terrestrial mobile coverage.

<https://tob.news/banglalink-seeks-btrcs-green-light-for-satellite-mobile-service/>

Bangladesh to adopt Apr-Mar financial year from 2028-29

- Bangladesh will shift its financial year from July-June to April-March from FY2028-29, with FY2027-28 shortened to nine months during the transition. The new cycle would allow infrastructure development to be completed before the monsoon..

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bangladesh-to-adopt-apr-mar-financial-year-from-2028-29-1786989438>

Bangladesh to receive USD 1.0 Bn in soft loan

- Bangladesh's development pursuit may get a boost as the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) chief will come here early next month with the confirmation offer of USD 1.0 Bn assistance in the first go.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bangladesh-to-receive-10b-in-soft-loan-1786989627>

Govt to implement new pay scale this yr: Khosru

- Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury Monday said the government will implement the new pay scale for public servants this year.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-to-implement-new-pay-scale-this-yr-khosru-1786990424>

Over 90% of economic units have no TIN

- BBS data show the vast majority of the country's cottage, micro and small businesses have no TIN as government seeks higher revenue.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/over-90-economic-units-have-no-tin-4250251>

Real estate output rises, but developers face hurdles

- Real-estate activities in Bangladesh have expanded steadily despite industry concerns over high taxes, regulatory restrictions and weak investment conditions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/real-estate-output-rises-but-developers-face-hurdles-1786989674>

NBR removes tax ambiguity for commercial solar importers

- Commercial importers of solar equipment will now be entitled to concessional tax treatment similar to that available to manufacturers, following a clarification issued by NBR.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/nbr-removes-tax-ambiguity-for-commercial-solar-importers-1786990372>

UAE expats plan to invest BDT 10 Bn in Bangladesh

- Bangladeshi expatriate businesspeople and entrepreneurs based in the United Arab Emirates are planning to invest around BDT 10 Bn in Bangladesh, mainly in technology-driven banking, renewable energy, food processing, tourism, education and healthcare.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/uae-expats-plan-invest-tk-1000cr-bangladesh-4250231>

Economic zones planned on land of 3 closed state-owned mills

- The government has taken an initiative to establish economic zones on the land of the closed Latif Bawany Jute Mills Limited and Karim Jute Mills Limited in Demra, Dhaka, and Kushtia Sugar Mills Limited.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/economic-zones-planned-land-3-closed-state-owned-mills-1517956>

BANK | Agri credit disbursement target up 53.85% to BDT 600 Bn for FY'27

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has set a target of disbursing agricultural and rural loans worth BDT 600 Bn during the fiscal year (FY) 2026-27 with an aim to give an impetus to rural economy and farm productivity.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/agri-credit-disbursement-target-up-5385pc-to-tk-600b-for-fy27-1786989545>

BANK | Lend to productive sectors, augment AD ratio

- Sonali Bank has been advised to enhance advance-deposit ratio by lending to productive sectors instead of keeping funds idle as the bank's AD proportion is said to be at the lowest level among the state-owned banks.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/lend-to-productive-sectors-augment-ad-ratio-1786989786>

BANK | Shariah-based institutions will get 50% of any sukuk: BB

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) will allocate half of any sukuk issue to Shariah-based banks, financial institutions and insurance companies. A separate 30% will be allocated to Islamic branches and windows of conventional banks, while individual investors will get a dedicated 10% quota.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/shariah-based-institutions-will-get-50-any-sukuk-bb-4250226>

BANK | RAKUB raises deposits, reduces losses

- Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank has made tremendous progress in various financial indicators during the last one year. The bank's deposits have increased by BDT 8.56 Bn while net loss has decreased by BDT 1.71 Bn.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/310226/rakub-raises-deposits-reduces-losses>

ENERGY | Govt to buy two more LNG cargoes for Aug-Sept delivery

- The government will purchase two more cargoes of liquefied natural gas (LNG) for delivery in August and September at a combined cost of BDT 18.51 Bn, including taxes and duties.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-to-buy-two-more-lng-cargoes-for-aug-sept-delivery-1786990526>

