

Weekly Market Update

Capital Market Overview

The market closed in green this week. The benchmark index DSEX (+0.11%) gained 6.41 points and closed the week at 5,662.09 points. The blue-chip index DS30 (+0.27%) gained 5.85 points and stood at 2,140.73 points. The Shariah-based index DSES (+0.48%) gained 5.47 points and stood at 1,138.01 points. The large cap index CDSET (-0.14%) lost -1.55 points and closed at 1,125.61 points. DSEX, DS30, DSES and CDSET showed YTD returns of +16.38%, +15.49%, +13.72%, +12.02%, respectively.

Total Turnover During The Week (DSE): BDT 30.4 billion (USD 248 million)

Average Daily Turnover Value (ADTV): BDT 6.1 billion (Δ% Week: +6.5%)

Market P/E: 13.3x

Daily Index Movement during the Week

The market performed five sessions this week. It started negatively on Sunday (-0.73%), and remained negative on Monday (-0.29%). But it turned positive on Tuesday (+0.70%), Wednesday (+0.41%), and ended the week positively on Thursday (+0.03%).

Sectoral Performance

Most of the financial sectors posted positive performance this week. General Insurance booked the highest gain of 2.65% followed by Life Insurance (+0.90%), Mutual Fund (+0.51%), NBF1 (+0.01%), and Bank (-0.87%).

Non-financial (large-cap) sectors posted mixed performance this week. Pharmaceutical booked the highest gain of 0.34% followed by Engineering (+0.15%). Telecommunication experienced the highest loss of 1.07% followed by Fuel & Power (-0.57%), and Food & Allied (-0.39%).

Macroeconomic Arena

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Stock Market Arena

BRACBANK | BRAC Bank gets USD 50 Mn IFC facility to expand MSME financing. DESCO | BSEC approves BDT 459 Mn preference shares for Desco against govt equity. BSCPLC | BSCPLC denies looming bandwidth crisis flagged by private cable investors. SAIHAMTEX | Saiham Textile stock up 103% in 25 sessions as one unit sits idle. EXCHANGE | BSEC plans direct listing for firms with BDT 5.0 Bn turnover. EXCHANGE | Dhaka bourse to launch derivatives trading by Jan 2028. EXCHANGE | BSEC eases dividend remittance rules for foreign investors. EXCHANGE | Bourses can approve 'Z-category' share transfers in default, death cases. EXCHANGE | BSEC to roll out direct listing framework in a month: Chief Masud Khan. EXCHANGE | BSEC promises T+1 settlement, AI surveillance, fundamental listing. GP | Al-Amin appointed CTO of GP. MERCANBANK | Mercantile Bank sponsor to gift 19.5 Mn shares worth BDT 136.5 Mn to three children. UCB | UCB takes new initiative to implement IFRS 9.

DSEX ended in Green (+0.11%) in the week

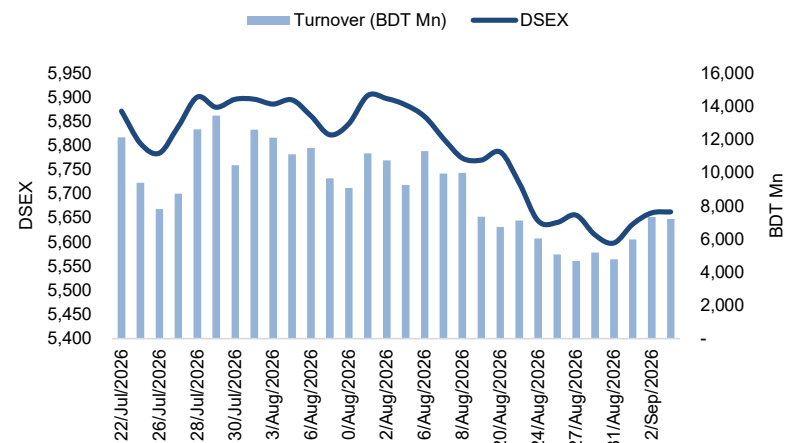
Table 1: Index

Index	Closing*	Opening*	Δ(Pts)	30-Dec-2025	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
DSEX	5,662.09	5,655.68	+6.41	4,865.34	0.11%	16.38%
DS30	2,140.73	2,134.88	+5.85	1,853.54	0.27%	15.49%
DSES	1,138.01	1,132.54	+5.47	1,000.72	0.48%	13.72%
CDSET	1,125.61	1,127.16	-1.55	1,004.81	-0.14%	12.02%

Table 2: Market Statistics

		This Week	Last Week	% Change
Mcap	Mn BDT	6,984,978	6,973,182	0.17%
	Mn USD	56,812	56,716	
Turnover	Mn BDT	30,441	22,869	33.11%
	Mn USD	248	186	
Average Daily	Mn BDT	6,088	5,717	6.49%
	Mn USD	50	47	
Volume	Mn Shares	1,064	844	25.95%

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
SAIHAMCOT	24.0	20.7	+15.9%	3,571	1,169.8	26.4x	0.6x
NAHEEACP	35.9	32.3	+11.1%	2,454	119.8	NM	3.0x
BNICL	117.5	106.3	+10.5%	5,199	110.6	20.4x	3.4x
SAFKOSPINN	22.1	20.0	+10.5%	663	29.3	92.1x	NM
NITOLINS	52.6	48.0	+9.6%	2,221	248.2	25.9x	1.6x
BDTHAI	17.0	15.6	+9.0%	2,172	103.0	NM	0.6x
PF1STMF	14.8	13.6	+8.8%	888	130.3	NM	1.7x
ICBSONALI1	6.3	5.8	+8.6%	630	44.2	NM	0.7x
MALEKSPIN	50.6	46.6	+8.6%	9,796	1,208.3	8.9x	0.8x
ICICL	38.0	35.3	+7.6%	1,925	87.7	22.2x	2.1x

Table 4: Top Ten Losers

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
SHARPIND	21.6	27.2	-20.6%	6,555	1,302.7	NM	2.7x
LOVELLO	48.2	57.2	-15.7%	4,732	586.1	15.8x	3.6x
APEXSPINN	296.5	343.0	-13.6%	2,491	121.9	94.1x	3.5x
RELIANCE1	12.3	13.9	-11.5%	744	158.5	NM	1.1x
TUNGHAI	4.2	4.7	-10.6%	448	12.9	NM	NM
MEGHNA PET	71.8	80.0	-10.3%	862	35.4	NM	1.0x
GRAMEENS2	12.0	13.3	-9.8%	2,189	23.3	NM	0.7x
MEGCONMILK	34.6	38.3	-9.7%	554	24.2	NM	NM
NURANI	3.2	3.5	-8.6%	392	6.4	NM	0.3x
ISNLTD	52.1	56.9	-8.4%	569	20.0	NM	24.3x

