

MORNING NEWS

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Good Morning

৫ হাজার কোটি টাকা চেয়ে আইসিবি পাচ্ছে ১ হাজার কোটি

রাষ্ট্রায়ত্ত্ব বিনিয়োগ প্রতিষ্ঠান ইনভেস্টমেন্ট করপোরেশন অব বাংলাদেশের (আইসিবি) আবেদনের প্রেক্ষিতে নতুনভাবে এক হাজার কোটি টাকার ঋণ দিচ্ছে সরকার। এ বিষয়ে গত বৃহস্পতিবার (১৩ নভেম্বর) সংশ্লিষ্ট দপ্তর থেকে নির্দেশনা জারি হয়েছে।

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3sphxr74>

Bangladesh faces mounting macro-financial challenges despite progress: IMF

Bangladesh's economy continues to face mounting macro-financial challenges stemming from weak tax revenue, financial sector vulnerabilities, and elevated inflation, although the authorities have made progress in maintaining macroeconomic stability and advancing reforms.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/4r3t4c4u>

IMF to engage next govt before finalising loan review

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) will engage with the next government before finalising the upcoming loan review for Bangladesh, said Chris Papageorgiou, IMF mission chief to Bangladesh.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/mva8kcu9>

Govt move to reserve 10 MHz for Teletalk raises concerns

The government has decided to reserve 10 MHz of the valuable 700 MHz band exclusively for state-owned Teletalk once a pending court case is resolved, raising concerns among industry experts about underutilisation and anti-competitive effects.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/2beam8ta>

10 firms bid to be govt's adviser on Nagad sale

The Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (Bida) has received applications from 10 firms interested in becoming the government's transaction adviser for the planned sale of Nagad, the mobile financial service (MFS) provider under the Bangladesh Post Office.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/4rztzd8j>

Bangladesh outpaces China in RMG export growth to EU

Bangladesh has outpaced China in apparel export growth to the European Union (EU) in the first nine months of 2025, as demand for competitively priced Bangladeshi garments continues to strengthen in the bloc.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/54ncd8fz>

Bank deposits rise nearly 10% in Sep, second-highest growth in 18 months

Bank deposits grew by 9.98% year-on-year at the end of September 2025, marking the second-highest growth rate in the past 18 months. This comes after a 10.02% increase in August, the highest in 17 months.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/4fsdvc97>

WTO to continue technical assistance to Bangladesh after LDC graduation

WTO that regulates and facilitates international trade, has affirmed that Bangladesh will continue to receive substantial support and technical assistance as the country prepares for its transition from Least Developed Country (LDC) status in 2026.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/3xcmb8xu>

Beza hands over 30 acres land to Delta Life Sciences in NSEZ

The Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (Beza) officially handed over the 30 acres of land to Delta Life Sciences PLC at the National Special Economic Zone (NSEZ) in Chattogram.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/mr38eye7>

Swiss-based Medlog SA emerges as sole qualified bidder for 22-year Pangaon terminal deal

Amid growing debate over engaging foreign operators at the country's ports, global logistics firm Medlog SA has moved closer to securing the management contract for Pangaon Inland Container Terminal under a 22-year deal.

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

BB allows export incentives for sub-contracted garment exports with conditions

The Bangladesh Bank has announced that export incentives or cash incentives will now be available for garments and textile goods produced under sub-contracting arrangements.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/ymxcd4a3>

Banks directed to update credit info to prevent defaulters contesting polls

As the 13th national election approaches, Bangladesh Bank's Credit Information Bureau (CIB) has begun updating its loan-related data to ensure candidate records are accurate before nomination submissions.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/ytxnv4sf>

Bank merger: Can clients use old cheques, withdraw money from existing branches?

Recently, Bangladesh Bank Governor Ahsan H Mansur said in a press briefing that the process of returning depositors' money will begin within a month.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/37en5mvk>

Banks focus on consumer loans as real sector demand slumps

Auto loans grow by 58.43%, flats 38% in June as banks focus on retail banking instead of corporate loans.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/37en5mvk>

MTB secures court orders against five loan defaulters for Tk192cr

Mutual Trust Bank PLC (MTB) has obtained court orders placing travel restrictions and mandating the seizure of passports for five individuals connected to three defaulted loan accounts, with a combined outstanding amount of Tk192.13 crore.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Tk86,000cr hole: Islami Bank's provision shortfall requires 143 years to cover, experts warn

Islami Bank Bangladesh Limited (IBBL), the country's largest lender by assets, is staring at a gaping hole in its balance sheet – a provisional shortfall of Tk85,888 crore as of September this year.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Dhaka stocks plunge amid political uncertainty, DSEX sheds 123 points

Ongoing political turmoil in the country has taken a heavy toll on the stock market, prompting panic selling and forced disposals among investors. On Thursday, DSEX shed 123 points to close at 4,703, reflecting a deepening market downturn.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

BSEC grants case-by-case extensions to 28 market intermediaries

BSEC has granted extensions to 28 capital market intermediaries, including stockbrokers, dealers, and merchant banks, allowing them additional time to maintain provisions and adjust negative equity and unrealised losses on a case-by-case basis.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Walton posts 19% revenue growth to Tk1451cr in Q1 of FY2025-26

Walton Hi-Tech Industries, a local electronic giant, has reported a 19.46% year-on-year revenue growth in the first quarter (July-September) of the current fiscal year to Tk1,451 crore, according to its quarterly financial statements.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Energypac Power incurs Tk250cr loss over three years

Energypac Power Generation PLC, listed on the stock exchanges in 2021, has reported a cumulative consolidated loss of Tk250 crore over the last three consecutive fiscal years. Energypac posted the consolidated loss of Tk105 crore in the 2024-25 fiscal year.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Summit Power sees fall in revenue, rise in net profit in Q1 of FY2025-26

Their net finance costs decreased to Tk59.34 crore in Q1 of FY26, from Tk77 crore in the corresponding period of FY25. Its share of profit from equity investments increased to Tk26.82 crore, up from Tk18 crore.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/46ezkbnz>

Big pharma posts big gains, but market turmoil mutes investor optimism

23 listed pharma companies have so far disclosed their first-quarter results. Fourteen of these firms posted year-on-year profit growth, six reported declines, while three slipped into losses.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/586brkfm>

Shipping Corp aims to buy one ship per year with own funds till 2030, driven by record profits

BSC, the state-owned ocean-going vessel operator, has decided to expand its fleet by acquiring one new ship per year until 2030 using its own funds.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/586brkfm>

Petrobangla spends \$3.27b in 7 months to meet LNG, foreign payment obligations

The state-owned Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation, Petrobangla, has spent a staggering \$3.27 billion between April and October 2025 to settle import bills for liquefied natural gas (LNG), make payments to international oil companies (IOCs) operating in the country, and repay loans to the Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC).

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/586brkfm>

After IMF, JICA also opts to deal with political govt

Japanese financier JICA follows IMF footprint as it also now tags consultation with Bangladesh's upcoming political government to budget bankrolling as the national elections are in sight for transition from the interregnum.

Source: <https://tinyurl.com/2v2jn4bd>