LEATHER | BDT 11,900 min wage proposed for leather, footwear workers

- The Minimum Wage Board has proposed a minimum monthly wage of BDT 11,900 for entry-level workers in Bangladesh's leather goods and footwear factories.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/tk-11900-min-wage-proposed-for-leather-footwear-workers-1786990488>

TELCO | Cirkle replaces Airtel in Bangladesh's mobile market

- Robi Axiata has replaced its Airtel brand in Bangladesh with 'Cirkle', marking the end of the brand's 16-year presence in the country's mobile market.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/cirkle-replaces-airtel-in-bangladeshs-mobile-market-1786986125>

TELCO | Service, data issues dominate grievances

- Poor service quality and mobile internet problems have dominated subscriber grievances against Bangladesh's mobile phone operators, with 66,705 complaints lodged against Grameenphone, Robi, Banglalink and Teletalk between January 2021 and June 2026. Robi received the highest number of complaints, with 24,874, followed by Grameenphone with 21,526, Teletalk with 11,594 and Banglalink with 8,711.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/310205/service-data-issues-dominate-grievances>

Exchange rate down as dollar demand ebbs

- According to the treasury officials of commercial banks, bankers are now buying the USD from the remitters at rates in-between BDT 122.50 and BDT 122.60 apiece. The exchange rate against remittance was hovering from BDT 123.60 and BDT 123.70 each dollar couple of weeks earlier.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/exchange-rate-down-as-dollar-demand-ebbs-1786904486>

Govt plans single VAT rate for small firms, says finance minister

- The government is preparing to bring small businesses under a single VAT rate as part of efforts to widen the tax net, Finance and Planning Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said on Sunday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-plans-single-vat-rate-for-small-firms-says-finance-minister-1786904749>

Govt launches BDT 4 Bn fund to boost startup investment

- The government launched a fund with an initial size of BDT 4 Bn crore to boost investment in the country's startup ecosystem, attract local and international capital, and strengthen the venture capital industry.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-launches-tk-400cr-fund-boost-startup-investment-4249356>

PM to meet NBR officials to discuss strategy for huge revenue target

- Prime Minister Tarique Rahman is set to meet officials of the National Board of Revenue, in a bid to learn about the revenue authority's field-level operations and processes.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/nbr/pm-meet-nbr-officials-discuss-strategy-huge-revenue-target-1516926>

Businesses seek simpler trade licence process, lower fees

- Business leaders have called for a simpler, faster and hassle-free process for issuing and renewing trade licences, saying recent increases in trade licence and signboard fees are placing additional financial pressure on businesses.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/businesses-seek-simpler-trade-licence-process-lower-fees-1516906>

CCCI seeks air, cargo reforms to develop Ctg as logistics hub

- Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) has proposed to develop the port city into a regional logistics hub, seeking reforms to expand international air connectivity, cargo handling and transit operations.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/ccci-seeks-air-cargo-reforms-to-develop-ctg-as-logistics-hub-1786905078>

Capital machinery faces longest port delays

- Capital-machinery imports take an average 13.3 days to clear Chattogram port, with over half the time spent before customs receives the Bill of Entry (B/E).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/capital-machinery-faces-longest-port-delays-1786905133>

Thailand eyes FTA, shipping link to cut transit to 3-5 days

- Thailand is pushing to revive free trade agreement talks with Bangladesh while working on a direct maritime route that could cut shipping time from around 2 weeks to 3 to 5 days.

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/bangladesh/417598/thailand-eyes-fta-shipping-link-to-cut-transit-to>

6,000 micro economic zones proposed to boost local economies

- Private entity Architecture Research and Development (ARD) has proposed establishing 6,000 micro-economic zones across Bangladesh to boost local production, entrepreneurship and employment while strengthening food security and climate resilience.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/6000-micro-economic-zones-proposed-to-boost-local-economies-1786905203>

BANK | SAMMILITO ISLAMI BANK INTENSIFIES INVESTMENT RECOVERY

- Sammilito Islami Bank PLC has formed a dedicated 'Collection & Recovery War-Room' to accelerate and strengthen its investments collection and recovery activities and make them more effective and results-oriented.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/sammilito-islami-bank-intensifies-investment-recovery-1786898622>