Table 5: Top Ten Most Traded Shares

Company Name	Close*	Open*	Δ%	Mcap**	Turnover**	PE	PB
SAIHAMTEX	34.4	33.0	+4.2%	3,115	1,313.8	55.5x	0.8x
SHARPIND	21.6	27.2	-20.6%	6,555	1,302.7	NM	2.7x
MALEKSPIN	50.6	46.6	+8.6%	9,796	1,208.3	8.9x	0.8x
SAIHAMCOT	24.0	20.7	+15.9%	3,571	1,169.8	26.4x	0.6x
IPDC	32.0	31.4	+1.9%	13,747	877.9	26.9x	1.9x
BXPHERMA	153.2	145.0	+5.7%	68,344	776.7	7.9x	1.1x
PTL	74.8	69.9	+7.0%	13,398	717.1	11.8x	1.6x
LOVELLO	48.2	57.2	-15.7%	4,732	586.1	15.8x	3.6x
FEKDIL	23.1	23.2	-0.4%	5,053	562.8	NM	1.2x
ARGONDENIM	23.1	21.7	+6.5%	3,208	468.8	20.1x	0.9x

Table 6: Most Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
SHASHADNIM	28.0	+79.5%	3,949	42.4x	0.7x
IPDC	32.0	+77.8%	13,747	26.9x	1.9x
BARKAPOW	10.4	+55.2%	2,449	11.2x	0.4x
PIONEERINS	68.1	+51.2%	6,993	13.0x	1.4x
BXPHERMA	153.2	+50.0%	68,344	7.9x	1.1x
POWERGRID	39.2	+46.8%	35,821	8.8x	0.3x
BSRMSTEEL	91.9	+45.6%	34,550	5.7x	0.9x
CITYBANK	30.1	+41.9%	52,657	3.5x	0.8x
CROWNCEMNT	62.6	+36.1%	9,296	23.4x	1.0x
BSRMLTD	99.0	+31.8%	29,560	4.5x	0.6x

Table 7: Sector Indices

Sector Name	Week Close*	Week Open*	Year Open*	Δ% Week	Δ% YTD
Bank	1,557.4	1,571.1	1,367.20	-0.87%	+13.91%
NBFI	1,122.3	1,122.2	860.23	+0.01%	+30.46%
Mutual Fund	638.8	635.6	478.27	+0.51%	+33.57%
General Insurance	4,522.9	4,405.9	2,879.11	+2.65%	+57.09%
Life Insurance	1,787.1	1,771.1	1,691.42	+0.90%	+5.65%
Telecommunication	4,442.7	4,490.9	4,431.51	-1.07%	+0.25%
Pharmaceutical	3,137.8	3,127.2	2,764.29	+0.34%	+13.51%
Fuel & Power	1,110.8	1,117.2	996.11	-0.57%	+11.51%
Cement	2,032.3	2,025.6	1,739.18	+0.33%	+16.85%
Services & Real Estate	1,168.3	1,170.1	949.82	-0.15%	+23.00%
Engineering	2,673.3	2,669.3	2,290.78	+0.15%	+16.70%
Food & Allied	12,705.9	12,755.6	12,942.72	-0.39%	-1.83%
IT	2,503.1	2,474.0	1,703.25	+1.18%	+46.96%
Textile	1,416.3	1,407.9	1,060.76	+0.60%	+33.52%
Paper & Printing	4,615.7	4,612.0	4,485.61	+0.08%	+2.90%
Tannery	2,143.5	2,128.0	1,806.05	+0.73%	+18.69%
Jute	13,404.3	13,222.3	11,805.57	+1.38%	+13.54%
Ceramics	475.9	476.0	370.10	-0.01%	+28.60%
Miscellaneous	2,537.2	2,552.1	3,881.56	-0.58%	-34.64%

Table 8: Sector Trading Matrix

Sector Name	Daily Avg this Week	Daily Avg last Week	% Change	% of Total Turnover	PE	PB
Bank	368.6	493.6	-25.33%	+6.48%	7.3x	0.7x
NBFI	231.0	149.9	+54.09%	+4.06%	NM	1.1x
Mutual Fund	215.7	208.1	+3.66%	+3.79%	NM	0.6x
General Insurance	683.4	623.7	+9.58%	+12.01%	18.8x	1.7x
Life Insurance	78.8	88.7	-11.16%	+1.39%	NM	NM
Telecommunication	43.5	45.8	-5.10%	+0.76%	10.7x	3.7x
Pharmaceutical	650.3	599.5	+8.47%	+11.43%	10.8x	1.5x
Fuel & Power	152.6	196.1	-22.20%	+2.68%	9.4x	0.6x
Cement	59.4	74.5	-20.23%	+1.04%	22.2x	2.2x
Services & Real Estate	169.4	230.1	-26.36%	+2.98%	25.9x	0.5x
Engineering	370.0	509.9	-27.44%	+6.50%	15.8x	0.9x
Food & Allied	256.6	254.5	+0.81%	+4.51%	34.0x	3.4x
IT	147.4	142.3	+3.59%	+2.59%	43.1x	2.0x
Textile	1,911.1	1,391.3	+37.36%	+33.59%	NM	1.0x
Paper & Printing	40.1	46.3	-13.30%	+0.71%	NM	1.4x
Tannery	34.3	38.6	-11.10%	+0.60%	NM	1.5x
Jute	24.5	19.2	+27.31%	+0.43%	NM	1.8x
Ceramics	39.3	72.0	-45.41%	+0.69%	NM	1.4x
Miscellaneous	213.9	282.3	-24.21%	+3.76%	39.5x	1.0x

