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Good Morning



Trump tariffs trigger 11% drop in Bangladesh's RMG exports to US in October

Bangladesh's ready-made garment exports to the United States fell by nearly 11% year-on-year in October as higher tariffs imposed by the Trump administration reduced consumer demand and disrupted buying patterns in the world's largest apparel market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/trump-tariffs-trigger-11-drop-bangladeshs-rmg-exports-us-october-1331051>

LC openings fall 4.85% in Dec as Ramadan imports taper off

The opening and settlement of letters of credit (LCs) both declined in December last year compared with the same month a year earlier, reflecting lower import demand and subdued business activity.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/lc-openings-fall-485-dec-ramadan-imports-taper-1329706>

Foreign exchange reserves fall to \$27.85b after ACU payment

Following the payment of \$1.53 billion in bills to the Asian Clearing Union (ACU), the country's foreign exchange reserves have once again fallen below \$28 billion.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/foreign-exchange-reserves-fall-2785b-after-acu-payment-1329541>

City Bank to invest Tk855cr in building multi-storied office in Gulshan

City Bank PLC has decided to construct a multi-storied office at Gulshan-2 in the capital at an estimated cost of Tk855 crore.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/city-bank-invest-tk855cr-building-multi-storied-office-gulshan-1329041>

Renata secures Turkish approval, opens new export market

Renata has secured high-class recognition from one more stringent drug authority, which opened up an opportunity to export medicines to Turkey.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock/bangladesh/renata-secures-turkish-approval-opens-new-export-market>

Foreign portfolio shrinks Tk120cr as overseas investors cut blue-chip stakes

Foreign investors pared their exposure to Bangladesh's capital market in December, pulling out a net Tk119–120 crore, with the bulk of the sell-off concentrated in a handful of large-cap and fundamentally strong stocks such as Summit Alliance Port, Grameenphone, City Bank and Square Pharmaceuticals.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/foreign-portfolio-shrinks-tk120cr-overseas-investors-cut-blue-chip-stakes-1329666>

Blue-chip shares drive weekly turnover

Riding on strong trading driven by investors' sector-specific concentration in blue-chip and bank stocks, turnover at the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) surged by 34% last week, while all indices posted gains, data showed.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/blue-chip-shares-drive-weekly-turnover-1331041>

Auditor unable to trace Tk76cr cash at Fortune Shoes

Auditors have found major documentation gaps over about Tk76 crore in cash withdrawn by listed Fortune Shoes Limited during the 2024-25 financial year, leaving the funds untraceable.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/auditor-unable-trace-tk76cr-cash-fortune-shoes-1329676>

Non-life insurance hopes for reset as zero commission takes effect

The non-life insurance sector is gearing up for a fresh start as the Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority (IDRA) enforces a zero-commission policy, effective 1 January, suspending the licenses of individual agents, aiming to boost transparency, curb malpractice, and restore discipline across the industry.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/non-life-insurance-hopes-reset-zero-commission-takes-effect-1331046>

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Revised rules put dividend-deficient mutual funds at liquidity risk

Under the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (Mutual Fund Rules, 2025), trustees may convene a meeting of unitholders to decide whether they prefer liquidation of a listed or non-listed fund, or the conversion of a listed fund into an open-ended one, following non-payment of dividends for three consecutive years. Any such decision will be final if three-fourths of the unitholders give their consent.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock/bangladesh/revised-rules-put-dividend-deficient-mutual-funds-at-liquidity-risk>