BANK | BB relaxes cash margin requirement for fruit imports

- Bangladesh Bank has relaxed the cash margin requirement for opening LCs for fruit imports, replacing the existing 100% cash margin requirement with a margin determined by banks based on their relationship with customers.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/bb-relaxes-cash-margin-requirement-for-fruit-imports>

ENERGY | Power, gas crisis to take 2 years to resolve: finance minister

- Finance minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury on Sunday said that the country's ongoing electricity and gas crisis would take at least two years to resolve.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/power-energy/310044/power-gas-crisis-to-take-2-years-to-resolve-finance-minister>

BANK | Excess liquidity in banks pushes treasury bill yields below 9%

- The yield on 91-day treasury bills fell below 9% to 8.93%, down from 9.19% a week earlier.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/excess-liquidity-banks-pushes-treasury-bill-yields-below-9-1516916>

Gross forex reserves rise to USD 37.11 Bn

- Bangladesh's foreign exchange reserves stood at USD 37.11 Bn (gross), according to the latest data released by Bangladesh Bank (BB) on Thursday.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/gross-forex-reserves-rise-to-3711b>

RMG | Garment industry running out of time to go green: CPD

- Bangladesh's garment industry must accelerate its shift to cleaner energy as rising power costs, dwindling gas supplies and tougher climate rules increasingly threaten the sector's competitiveness, according to a new study by the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD).

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/garment-industry-running-out-time-go-green-cpd-4249371>

ENERGY | BB approves LC opening for SS Power through Rupali Bank

- Bangladesh Bank has approved the opening of Letters of Credit (LCs) for SS Power through Rupali Bank with a 100% cash margin until 31 December 2027. SS Power can now open LCs to import coal, subject to certain conditions. 70% of SS Power One Limited is owned by Bangladesh's S Alam Group, while the remaining 30% is owned by a Chinese company.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-approves-lc-opening-ss-power-through-rupali-bank-1516836>

ENERGY | LNG cargo delivery poses major hurdle

- The American Excelerate Energy announced on Sunday its readiness to regasify, but LNG-delivery problems cast shadows over resumption of its gas-supply operation.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/lng-cargo-delivery-poses-major-hurdle-1786904695>

Expanding services sector grows 11.5% in FY26

- The services sector, which accounts for more than half of Bangladesh's gross domestic product (GDP), continued to expand in the fiscal year 2025-26, with its size rising to BDT 32.06 Tn from BDT 28.75 Tn a year earlier.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/expanding-services-sector-grows-115pc-in-fy26>

Bangladesh Bank streamlines foreign exchange rules for imports

- Bangladesh Bank has issued a consolidated circular incorporating the latest foreign exchange regulations governing import transactions.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bangladesh-bank-streamlines-foreign-exchange-rules-for-imports>

Adamjee EPZ sets sight on USD 1.5 Bn export mark

- Adamjee Export Processing Zone (EPZ) exported goods worth USD 1.179 Bn in FY2025-26 according to the Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA).

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/adamjee-epz-sets-sight-on-15b-export-mark>

Dollar rates ease in banks, stays costly outside as remittance surges

- The dollar has continued to lose ground against the taka as remittance inflows rise and import spending trends lower. On Thursday, the dollar traded as high as BDT 123.41, as low as BDT 123.05, with an average rate of BDT 123.20. A week earlier, the average was BDT 123.81.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/dollar-rates-ease-in-banks>

Some relief for businesses as total gas supply improves

- Overall natural-gas output increased from early hours of Saturday with resumption of operation of both the FSRUs in a major boost to industries, power plants, households and other gas-guzzling consumers across Bangladesh.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/some-relief-for-businesses-as-total-gas-supply-improves>

Bangladesh more a target than user of anti-dumping: BFTI study

- Bangladesh has barely used its three trade remedy tools - anti-dumping, countervailing duty and safeguard measures - against unfair imports even as it remains a frequent target of such measures abroad, a Bangladesh Foreign Trade Institute (BFTI) study has found.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-more-target-user-anti-dumping-bfti-study-4248516>