Table 9: Least Appreciated YTD in BRAC EPL Universe

Company Name	Close*	YTD %Δ	Mcap**	PE	PB
ISLAMIBANK	27.1	-17.4%	43,631	NM	0.8x
SINGERBD	75.3	-10.9%	7,508	NM	NM
TRUSTBANK	14.7	-10.8%	15,344	4.9x	0.5x
LINDEBD	692.7	-7.7%	10,542	30.0x	3.3x
UNILEVERCL	2,002.1	-6.9%	38,589	63.0x	23.7x
GP	244.1	-5.4%	329,608	9.3x	5.9x
BATBC	237.3	-4.5%	128,142	22.0x	2.2x
RECKITT BEN	3,287.1	-4.0%	15,532	18.8x	41.6x
UPGDCL	113.0	-2.7%	65,506	7.0x	1.4x
ACI	189.9	-2.4%	16,679	NM	2.2x

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Important News: Business, Economy & Sector

Cenbank to launch BDT 5.0 Bn financing scheme for young entrepreneurs in upazilas

- Under the proposed structure, funds may be collected from the CSR funds of scheduled banks to establish a separate, regulated grant account or special fund. The funds in this account will be used as performance-linked conditional grants for selected entrepreneurs.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/cenbank-launch-tk500cr-financing-scheme-young-entrepreneurs-upazilas-1532036>

NBR mulls return to monthly VAT payments amid collection slump

- The government is considering reversing its decision to allow businesses to submit VAT returns and pay VAT every three months instead of monthly after VAT collection fell sharply in the first two months of the current fiscal year. VAT collection fell by nearly 20% year-on-year in July and August, according to provisional NBR figures.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/nbr/nbr-mulls-return-monthly-vat-payments-amid-collection-slump-1532051>

BANK | Govt cancels contractual appointments of MDs of Agrani, BASIC, BDBL

- The government has cancelled the remaining contractual tenures of the MDs and CEOs of three state-owned banks - Agrani Bank PLC, BASIC Bank PLC, and BDBL.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/contractual-appointments-of-mds-of-agrani-basic-bdbl-cancelled>

Philippines seeks Bangladesh's cooperation in pharmaceuticals sector

- Philippines Ambassador to Bangladesh has sought Bangladesh's cooperation in pharmaceuticals sector, utilising the capabilities of Bangladesh's pharmaceutical industry. Philippines imports around 67% of its total medicines from Western countries.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/philippines-seeks-bangladeshs-cooperation-pharmaceuticals-sector-1531891>

BANK | Default loan crosses BDT 6.0 Tn again

- Defaulted loans in Bangladesh's banking sector crossed BDT 6.0 Tn again in June as banks struggled to recover bad loans and borrowers failed to service accumulated interest. BB officials said that the increase was largely due to very poor recovery and the accumulation of unpaid interest on existing defaulted loans.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/312094/default-loan-crosses-tk-6-lakh-crore-again>

BANK | 18,000 customers apply to withdraw BDT 13 Bn from Sammilito Islami Bank

- Around 18,000 customers applied to withdraw their deposits from Sammilito Islami Bank on the first day of accepting withdrawal applications on September 1, with the total amount sought reaching BDT 13 Bn.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/18000-customers-apply-withdraw-tk-1300-crore-sammilito-islami-bank-4263136>

BB launches FXM module to automate foreign exchange market operations

- Bangladesh Bank (BB) has launched a Foreign Exchange Market (FXM) Module to automate foreign exchange intervention, interbank transactions and reporting-related activities, aiming to enhance efficiency, transparency and reliability in the country's foreign exchange market. The FXM module has been developed by Bangladesh Bank's own officials to automate activities that were previously carried out manually.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bb-launches-fxm-module-to-automate-foreign-exchange-market-operations>

RMG | HSBC, EU, Sweden push clean energy transition for RMG sector

- HSBC Bangladesh, the Apparel Impact Institute, the Embassy of Sweden and the Delegation of the European Union to Bangladesh have called for faster access to reliable and competitively-priced clean energy to help Bangladesh's readymade garment sector cut emissions and remain competitive in global markets.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-back/312170/hsbc-eu-sweden-push-clean-energy-transition-for-rmg-sector>

STEEL | Steelmakers squeezed by higher costs, weak demand

- Local steelmakers are facing higher production costs just as construction demand remains weak, forcing mills to offer discounts to keep sales moving. The price of 60-grade mild steel (MS) rod, widely used in construction, has risen to BDT 92,500- BDT 94,500 per tonne from BDT 88,000- BDT 92,000 a month earlier, according to the Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB).

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/steelmakers-squeezed-higher-costs-weak-demand-4263416>

STEEL | Mitsui eyes Bangladesh ship recycling sector

- Japan's leading shipping company Mitsui OSK Lines has expressed interest in investing in Bangladesh's ship recycling sector and provide technical cooperation, technology transfer and skills development.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-front/312176/mitsui-eyes-bangladesh-ship-recycling-sector>

ENERGY | Bring idle power plants back on

- Amid the energy crisis that has been dragging on for more than a month, top business leaders have recommended bringing idle power plants run by coal, furnace oil and diesel back into operation as a short-term measure. They say this would reduce some of the pressure on gas supplies used for electricity generation, allowing more gas to be diverted to manufacturing units.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bring-idle-power-plants-back-4263436>

ENERGY | Spot LNG cost almost triples since December

- The government is set to purchase four liquefied natural gas cargoes at high prices, with approval given to buy LNG at up to USD 28.03 per mmBtu.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/printed-news/312201/spot-lng-cost-almost-triples-since-december>

TELECOM | Telcos may need just 10% local ownership

- The government plans to cut the minimum local ownership requirement for mobile operators to 10% from 15%, according to the latest draft of the Telecommunications Network and Licensing Policy. The proposal has received mixed reactions from industry players and experts. Some have welcomed the reduction, while others say the government should remove the local ownership requirement altogether.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/telcos-may-need-just-10-local-ownership-4263401>

ENERGY | Adani cuts power supply to Bangladesh due to coal transport disruption

- Adani Power's Godda plant in India has reduced electricity supply to Bangladesh due to disruptions in coal transportation by rail. Heavy rail congestion and transport restrictions have led to less coal reaching the plant, resulting in lower electricity generation from the plant.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/adani-cuts-power-supply-to-bangladesh-due-to-coal-transport-disruption>

Remittance inflow rises to USD 2.97 Bn in August

- Bangladeshi expatriates sent USD 2.97 Bn in August, up 10.82% from USD 2.68 Bn in the same month last year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-gets-297-billion-remittances-august-1530306>

Merchandise exports bounce back with 13.14% growth

- The country's merchandise exports in August 2026 bounced back with 13.14% growth to fetch USD 4.42 Bn. The overall exports, however, recorded a 5.43% growth fetching USD 9.15 Bn during 2MFY27 over USD 8.68 Bn in the corresponding period of July-August of last fiscal.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/merchandise-exports-bounce-back-with-1314pc-growth>

Pay hike puts fresh pressure on NBR

- The government has put the National Board of Revenue (NBR) under renewed pressure to meet an unprecedented revenue-collection target after announcing a major pay rise for public servants, raising concerns over how the additional spending will be financed. Currently, around 45% of domestic revenue is spent on salaries, pensions and other allowances for government employees, according to a study by the Policy Research Institute (PRI).

