

# **MORNING NEWS**

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# **Good Morning**

#### Bangladesh economy to experience modest recovery this fiscal year: IMF

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has projected that Bangladesh's economy will experience a modest recovery in the current fiscal year.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yvweypkd">https://tinyurl.com/yvweypkd</a>

#### Bangladesh Bank buys \$38 million more from market

Bangladesh Bank (BB) today bought \$38 million more from six commercial banks to rebuild foreign exchange reserves and maintain stability in the exchange rate.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc7apv6e">https://tinyurl.com/yc7apv6e</a>

#### Dhaka stocks slip as engineering, food drag indices

Dhaka stocks closed lower today, reversing the previous session's gains as losses in engineering and food shares weighed on the indices.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/yc7apv6e">https://tinyurl.com/yc7apv6e</a>

## Remittance inflow witnesses 26.9pc growth till Oct 13

Inflow of remittances witnessed a year-on-year growth of 26.9 percent, reaching US\$1,270 million in the first 13 days of October

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk">https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk</a>

## Sonali Bangladesh UK seeks \$100m low-cost credit line from BB

SBUK Limited has formally requested Bangladesh Bank for a \$100 million low-interest — ideally zero-cost — credit line.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur">https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur</a>

### New day, new record for gold price

Within a day of hiking prices, the Bangladesh Jewellers' Association (Bajus) today increased gold prices again after the precious metal hit a global record, surpassing \$4,100.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur">https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur</a>

## BSEC to approve IPOs based on bourses' recommendations

The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) is drafting a new securities rule requiring that future initial public offerings (IPOs) by new market entrants be approved according to the recommendations of the country's stock exchanges.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur">https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur</a>





#### 72% of transactions in Bangladesh still cash-based as informal economy dominates

Despite Bangladesh Bank's push towards a cashless society, more than 72% of all monetary transactions in the country are still conducted in cash, according to the central bank's latest payment system report.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/3j2jks44">https://tinyurl.com/3j2jks44</a>

#### Merger-bound Islami banks bounce back as govt quells investor fears

The rebound came after weeks of steep declines between August and mid-October, when the Bangladesh Bank announced its plan to merge the five lenders into a single Islami bank. Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/3j2jks44">https://tinyurl.com/3j2jks44</a>

#### CSE suffers Tk14.6cr operating loss in FY25

The Chittagong Stock Exchange (CSE) reported a 38% increase in operating losses, reaching Tk14.60 crore in FY 2024–25, highlighting ongoing difficulties in earning revenue from core operations amid a slow market.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/48wwbx9r">https://tinyurl.com/48wwbx9r</a>

#### Islami Bank to hold AGM on 19 November

Islami Bank Bangladesh has announced that its Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on 19 November, to be conducted physically, the venue of which will be announced later.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur">https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur</a>

### Why a Chinese investor's bid to take over Mithun Knitting failed again

In a second attempt, BSEC has rejected the company's application to acquire Mithun Knitting's sponsor shares. Last week, the Commission sent letters to the company seeking explanations and supporting documents.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/mrty5fzv">https://tinyurl.com/mrty5fzv</a>

## Toothpaste, food or toys: Japanese firms bet bigger on Bangladesh

Japanese companies are showing more interest in investing in Bangladesh, expanding existing operations and launching new ventures as they tap into the country's large consumer base and competitive labour market, according to Japanese trade officials and business leaders.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur">https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur</a>

#### Five Shariah banks owe Tk 373.32b to banks, FIs

Five Shariah banks undergoing a merger are facing a massive collective liability of approximately Tk 373.32 billion (Tk 37,332 crore) in fixed deposits owed to various banks and financial institutions, according to a report of the Bangladesh Bank released on Tuesday. Source: https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk





#### BD Lamps cuts quarterly loss by 79pc on higher sales

BD Lamps cut its losses by 79 per cent year-on-year to Tk 12.5 million in the first quarter through September, driven by higher sales.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk">https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk</a>

#### BMLS legal notice challenges new Chattogram Port tariff as unlawful

The Bangladesh Maritime Law Society (BMLS) has served a legal notice on the government and the Chattogram Port Authority (CPA), demanding the immediate withdrawal of the newly issued circular that enforces higher port tariffs from 15 October 2025.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk">https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk</a>

#### Cap exports rise as buyers look beyond China, Korea

Once an overlooked corner of the accessories market, caps are now a growing contributor to Bangladesh's export portfolio, reflecting both shifting global trends and the country's ability to adapt and scale.

Source: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk">https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk</a>