PAYMENT | BB set to introduce person-to-person money transfer through Bangla QR

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) is set to introduce person-to-person (P2P) money transfers through Bangla QR codes, expanding the digital-payment facility beyond commercial transactions. Under the new system, each individual will have a Bangla QR code that can be scanned to transfer money instantly between bank accounts and mobile financial service (MFS) accounts.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/bb-set-to-introduce-person-to-person-money-transfer-through-bangla-qr>

PAYMENT | Credit card transactions surge 43.24% YoY to BDT 44.61 Bn

- Credit card usage across Bangladesh experienced sharp growth in June FY26, with overall transaction volume surging 43.24% year-on-year to BDT 44.61 Bn, up from BDT 31.14 Bn in June FY25. Parallely, total credit card outstanding debt reached BDT 134.44 Bn by May FY26, representing a 50.41% expansion over three years.

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/business/banks/417378/credit-card-transactions-surge-43.24%25-yoy-to>

PAYMENT | Bangladeshi cardholders spend over BDT 10 Bn abroad in June: Bangladesh Bank

- The central bank report shows that Bangladeshi citizens spent 4.29 times more abroad using cards than foreign nationals spent using cards in Bangladesh during the same month.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bangladeshi-cardholders-spend-over-tk-10b-abroad-in-june-bangladesh-bank>

TELECOM | BTRC seeks in-depth study on industry to optimise opportunities

- Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) Chairman has called for an in-depth study on Bangladesh's mobile industry to optimise business opportunities alongside digital transformation and support informed decisions on spectrum pricing and services.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/btrc-seeks-in-depth-study-on-industry-to-optimise-opportunities>

TELECOM | Adviser urges operators not to be tense over spectrum renewal

- Prime minister's Adviser on Posts, Telecommunications and IT has urged mobile operators not to be tensed over the upcoming spectrum renewal, saying the renewal involves only around 20% of the total spectrum currently assigned to four operators. He said 406 MHz of spectrum is currently assigned to four operators, while 79.4 MHz is due for renewal in 2026, with the next renewal beginning in November 2026 and continuing through 2034.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/310000/adviser-urges-operators-not-to-be-tense-over-spectrum-renewal>

TELECOM | BTRC allocates 10 MHz spectrum to Teletalk

- The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) has formally approved the allocation of 10 megahertz of spectrum in the 700 MHz band to state-owned Teletalk Bangladesh, with the spectrum valued at BDT 23.70 Bn for a 15-year term.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/btrc-allocates-10-mhz-spectrum-to-teletalk>

BANK | 17 banks to give BDT 410 Bn to revive sick businesses

- Some 17 banks have agreed to provide BDT 410 Bn to revive sick companies under Bangladesh Bank's BDT 600 Bn stimulus package. The banks are Sonali, Agrani, Rupali, BRAC, City, Pubali, Eastern, Jamuna, Dutch-Bangla, Mutual Trust, Uttara, Prime, Bank Asia, NCC, Mercantile, Trust and Southeast Bank.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/economy/310092/17-banks-to-give-tk-41000cr-to-revive-sick-businesses>

RMG | Garment exporters seek facility to pay July–August gas, electricity bills in installments

- The extension of time and installment facility would enable them to sustain production and export operations while safeguarding workers' employment.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/garment-exporters-seek-facility-pay-july-august-gas-electricity-bills-installments>

PORT | Four new ICDs being built around seaport

- Four new private inland container depots (ICDs) with a combined capacity of about 22,000 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs), are set to begin operation within a 20-km radius of the prime port, according to industry officials.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/four-new-icds-being-built-around-seaport>

ENERGY | Rooppur power unlikely to join grid in August

- Despite earlier assurances, the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant is unlikely to begin trial power generation this month, with uncertainty also looming over whether 300MW of electricity can be supplied to the national grid in September.