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/pay-hike-puts-fresh-pressure-on-nbr>

Cenbank buys USD 50 Mn from banks after 3-month pause amid falling rate

- Bangladesh Bank purchased USD 50 Mn at BDT 122.75 on September 01 after a three-month gap, as ample market liquidity and weak demand pushed the exchange rate lower. Bankers had expected the Bangladesh Bank to intervene when the rate fell two weeks ago.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/cenbank-buys-50m-banks-after-3-month-pause-amid-falling-rate-1530771>

Commodity suppliers warn of shortages amid gas crisis

- The country's leading commodity importers and processors have urged the government to ensure uninterrupted gas and electricity supply to their factories, warning that disruption could trigger serious supply-chain problems nationwide.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/commodity-suppliers-warn-shortages-amid-gas-crisis-4262526>

BANK | Bank bad loans, indebted cos can be auctioned

- Private firms can buy bad loans from banks, seize mortgaged assets and take over indebted companies under legal provisions readied for enactment, sources say about the desperate remedy for deep-rooted ailment. A new central bank-drafted law moves further to propose inviting both domestic and foreign investors to invest capital in the sluggish banking sector to give a shot in its arm.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bank-bad-loans-indebted-cos-can-be-auctioned>

BANK | BB pushes for passage of two banking laws

- Bangladesh Bank Governor has urged the government to take steps to place the proposed amendments to the Money Loan Court Act, 2003, and the proposed Distressed Asset Management Act, 2026, before the ongoing session of parliament.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-pushes-passage-two-banking-laws-4262416>

ENERGY | Rooftop solar users to get BDT 10.50 per unit for surplus power

- The Bangladesh government has announced a special incentive package for rooftop solar power systems with battery storage, offering BDT 10.50 per unit for surplus electricity supplied to the national grid for three years.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/power-energy/311988/rooftop-solar-users-to-get-tk-1050-per-unit-for-surplus-power>

ENERGY | Rooftop solar holds USD 2.0 Bn market potential by 2030

- The country's rooftop solar market holds potential for nearly USD 2.0 Bn in material demand by 2030, while wider household adoption could add up to 21,300 megawatts of capacity and meet as much as 35% of national electricity demand, according to Distributed Renewable Energy Platform.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-inner/312010/rooftop-solar-holds-2b-market-potential-by-2030>

ENERGY | Qatar extends LNG cargo cancellations to Bangladesh, Pakistan and Italy

- QatarEnergy has informed European and Asian buyers that the restriction of shipping through the Strait of Hormuz means that cancellations of liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargo will continue. Among the buyers affected are Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Italy.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/qatar-extends-lng-cargo-cancellations-to-bangladesh-pakistan-and-italy-1788287495>

HEALTHCARE | Govt aims to fulfil WHO vaccine industry requirements by May 2027 to boost investment, export

- Despite nearly a decade of efforts, Bangladesh has yet to secure the World Health Organization's (WHO) Maturity Level 3 (ML-3) certification and has therefore been unable to establish a significant foothold in the global vaccine market. The country now aims to achieve ML-3 before the WHO World Health Assembly in May 2027.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/govt-aims-fulfil-who-vaccine-industry-requirements-may-2027-boost-investment-export>

TELECOM | AI-powered monitoring boosts RMG productivity by up to 25%

- Bangladeshi readymade garment exporters are increasingly installing artificial intelligence-driven Internet of Things (IoT) devices on their production lines to boost productivity and maintain global competitiveness. Factory owners and officials said the systems can increase productivity by providing real-time information on production, machine performance and defects, with some factories reporting gains of up to 25% compared with manual monitoring.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/ai-powered-monitoring-boosts-rmg-productivity-25-1529081>

TELECOM | Mobile balance spending limit jumps 150%

- The monthly spending limit under Direct Operator Billing (DOB), a regulated payment mechanism that allows mobile customers to pay for smartphones and other specified goods and services using their mobile balances, has increased by 150% to BDT 5,000.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/mobile-balance-spending-limit-jumps-150-4262516>

Govt service-holders' basic salary raised by up to 142%

- Basic salaries of government service-holders rise by up to 142% as the government approved the National Pay Scale 2026, retaining the existing 20-grade pay structure.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-service-holders-basic-salary-raised-by-up-to-142pc-1788199593>

Bangladesh to get slight tariff edge over China, Vietnam in US

- Bangladesh will get a small benefit in garment exports to the US as its effective final tariff rate is slightly lower than those faced by China and Vietnam. Bangladesh's effective tariff rate now stands at 25.6%. China faces an effective tariff of 35.6%, Vietnam 28.1%, while India, Indonesia, Pakistan and Cambodia face 25.6%.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-get-slight-tariff-edge-over-china-vietnam-us-4261556>

BB introduces electronic forex market module

- Bangladesh Bank is introducing a comprehensive electronic Foreign Exchange Market Module to automate and streamline foreign exchange intervention auctions, interbank forex transactions and the collection of market data for preparation of the reference exchange rate.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-inner/311888/bb-introduces-electronic-forex-market-module>

BANK | USD 1.0 Bn IsDB loan deal for ERL-2 to be signed on Sept 3

- Bangladesh is scheduled to sign a USD 1.004-Bn loan agreement with the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) on September 3.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/10b-isdb-loan-deal-for-erl-2-to-be-signed-on-sept-3-1788199883>

Govt to launch e-business registration system

- The government has moved to introduce Electronic Business Registration System (eBRS) to eliminate bureaucratic delays, manual dependency, and lengthy procedures.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-to-launch-e-business-registration-system-1788200607>

NBR exempts firms with turnover up to BDT 20 Mn from minimum tax

- The NBR has exempted businesses and companies with annual turnover of up to BDT 20 Mn from minimum turnover tax, easing a tax burden that applies regardless of profitability.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/firms-turnover-tk2cr-exempted-minimum-tax-1529786>

