

MORNING NEWS

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Good Morning

Sena Insurance sees 17% profit slide in Q3

As per its financials, during the Q3, its net profit stood at Tk3.24 crore with an earnings per share (EPS) of Tk0.81, lower from Tk3.89 crore and EPS of Tk0.97 in Q3 of 2024

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/aeurn99w>

Apex Footwear shares plunge nearly 23% after stock dividend adjustment

Following the stock dividend, the company's paid-up capital rose by Tk4 crore to Tk19 crore, while the number of shares increased by around 45 lakh

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/2rybthrc>

LafargeHolcim Bangladesh declares 18% interim cash dividend as quarterly profit surges 36%

LafargeHolcim Bangladesh PLC, one of the country's leading multinational cement manufacturers, has declared an 18% interim cash dividend for its shareholders.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/chjje2xk>

Shibli Rubayat, Reaz Islam banned for life in market over scam

The stock market regulator has permanently banned its former chairman Prof Shibli Rubayat UI Islam, and LR Global Bangladesh CEO Reaz Islam from all capital market activities over their involvement in a share price manipulation scheme involving Padma Printers and Colour.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur>

Square Textile to invest Tk40cr for expansion, merge subsidiary Square Texcom

According to the company's latest financial disclosures, Square Texcom reported strong performance in FY25, with revenue rising 28% to Tk197.89 crore and net profit up 8% to Tk7.99 crore

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/yaabfpud>

Pharma sector stares at big loss from fire

The devastating fire at the cargo village of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport (HSIA) has dealt a severe blow to Bangladesh's pharmaceutical industry, with an estimated economic impact of more than Tk 40 billion.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur>

Most cargos charred in HSIA fire unlikely to be compensated

Majority consignees had 'Air Risk Only' insurance coverage

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/yn6m647x>

BSEC bars mutual fund investment in bank bonds. Will it deprive investors?

The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) is restricting mutual funds and individual investors from investing in banks' subordinated bonds.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/ysk7tmur>

BB's lost autonomy has a hefty price

Economists blame rising bad debt, soaring prices and illicit fund flows on central bank's waning independence

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/bdf4tphh>

Banking sector faces capital shortfall of Tk 1.55 trillion

24 out of 61 banks face severe capital shortfall

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/bdf4tphh>

How the revised DAP may worsen Dhaka's liveability crisis

By raising building height limits and floor area ratios, the revised DAP encourages unchecked vertical expansion—without addressing the capital's strained infrastructure

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/chje2xk>

Inflation easing, but tight monetary policy denting credit growth, investment: Govt report

Inflation inches up in September

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/yc5a8yeu>

Behind bars, Nassa chief liquidates assets to rescue debt-ridden group

In recent weeks, shares Nazrul owned in several listed companies worth Tk43 crore have already been sold, while another Tk43 crore worth are in the process of being offloaded

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/53fzc6ke>

ECNEC approves 13 projects worth Tk 19.88 billion

The Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC) on Tuesday approved 13 development projects involving an estimated total cost of Tk 19.88 billion.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3tfbburk>

Banks' uninvested liquidity keeps rising amid sluggish investment regime

The volume of uninvested cash in the country's banking system keeps rising in recent months, signalling a slow rebound in their liquidity situations against the backdrop of a sluggish investment regime.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/53fzc6ke>

IMF's sixth tranche to come after polls

The sixth instalment of International Monetary Fund's (IMF) loan programme of \$4.7 billion may not arrive by the end of the year.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3futna9w>

Govt's heavy bank borrowing crowds out private investment

Slowing growth of private credit signals a deep-seated reluctance among businesses to invest and expand owing to high interest rates, cautious lending, and political and economic uncertainty.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3a5a8ubr>

Economy stabilizing amid sluggish investment momentum

Bangladesh's economy shows signs of cautious stabilisation, but investment momentum remains sluggish as the private-sector credit growth weakens and borrowing costs remain high, according to a report of the General Economics Division (GED) under the Planning Commission.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/hrsuz2hf>

Shadharan Bima Launches ERP & Core insurance system module

Under the Bangladesh Insurance Sector Development Project (BISDP), Sadharan Bima Corporation is implementing a comprehensive automation programme

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/53fzc6ke>

Govt to install solar panels at 46,000 schools, hospitals

The Power Division signed memorandums of understanding (MoUs) with five other government divisions under three ministries yesterday to implement the project.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/5n7xrtfh>

7.1pc growth of remittance inflow till Oct 20

Inflow of remittances witnessed a year-on-year growth of 7.1 per cent, reaching US\$1780 million in the first 20 days of October, according to the latest data of Bangladesh Bank (BB) issued on Tuesday.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/53fzc6ke>

BD seeks Korean investments in textiles, electronics, renewables

"This is the most opportune moment for Korean businesses to align with Bangladesh's growth trajectory," said Mr. Chowdhury in his keynote address.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3f7upurj>

ICAB urges proper IFRS 9 implementation to rebuild confidence in banking sector

Implementation of the International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) 9 to enhance transparency, strengthen financial stability, and restore public trust in the country's banking sector.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/53fzc6ke>