<https://tob.news/rooppur-power-unlikely-to-join-grid-in-august/>

NBFI | BB moves to liquidate five NBFIs with BDT 20.0 Bn from govt fund

- The central bank plans to seek BDT 20.0 Bn from the government's budget allocation to liquidate five non-bank financial institutions (NBFIs) that are already declared non-viable. The central bank recently brought four NBFIs under the Bank Resolution framework, declaring them non-viable. People's Leasing and Financial Services, placed under liquidation in 2019, is also expected to be included in the current plan, subject to a court decision.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-moves-liquidate-five-nbfis-tk2000cr-govt-fund-1514701>

INSURANCE | IDRA plans new rules for CEO vacancies over 6 months

- The Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority is going to introduce new rules where if a company fails to appoint a regular CEO within six months of a vacancy, the regulator will send two candidates details to the company from the regulatory pool. The board of directors must then propose one of the two candidates to the regulator for appointment.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/309855/idra-plans-new-rules-for-ceo-vacancies-over-6-months>

ENERGY | BPC seeks BDT 76 Bn as subsidy for April-May

- Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) has sought some BDT 76 Bn as subsidy since the state entity had incurred as much loss selling fuel oils at "lower than the sourcing price" during April and May this year.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/bpc-seeks-tk-76b-as-subsidy-for-april-may>

ENERGY | Chinese solar firms eye bigger role in Bangladesh's renewable goals

- Chinese solar technology companies are seeking to expand their role in Bangladesh's renewable energy transition, as the country prepares for a major increase in solar generation and local businesses also move to tap into the emerging market.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/power-energy/309858/chinese-solar-firms-eye-bigger-role-in-bangladeshs-renewable-goals>

RMG | Bangladesh apparel exports to EU fall 16.4% in H1 2026

- Bangladesh's apparel exports to the European Union fell 16.43% year-on-year to EUR 8.64 Bn in the first half of 2026, amid a broader contraction in the bloc's apparel import market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/bangladeshs-apparel-exports-eu-fall-1643-y-o-y-h1-1515876>

Important News: Stocks

EXCHANGE | DSE names 138 marginable stocks as new lending rules take effect

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has issued a fresh list of 138 marginable securities, providing a clear roadmap for investors and brokerage houses under the newly implemented regulatory framework.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-names-138-marginable-stocks-new-lending-rules-take-effect-1519841>

EXCHANGE | BSEC reconstitutes probe committee on Robi Axiata, extends deadline by 90 working days

- Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has reconstituted its enquiry committee investigating Robi Axiata PLC and extended the deadline for submitting the probe report by another 90 working days.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-reconstitutes-probe-committee-robi-axiata-extends-deadline-90-working-days>

BRACBANK | BRAC Bank unveils ESG and Sustainability Report 2025

- BRAC Bank has recently published its ESG and Sustainability Report 2025, presenting the bank's sustainability performance and impact across people, planet and prosperity under the theme 'Driving Innovation, Advancing Inclusion and Creating Impact,' said a press release.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/310462/brac-bank-unveils-esg-and-sustainability-report-2025>

NCCBANK | NCC Bank to expand Shariah-compliant footprint with 20 new branches

- NCC Bank is set to scale up its Shariah-compliant operations after receiving in-principle approval from Bangladesh Bank to convert 20 of its conventional branches into full-fledged Islamic banking units.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ncc-bank-expand-shariah-compliant-footprint-20-new-branches-1519846>

ONEBANKPLC | One Bank gets new Addl DMD

- ONE Bank PLC has recently appointed AYM Mostafa as Additional Deputy Managing Director (ADMD).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/one-bank-gets-new-addl-dmd-1787071282>

UTTARAFIN | Uttara Finance board dissolved again

- The Bangladesh Bank (BB) has once again dissolved the board of Uttara Finance and Investments, just six months after reconstituting it, and appointed an administrator to the crisis-hit non-bank financial institution (NBFI).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/uttara-finance-board-dissolved-again-1787159254>

EXCHANGE | Eight mutual funds skip dividends

- Eight listed closed-end mutual funds did not declare any dividends for their unitholders for the year ended June 30, 2026, despite the Dhaka Stock Exchange's main index rising 18% during the fiscal year.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/eight-mutual-funds-skip-dividends-4251171>