BANK | Agrani Bank posts 54.5% growth in operating profit

- Agrani Bank's operating profit jumped 54.5% year-on-year to BDT 23.34 Bn in 2025, driven by lower operating costs and growth in deposits and remittance business.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/agrani-bank-posts-545-growth-operating-profit-4261496>

Govt's bank borrowing exceeds FY26 target by over BDT 475 Bn

- The government's net borrowing from the banking system stood at BDT 1,655 Bn in FY26, far exceeding its plan for the year amid falling foreign financing and lower-than-expected revenue collection.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govts-bank-borrowing-exceeds-fy26-target-over-tk-47500cr-4261546>

BANK | Default borrowers with over BDT 10 Bn loans to get 15-year rescheduling facility

- Defaulting borrowers with loans exceeding BDT 10 Bn will be eligible for loan rescheduling for up to 15 years, including a two-year grace period, under an extended policy support scheme introduced by the Bangladesh Bank.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/default-borrowers-over-tk1000cr-loans-get-15-year-rescheduling-facility-1529676>

BANK | Govt in search of foreign investor for Sammilito Islami Bank

- The government is now looking for foreign investments into the state-run Shariah-based lender, Sammilito Islami Bank, principally from the affluent Muslim world.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-in-search-of-foreign-investor-for-sammilito-islami-bank-1788199696>

BANK | Sammilito Islami Bank FDR account holders must remain under scheme to receive profits: BB

- Customers of Sammilito Islami Bank can withdraw the full amount held in their fixed deposit at once, but they will not receive any profit. FDR account holders must remain under the Bank Resolution Scheme to receive profits.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/sammilito-islami-banks-depositors-can-withdraw-money-7-september-1529756>

Move underway to make BBS AI-powered and produce precision data

- The Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) is up for a major overhaul to upgrade the country's official statistics system, with its AI powered R&D Cell at the core as a permanent, technology-driven centre of excellence to be developed by 2028.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/move-underway-to-make-bbs-ai-powered-and-produce-precision-data-1788199819>

BANK | BFIU moves to strengthen inter-agency coordination

- The Bangladesh Financial Intelligence Unit (BFIU) has moved to strengthen coordination among customs, tax, law enforcement, and banking agencies to identify and prevent trade-based money laundering (TBML). Representatives from 15 scheduled banks with high trade volumes joined the meeting.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bfiu-moves-to-strengthen-inter-agency-coordination-1788200560>

ENERGY | Fuel prices to stay unchanged in September

- The government has decided to keep retail prices of fuels unchanged in September. Diesel will be sold at BDT 115 per litre, while kerosene will cost BDT 135. Petrol will remain at BDT 140 per litre and octane at BDT 145.

<https://tob.news/fuel-prices-to-stay-unchanged-in-september/>

Imports from India rise despite trade restrictions

- Bangladesh's imports from India continue to rise despite restrictions imposed by both countries on the movement of some goods, while exports to the neighbouring country remained almost unchanged. The country imported goods worth USD 10.96 Bn from India in fiscal year 2025-26, up from USD 9.62 Bn a year earlier.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/imports-india-rise-despite-trade-restrictions-4260636>

ENERGY | BD floats tenders for 4 spot LNG cargoes for Sept-Oct

- Bangladesh has reissued one tender and floated three fresh tenders to purchase four spot LNG cargoes for delivery in September and October, as both of the country's floating storage and regasification units (FSRUs) are now operational.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bd-floats-tenders-for-4-spot-lng-cargoes-for-sept-oct-1788200720>

ENERGY | Govt to enlist solar service providers to expand renewable energy

- The government is moving to enlist eligible service providers on a district and geographical-area basis to expand rooftop solar across the country and create a nationwide renewable energy service network.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/govt-enlist-solar-service-providers-expand-rooftop-renewable-energy-1529696>

TELECOM | Pvt submarine cables can halve internet costs: discussion

- Commercial deployment of Bangladesh's private submarine cable systems could reduce internet bandwidth prices by up to 50% while improving network quality by 25–30%, industry stakeholders said on Monday. Demand is projected to reach 19.09 Tbps in 2027, 27 Tbps in 2028, 54 Tbps in 2030, and 432 Tbps by 2036.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-front/311885/pvt-submarine-cables-can-halve-internet-costs-discussion>

HEALTHCARE | United Healthcare begins regular robotic surgery in Bangladesh

- United Healthcare Services in Dhaka has successfully performed robotic surgeries on two patients, marking the start of regular robotic surgery services in Bangladesh.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/health/united-healthcare-begins-regular-robotic-surgery-bangladesh-1529881>

Malaysia to hire 200,000 Bangladeshi workers in six months

- Malaysia will hire about 200,000 workers from Bangladesh in the next six months, State Minister for LGRD and Cooperatives has said on Sunday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/malaysia-to-hire-200000-bangladeshi-workers-in-six-months-1788112652>

ENERGY | BPC panel against fuel imports by pvt sector

- Allowing private companies to directly import and market refined petroleum products could lead to revenue losses, artificial shortages, hoarding, price volatility, substandard fuel and risks to national energy security.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/news/bangladesh/news/bpc-panel-against-fuel-imports-pvt-sector-4261756>

No more overlapping import consignment crosscheck

- The NBR has issued the order for customs intelligence units to coordinate with the CIID and the CIC in such work, as businesses often resent overlapping of trade scrutiny.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/no-more-overlapping-import-consignment-crosscheck-1788113374>

Foreign debt repayment exceeds receipts in July

- According to data from the ERD, the government repaid USD 453 Mn in principal and interest on foreign loans in July, compared with USD 446 Mn in the same month last year.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/foreign-debt-repayment-exceeds-receipts-july-4260611>

Experts urge easing trade union registration process

- Labour rights experts have called on the authorities to ensure a transparent, predictable and time-bound trade union registration process in line with existing labour law.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/experts-urge-easing-trade-union-registration-process-1529026>

Forward-booking importers get over a BDT 1.0 edge per dollar as rate jumps

- Importers that booked dollars forward over the past two weeks are gaining as much as BDT 1.0 per dollar after the exchange rate rebounded to BDT 123.50 from BDT 122 within days.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/forward-booking-importers-get-over-tk1-edge-dollar-rate-jumps-1529046>

MRT 1 and 5 costs set to be slashed by BDT 48 Bn, body formed for more cuts

- The revised cost estimates of Dhaka's Metro Rail Line-1 and Line-5 Northern projects are set to be reduced by at least BDT 38 Bn at the initial stage as the government moves to rationalise their sharply increased budgets.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/infrastructure/mrt-1-and-5-costs-set-be-slashed-tk4800cr-body-formed-more-cuts-1529011>

ENERGY | Bangladesh to widen LNG supplier pool

- The government has decided to expand its pool of LNG suppliers as the country is increasingly relying on the volatile spot market to overcome a worsening gas crisis and disruptions caused to contractual supplies.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bangladesh-to-widen-lng-supplier-pool-1788112762>

BANK | Banks under strain as BDT 85.65 Bn remittance incentive stalls

- Commercial banks in Bangladesh are shouldering an overdue government remittance incentive bill exceeding BDT 85.65 Bn, as severe delays in state reimbursements force lenders to finance public subsidies from their own funds, tightening liquidity and eroding profitability across the banking sector.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/banks-under-strain-tk8565cr-remittance-incentive-remains-pending-1528166>

BANK | How central bank waivers help lenders sidestep IFRS9

- The central bank introduced IFRS9 in late 2024. Since then, banks have been required to receive qualified opinions from auditors for any deviation from IFRS9. A systemic risk remains in companies' financial reporting, as auditors have used EOMs to bypass the need for qualified opinions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/how-central-bank-waivers-help-lenders-sidestep-ifs9-1788114379>

BDT 20 Bn pre-financing fund formed for frozen food exporters

- Bangladesh Bank has built a BDT 20 Bn revolving pre-financing fund to support the country's frozen food industry, particularly shrimp and fish exporters.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/tk-2000-crore-pre-financing-fund-formed-frozen-food-exporters-4260376>

BANK | Loan interest for BDT 130 Bn agri refinancing schemes capped at 7%

Bangladesh Bank introduced two refinancing schemes totaling BDT 130 billion to boost agriculture, food security, and rural employment.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/loan-interest-tk13000cr-agri-refinancing-schemes-capped-7-1528861>

BANK | Bangladesh Bank made over BDT 260 Bn profit in FY26

- Bangladesh Bank's net profit rose 15% year-on-year to BDT 260 Bn in the just-concluded 2025-26 fiscal year.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-bank-made-over-tk-26000-crore-profit-fy26-4260481>

Gas supply getting a boost with LNG resurgence

Bangladesh's gas supply will rise significantly in September as both floating terminals operate at full capacity to regasify increased LNG imports.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/gas-supply-getting-a-boost-with-lng-resurgence-1788028785>

Govt seeks foreign funds worth USD 4.5 Bn

The Bangladesh government is seeking nearly \$4.5 billion in foreign financing to construct the proposed Dhaka-Chattogram Expressway, a major transport infrastructure project.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-seeks-foreign-funds-worth-45-billion-1788029464>

Bangladesh receives USD 2.45 Bn in remittances in 26 days of August

- Bangladeshi expatriates sent home USD 2.455 Bn in remittances during the first 26 days of August.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh-receives-245b-in-remittances-in-26-days-of-august>

CCCI seeks BB push for one-time exit facility

- The Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) has urged Bangladesh Bank to issue clear guidelines allowing banks to accept one-time exit proposals from distressed borrowers, including concessions where necessary, to reduce non-performing loans (NPLs) and restore private-sector credit flow.

<https://tob.news/ccci-seeks-bb-push-for-one-time-exit-facility/>

World Bank sees 0.6 Mn jobs at risk, slow poverty reduction

- The World Bank has warned that Bangladesh could lose nearly 600,000 jobs and see only about 500,000 people move out of poverty in 2026 as the economic fallout from the Middle East conflict compounds existing pressures from high inflation, weak investment, energy shortages and a fragile banking sector.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-front/311657/world-bank-sees-6-lakh-jobs-at-risk-slow-poverty-reduction>

Sales of savings instruments rebound in FY'26

- Sales of state-run savings tools rebounded in the just-concluded fiscal year, signaling a recovery in demand for the government savings instruments after a sharp decline in the previous fiscal year. Total sales increased by BDT 240.74 Bn, total repayment increased by BDT 175.75 Bn, and the net sales stood at BDT 4.36 Bn in FY26.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/sales-of-savings-instruments-rebound-in-fy26>

New policy obligates corporates to spend higher on CSR

- An upcoming comprehensive national CSR policy obligates listed companies, banks, financial institutions, insurers and other specified businesses to spend minimum 1.0% of their previous year's pre-tax profit on such activities.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/new-policy-obligates-corporates-to-spend-higher-on-csr>

BANK | Cenbank's BDT 600 Bn stimulus package: 17 banks sign deal to provide BDT 410 Bn

- Seventeen banks have completed agreements to provide BDT 410 Bn for Bangladesh Bank's BDT 600 Bn stimulus package aimed at reopening closed factories, boosting private sector investment and reviving the stagnant economy.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bbs-tk60000cr-stimulus-package-17-banks-sign-deal-provide-tk41000cr-1525986>

BANK | Treasury bill, bond yields fall into single digits

- Interest rates on all types of Treasury bills and bonds have fallen into single digits, with yields declining steadily since June as banks grapple with excess liquidity and weak private-sector credit demand. Bankers attributed the decline mainly to two factors: substantial excess liquidity in the banking system and weak demand for private-sector loans.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/treasury-bill-bond-yields-fall-single-digits-1526621>

BANK | Mattress money swells to BDT 3.36 Tn amid fragile bank confidence

- The amount of cash held outside Bangladesh's banking system continued to rise in June, signalling a growing preference for physical money at a time when economic activity remains subdued and confidence in banks has yet to fully recover.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/mattress-money-swells-to-tk-336t-amid-fragile-bank-confidence-1788029592>

BANK | High imports down bank dollar holdings

- Commercial banks' foreign currency holdings declined further in July from a year earlier despite record remittance inflows and improved stability in the foreign exchange market, as import payments remained high.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-front/311664/high-imports-down-bank-dollar-holdings>

BANK | Sammilito Islami Bank files 10,000 cases to recover defaulted loans

- Sammilito Islami Bank PLC has so far filed about 10,000 cases to recover defaulted loans, while more cases are being prepared, as the newly formed bank steps up efforts to protect depositors' interests. The bank is rationalising and integrating 780 branches and 1,500 business units based on location, business potential, customer service and operating costs.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/banking/311395/sammilito-islami-bank-files-10000-cases-to-recover-defaulted-loans>