EXCHANGE | Dhaka bourse buried in years of files amid regulatory probe

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) launched the investigation last week in efforts to find out if the top brass of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) had influenced the termination.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dhaka-bourse-buried-in-years-of-files-amid-regulatory-probe-1787071213>

REGULATOR | Revised margin rules gazetted to broaden credit access, limit risks

- Shares of listed companies in the 'A' and 'B' categories with price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio up to 40 will qualify for margin loans, while the revised rules also eased the thresholds for margin calls and forced sales.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/revised-margin-rules-gazetted-to-broaden-credit-access-limit-risks-1787071182>

NCCBANK | NCC Bank moves to empower board to remove chairman by vote

- National Credit and Commerce Bank PLC (NCC Bank) is set to restructure its board leadership by introducing a tenure-based rotational system for appointing its chairman and allowing the board to remove a sitting chairman through a vote.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/ncc-bank-moves-empower-board-remove-chairman-vote-1518776>

UCB | UCB to exit National Housing by offloading entire stake

- United Commercial Bank PLC (UCB), a corporate sponsor of National Housing Finance PLC, has announced its decision to exit the non-bank financial institution by offloading its entire remaining holding of 0.563 Mn shares.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ucb-exit-national-housing-offloading-entire-stake-1518756>

SIPLC | Sena Insurance shares soar 161% despite no undisclosed PSI

- Sena Insurance shares jumped nearly 161% in four and a half months despite the company telling the DSE it has no undisclosed price-sensitive information behind the surge.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sena-insurance-shares-soar-161-despite-no-undisclosed-psi-1518746>

DESCO | Desco's BDT 2.50 Bn caught in six troubled banks

- The state-owned electricity distributor Dhaka Electricity Supply Company (Desco) is seeking Bangladesh Bank's intervention to recover around BDT 2.50 Bn of its revenue and employees' provident and gratuity funds trapped in six financially distressed banks.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/descos-tk250cr-caught-six-troubled-banks-1518866>

CAPMBDBLMF | CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund skips dividend despite BDT 67.7 Mn profit in FY26

- CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund 01 reported a net profit of BDT 67.7 Mn for the fiscal year ended 30 June 2026 but decided not to declare any dividend for the year. Earlier, the trustee called a Special General Meeting (SGM) of its unitholders to determine the future of the scheme.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/capm-bdbl-mutual-fund-skips-dividend-despite-tk677cr-profit-fy26-1518771>

EXCHANGE | Dhaka stocks sink to 3-week low on worries over margin rules, energy crisis

- Stocks suffered a sharp sell-off on Monday, extending their losing streak to fourth consecutive session, due to growing concerns over the country's macroeconomic outlook amid an ongoing energy crisis.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dhaka-stocks-sink-to-3-week-low-on-worries-over-margin-rules-energy-crisis-1786986047>

STANBANKL | Jabedul Alam new DMD of Standard Islami Bank

- Jabedul Alam has joined Standard Islami Bank as deputy managing director & chief transformation officer.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/jabedul-alam-new-dmd-of-standard-islami-bank-1786986143>

MERCANBANK | BB, MERCANTILE BANK SIGN AGRI-DEVELOPMENT REFINANCING DEAL

- Mercantile Bank has formally entered into a participatory agreement with Bangladesh Bank (BB) under a BDT 100 Bn refinancing scheme.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bb-mercantile-bank-sign-agri-development-refinancing-deal-1786986173>

RECKITTBN | BSEC extends Reckitt's foreign shareholders dividend payout

- Amid delays in tax clearance, the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has extended the deadline until September for Reckitt Benckiser (Bangladesh) to disburse dividends to its foreign shareholders.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-extends-reckitts-foreign-shareholders-dividend-payout-1517871>

ICB | Why ICB Asset funds skip dividends despite earnings rebound in FY26

- ICB Asset Management Company has skipped dividend payouts for seven of its managed mutual funds for the third consecutive year despite a significant earnings rebound in FY26. ICB officials said losses accumulated in previous years had left the retained earnings of the other funds negative, limiting their ability to distribute dividends despite improved earnings in FY26.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/why-icb-asset-funds-skip-dividends-despite-earnings-rebound-fy26-1517891>