ENERGY | No second thermal power unit, solar plant to be built instead at Rampal

- A planned second coal-fired unit at Rampal is effectively ditched and a 442-megawatt grid-connected solar power plant will be built instead, officials said Thursday about the policy switch. According to the BPDB, the highly competitive tariff of BDT 6.18 per unit makes it roughly 43% cheaper than other upcoming installations.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/no-second-thermal-power-unit-solar-plant-to-be-built-instead-at-rampal>

INSURANCE | Insurance regulator moves to identify data offenders

- The insurance regulatory authority is looking to crack down on data manipulation as part of its broader drive to protect policyholders.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/insurance-regulator-moves-to-identify-data-offenders-1788023260>

INSURANCE | Claim settlements of troubled insurers from next week: IDRA

- The Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority (IDRA) will begin settling long-overdue insurance claims from next week by liquidating assets and selling properties belonging to several troubled insurance companies.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/claim-settlements-troubled-insurers-next-week-idra-4259591>

ENERGY | Govt orders diverting funds from dev budget for clean power generation

- The government has asked the finance division to divert necessary funds from the development budget to support the initiative for higher generation of clean energy. Government high-ups now asked the finance division to divert BDT 10 Bn from earmarked allocation and use the money for installation of rooftop-solar power systems.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/govt-orders-diverting-funds-from-dev-budget-for-clean-power-generation>

SHIPBUILDING | Maersk keen to invest in Bangladesh's shipbuilding industry

- Danish shipping and logistics giant Maersk Line has expressed interest in making direct investments in Bangladesh's shipbuilding industry.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/maersk-keen-invest-bangladeshs-shipbuilding-industry-1527961>

TEXTILE | CottonPort brings US cotton to Bangladesh

- CottonPort, Bangladesh's first digital raw cotton marketplace, is set to offer US-grown cotton to local spinning mills at prices close to those of Brazilian cotton. More than 30 spinning mill owners have already expressed interest in purchasing US cotton directly through the platform, chief executive officer of CottonPort has said.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/apparel/311398/cottonport-brings-us-cotton-to-bangladesh>

BANK | Foreign firms get nod for bank guarantees on government tenders

- Foreign companies can now obtain bank guarantees from any scheduled bank operating in Bangladesh to bid for international tenders.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/foreign-firms-get-nod-for-bank-guarantees-on-government-tenders>

Important News: Stocks

BRACBANK | BRAC Bank gets USD 50 Mn IFC facility to expand MSME financing

- The International Finance Corporation (IFC) will provide a USD 50 Mn senior unsecured working capital solutions (WCS) facility to BRAC Bank PLC to expand financing for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in Bangladesh, particularly women-led businesses and agricultural enterprises.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/brac-bank-gets-50m-ifc-facility-expand-msme-financing-4263351>

DESCO | BSEC approves BDT 459 Mn preference shares for Desco against govt equity

- Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (Desco) has received formal consent from the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) to issue 459 Mn irredeemable non-cumulative preference shares to the government with face value of BDT 10 each, amounting to a total of BDT 459 Mn.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-approves-tk4590cr-preference-shares-desco-against-govt-equity-1531966>

BSCPLC | BSCPLC denies looming bandwidth crisis flagged by private cable investors

- Bangladesh Submarine Cable Company PLC (BSCPLC) has brushed aside warnings of an impending bandwidth shortage, raised by a section of private submarine cable investors, saying no such shortfall exists or is likely in future.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/national/bscplc-denies-looming-bandwidth-crisis-flagged-by-private-cable-investors>

SAIHAMTEX | Saiham Textile stock up 103% in 25 sessions as one unit sits idle

- Shares of Saiham Textile Mills have more than doubled in just 25 trading sessions, even as the company maintains it has no undisclosed price-sensitive information to explain the rally and despite one of its two production units remaining shut for Balancing, Modernisation, Rehabilitation and Expansion (BMRE) work.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/saiham-textile-stock-103-25-sessions-one-unit-sits-idle-1531971>

EXCHANGE | BSEC plans direct listing for firms with BDT 5.0 Bn turnover

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) approved a draft of the rules as the regulator seeks to widen the avenues for bringing more companies into the country's capital market. Companies might soon be allowed to directly list in the capital market without having to offer an initial public offering (IPO), by offloading 10%–20% of shares held by existing shareholders.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bsec-plans-direct-listing-firms-tk-500cr-turnover-4262531>

EXCHANGE | Dhaka bourse to launch derivatives trading by Jan 2028

- The DSE plans to introduce financial derivatives by January 2028 after the BSEC approved its action plan for launching the new asset class.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-bourse-launch-derivatives-trading-jan-2028-1530706>

EXCHANGE | BSEC eases dividend remittance rules for foreign investors

- The BSEC has relaxed dividend compliance requirements for foreign investors, tying the remittance deadline to the issuance of a Double Taxation Avoidance certificate by the NBR.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-eases-dividend-remittance-rules-foreign-investors-1530351>

EXCHANGE | Bourses can approve 'Z-category' share transfers in default, death cases

- The BSEC has relaxed a stringent rule regarding the transfer of shares held by sponsors and directors of "Z-category" companies, shifting administrative authority directly to exchanges.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bourses-can-approve-z-category-share-transfers-default-death-cases-1530726>

EXCHANGE | BSEC to roll out direct listing framework in a month: Chief Masud Khan

- The securities regulator is set to finalise the direct listing framework within a month, allowing well-governed private companies, state-owned enterprises and multinational firms to enter the stock market by bypassing the need to float an IPO.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bsec-to-roll-out-direct-listing-framework-in-a-month-chief-masud-khan-1788194174>

EXCHANGE | BSEC promises T+1 settlement, AI surveillance, fundamental listing

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has unveiled an ambitious roadmap to rescue the country's capital market from a decade of stagnation, promising to dismantle the "analog" hurdles of the "paper age" and transition into a technology-driven institutional powerhouse.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-promises-t1-settlement-ai-surveillance-fundamental-listing-1529766>

GP | AI-Amin appointed CTO of GP

- Abul Kasem Mohiuddin AI-Amin has been appointed chief technology officer of Grameenphone effective today, said a press release. Prior to his appointment as CTO, he served as senior director and head of network services of Grameenphone. Previously, he held the role of chief procurement officer of Grameenphone.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-back/311894/al-amin-appointed-cto-of-gp>

MERCANBANK | Mercantile Bank sponsor to gift 19.5 Mn shares worth BDT 136.5 Mn to three children

- Nasiruddin Choudhury, a sponsor of Mercantile Bank PLC, has announced plans to gift 19.5 Mn shares worth about BDT 136.5 Mn to his son and two daughters.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/mercantile-bank-sponsor-gift-195cr-shares-worth-tk1365cr-three-children-1529796>

UCB | UCB takes new initiative to implement IFRS 9

- United Commercial Bank PLC has entered into an agreement with RAPTAS Resolute Limited and Global Brand PLC to implement an Expected Credit Loss-based provisioning system in line with the International Financial Reporting Standard 9, said a press release.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-front/311880/ucb-takes-new-initiative-to-implement-ifrs-9>

PADMALIFE | Padma Life fund deficit deepens to BDT 3.27 Bn as financial distress persists

- Padma Islami Life Insurance's life fund deficit widened to BDT 3.27 Bn as of 30 June 2026, highlighting the insurer's fragile financial position and keeping its stock in the "Z" category.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/padma-life-fund-deficit-deepens-tk327cr-financial-distress-persists-1528911>

DHAKABANK | Dhaka Bank to accelerate Visa card portfolio growth

- Dhaka Bank PLC has signed an agreement with Visa to accelerate the growth of Dhaka Bank's Visa card portfolio and strengthen digital payment services in Bangladesh.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/business-back/311897/dhaka-bank-to-accelerate-visa-card-portfolio-growth>

DOMINAGE | Akij Resources to acquire Dominage Steel at BDT 13 a share

- The securities regulator has given its permission to Dominage Steel Building Systems to transfer 30.78 Mn ordinary shares to Akij Resources and two individuals, resulting in a significant reshuffling of the company's ownership.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/akij-resources-to-acquire-dominage-steel-at-tk-13-a-share-1788194219>

PROGRESLIF | Progressive Life to offload assets as unpaid claims hit BDT 1590 Mn

- Progressive Life Insurance Company Limited has put several of its real estate assets up for sale as it seeks to raise funds to settle a large backlog of insurance claims which hit BDT 1590 Mn.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/progressive-life-offload-assets-unpaid-claims-hit-tk159cr-1529776>

EXCHANGE | BSEC fines Alliance Capital Asset BDT 0.5 Mn for reporting lapses

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has fined Alliance Capital Asset Management Limited BDT 0.5 Mn for repeatedly failing to submit its audited financial statements within the statutory deadlines.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-fines-alliance-capital-asset-tk5-lakh-reporting-lapses-1528946>

SHARPIND, AAMRATECH | Sharp Ind, Aamra Tech shares plunge after BSEC probe

- Sharp Industries' share price has plunged 42.18% in 11 trading sessions to BDT 25.50, while Aamra Technologies has dropped 28.14% in 14 sessions to BDT 16.60.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sharp-ind-aamra-tech-shares-plunge-after-bsec-probe-1528966>

WALTONHIL | Walton's profit up 8.5% on higher sales, lower finance costs

- Walton's sales increased 4.4% YoY to BDT 73.93 Bn during FY26, while finance costs dropped nearly 60% to BDT 1.81 Bn.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/waltons-profit-up-85pc-on-higher-sales-lower-finance-costs>

EXCHANGE | BSEC seeks investor protection as three NBFIs face resolution

- The securities regulator has stepped in to protect general investors of three listed non-bank financial institutions (NBFIs), urging Bangladesh Bank (BB) not to proceed with liquidation or delisting without safeguarding shareholders' legitimate interests, official sources said.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bsec-seeks-investor-protection-as-three-nbfis-face-resolution-1788023285>

NAVANAPHAR | Regulator intervention ends boardroom uncertainty at Navana Pharma

- The securities regulator's intervention has finally ended months of uncertainty over the boardroom dispute at Navana Pharmaceuticals, with the listed drug manufacturer formally disclosing its existing board composition and reaffirming its previous leadership.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock/regulator-intervention-ends-boardroom-uncertainty-at-navana-pharma>

ICB | 'Cannot repay': Investees tell ICB over BDT 9.27 Bn money refund

- 'Cannot repay now' — that was the blunt response from several non-bank financial institutions to the Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB), rendering the state-owned investment bank's efforts to recover over BDT 9.27 Bn in trapped fixed deposits with principal and interest completely in vain.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/cannot-repay-investees-tell-icb-over-tk927cr-money-refund-1528046>

WALTONHIL | Walton declares 190% dividend for FY26 as profits rise

- According to the price-sensitive disclosure, the company's earnings per share (EPS) rose to BDT33.75 for FY2025-26, up from BDT31.11 recorded in the previous financial year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/walton-recommends-180-cash-10-stock-dividend-fy26-1527881>

MTB | MTB to issue BDT 5.0 Bn subordinated bonds

- Mutual Trust Bank PLC is set to raise BDT 5.0 Bn through a seven-year subordinated bond as part of its efforts to strengthen its regulatory capital base.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/stocks/311363/mtb-to-issue-tk-500cr-subordinated-bonds>

DUTCHBANGL | DBBL increases authorised capital to BDT 35.0 Bn

- Dutch-Bangla Bank PLC has decided to increase its authorised capital. The board of directors has decided to increase the authorised capital of the bank from BDT 15.0 Bn to BDT 35.0 Bn. The board of directors has also decided to purchase land for the operation and expansion of the bank's DEPZ data center project.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/stocks/311366/dbbl-increases-authorised-capital-to-tk-3500-crore>

MIDASFIN | MIDAS Financing to liquidate three properties to ease liquidity crunch

- MIDAS Financing PLC, a non-bank financial institution (NBFI), has decided to liquidate three of its prime commercial properties to alleviate a severe liquidity crisis.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/midas-financing-liquidate-three-properties-ease-liquidity-crunch-1528051>

PLFSL | High Court rejects BB plea to dissolve Peoples Leasing board

- The High Court has rejected Bangladesh Bank's application seeking dissolution of the court-appointed board of directors of Peoples Leasing and Financial Services Ltd. The High Court's decision means Bangladesh Bank cannot proceed with its proposed resolution process for Peoples Leasing in the manner it had sought.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/court/high-court-rejects-bb-plea-dissolve-peoples-leasing-board-1527996>

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