CAPMBDBLMF | CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund-01 unitholders to vote on open-end conversion or redemption

- The trustee of CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund-01 has called a special general meeting of its unitholders to consider converting the scheme from a closed-end to an open-end mutual fund or proceeding with its redemption.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/capm-bdbl-mutual-fund-01-unitholders-vote-open-end-conversion-or-redemption-1517876>

SONALILIFE | Sonali Life settles BDT 4,051.5 Mn claims in 2025

- Sonali Life Insurance settled 55,300 insurance claims worth BDT 4,051.5 Mn in 2025, while declaring a 15% cash dividend to its shareholders for the year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sonali-life-settles-tk405cr-claims-2025-1517881>

REGULATION | Haji Ahmad Brothers Securities penalised over client fund shortfall

- The securities regulator has fined Haji Ahmad Brothers Securities BDT 1 Mn for breaching securities rules by creating deficits in the clients' funds.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/haji-ahmad-brothers-securities-penalised-over-client-fund-shortfall-1786898455>

EXCHANGE | Foreign investment in stocks keeps falling

- Foreign investors continue to pull out of the local stock market due to a mix of nearly half a dozen reasons, including policy and regulatory uncertainty, weak corporate earnings and banking-sector problems, currency risks and overall negative sentiment.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/foreign-investment-stocks-keeps-falling-4249376>

UTTARAFIN | 4 Uttara Finance directors, including chairman, MD, resign together

- Four directors of Uttara Finance, including its chairman and managing director (MD), have resigned simultaneously. They were reportedly forced to resign because of unethical pressure from a particular group.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/310123/4-uttara-finance-directors-including-chairman-md-resign-together>

MIDASFIN | Midas Financing needs liquidity support to restore client confidence, says auditor

- Struggling non-bank financial institution Midas Financing PLC is facing a severe liquidity crunch to meet depositors' requirements, highlighting an urgent need for adequate liquidity arrangements to restore customer confidence, according to its statutory auditor.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/midas-financing-needs-liquidity-support-restore-client-confidence-says-auditor-1516846>

SHARP | Sharp Industries maintains 60% yarn production capacity amid power constraints

- Despite the ongoing gas and electricity supply challenges affecting industrial production across the country, listed textile company Sharp Industries PLC continues to maintain operations and produce yarn, utilising around 60% of its daily production capacity.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sharp-industries-maintains-60-yarn-production-capacity-amid-power-constraints-1516861>

PREMIERLEA | Audit reveals BDT 2870 Mn provision shortfall, zero FDR coverage at Premier Leasing

- Premier Leasing & Finance Limited, a publicly listed non-bank financial institution (NBFI), is facing severe non-compliance issues and significant asset-quality risks after its auditor revealed a provision shortfall of BDT 2870 Mn along with total non-provisioning against its fixed deposit receipts (FDRs).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/audit-reveals-tk287cr-provision-shortfall-zero-fdr-coverage-premier-leasing-1516841>

RUPALIBANK, BEXIMCO | Rupali Bank to auction Beximco assets to recover BDT 9.94 Bn NPL

- Rupali Bank PLC has issued a public notice to auction mortgaged assets belonging to Bangladesh Export Import Company (Beximco) Ltd to recover a defaulted loan of about BDT 9.94 Bn.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/310087/rupali-bank-to-auction-beximco-assets-to-recover-tk-994cr-npl>

EXCHANGE | MSCI to end 3-year special treatment of Bangladesh in November

- Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) will end its more than three-year special treatment of Bangladesh's capital market in the November 2026 Index Review, paving the way for the resumption of normal index reviews and corporate-event implementation for Bangladeshi securities

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/morgan-stanley-ends-3-year-pause-bangladesh-index-reviews-resume-nov-1514621>

EXCHANGE | City Group to raise BDT 15 Bn from market for working capital, debt repayment

- City Group plans to raise around BDT 15 Bn from the secondary market at a time when it is heavily burdened with bank loans, straining its capacity to continue operations.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/city-group-to-raise-tk-15b-from-market-for-working-capital-debt-repayment>

EXCHANGE | CSE fully ready to launch commodity exchange, says MD

- The Chittagong Stock Exchange (CSE) is fully prepared to launch a commodity exchange, with preparations across the market ecosystem in their final stage, the bourse's Managing Director has said.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/cse-fully-ready-launch-commodity-exchange-says-md-4248566>

EXCHANGE | DSE persists with costly OMS for small brokers

- The Dhaka bourse continues to incur an annual cost of USD 1.1 Mn to maintain its Order Management System (OMS) even though over 70% market turnover is executed by large houses using their own OMS.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/dse-persists-with-costly-oms-for-small-brokers-1786810810>

REGULATOR | BSEC ponders removing duplication in its education function

- The securities regulator considers closing its academic wing - Bangladesh Academy for Securities Markets (BASM) – in order to streamline its education and training functions.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bsec-ponders-removing-duplication-in-its-education-function>

PHOENIXFIN | Phoenix Finance's depository participant registration suspended for failure to renew documents

- The Central Depository Bangladesh Limited (CDBL) has suspended the depository participant registration certificate of Phoenix Finance and Investments Limited for failing to submit the required documents for renewal on time.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/phoenix-finance-depository-participant-registration-suspended-failure-renew>

REGULATOR | BSEC eases mutual fund custodian rules for foreign banks

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has resolved a technical bottleneck that had been hampering foreign-owned banks serving as custodians for mutual funds.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-eases-mutual-fund-custodian-rules-foreign-banks-1514581>

REGULATOR | BSEC rejects Brain Station 23's bid to convert SME listing into IPO

- Brain Station 23 PLC cannot convert its existing application to list on the SME Board through a Qualified Investor Offer (QIO) into an initial public offering (IPO) application for the main market, the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has said.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-rejects-brain-station-23s-bid-convert-sme-listing-ipo-1514591>

IDLC | IDLC brings instant FDR opening to bKash app

- IDLC Finance PLC and bKash Limited, two of the country's leading financial service providers, have jointly launched a digital fixed deposit receipt (FDR) service, making it easier for customers to save through fixed-term deposits.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/idlc-brings-instant-fdr-opening-bkash-app-4248571>

CITYBANK | City Bank eyes BDT 30 Bn capital ceiling, plans to expand board

- The board of directors of City Bank PLC has proposed increasing the bank's authorised capital by 50% to BDT 30 Bn, creating room to strengthen its paid-up capital amid new Bangladesh Bank dividend requirements.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/city-bank-eyes-tk3000cr-capital-ceiling-plans-expand-board-1515896>

CITYBANK | IDCOL, City Bank to provide BDT 2,590 Mn financing to Pearl Global

- Infrastructure Development Company Limited and City Bank PLC marked the closing of a BDT 2,590 Mn term loan facility extended to Norp Knit Industries Limited (Unit 3) and Prudent Fashions Limited (Unit 2), two concerns under Pearl Global's Bangladesh operations.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/309760/idcol-city-bank-to-provide-tk-2590m-financing-to-pearl-global>

DHAKABANK | Dhaka Bank to raise BDT 3 Bn via perpetual bond to bridge capital gap

- Dhaka Bank PLC has decided to raise BDT 3 Bn through the issuance of a contingent-convertible perpetual bond to strengthen its capital base and ensure compliance with international Basel-III standards.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-bank-raise-tk300cr-perpetual-bond-bridge-capital-gap-1515921>

BSC | BSC plans to buy 2 tankers worth BDT 14.58 Bn

- The Planning Commission is set to place a BDT 14.58 Bn project to purchase two product oil tankers for the Bangladesh Shipping Corporation. Each tanker will have a capacity of between 40,000 and 55,000 deadweight tonnes and will carry refined petroleum products and other permissible liquid cargoes.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/mis/309768/bsc-plans-to-buy-2-tankers-worth-tk-1458-crore>

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