

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,266.68
% change	0.36%
DS30 Index	2,021.71
% change	0.19%
DSES Index	1,070.37
% change	1.38%
Turnover (BDT mn)	7,123.41
Turnover (USD mn)	58.25
% change	-4.54%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	-0.34%
S&P 500	6,917.81
% change	-0.84%
Nikkei 225	54,720.66
% change	3.92%
FTSE 100	10,314.59
% change	-0.26%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Low (BDT)	High (BDT)
USD	122.30	122.30
EUR	144.39	144.41
GBP	166.94	167.05
INR	1.35	1.35

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
03-Feb-26	9.75-11.00	9.90
02-Feb-26	9.75-11.00	9.91

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	67.33	1.55%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,939.33	5.85%
Cotton, USD/lb.	62.31	-0.57%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.36% on the last trading day, closing at 5,266.68 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 4.54% on the last trading day.

Global Market

- The majority of the leading global indices fell during the last trading day.
- One of the leading Asian market indices, NIKKEI 225, posted a 3.92% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.90%, standing between 9.75% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 1.55%, gold price rose by 5.85%, and cotton price fell by 0.57% last day.

Economic Outlook

BD, Japan to ink EPA tomorrow

- Bangladesh is set to sign its first-ever comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) with Japan tomorrow, securing permanent duty-free access for about 7,379 Bangladeshi products to the Japanese market and opening new trade and investment opportunities as Bangladesh prepares to graduate from least developed country status.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bd-japan-to-ink-epa-tomorrow-1770228331>

Govt's net bank borrowing jumps nearly fivefold

- The Bangladeshi government's net borrowing from the banking system has surged nearly fivefold in the first seven months of the 2025-26 fiscal year – borrowing about Tk 48,819 crore compared with Tk 10,558 crore in the same period last year – driven by weak revenue growth and rising expenditure, raising concerns about fiscal sustainability and its impact on private credit and long-term development spending.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govts-net-bank-borrowing-jumps-nearly-fivefold-4098451>

BD stands to lose in EU, US mkts amid India tariff deals

- Bangladesh risks losing market share in its two biggest ready-made garment export destinations – the European Union and the United States – as India gains tariff advantages from a new EU-India trade deal and U.S. tariff reductions for Indian goods, prompting industry calls for Bangladesh to secure its own duty-free access and boost competitiveness through reforms, diversification, and free-trade agreements.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/bd-stands-to-lose-in-eu-us-mkts-amid-india-tariff-deals-1770228414>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Pubali Bank, Bkash Join Hands for 24/7 Automated Cash Management Services

- Pubali Bank PLC and bKash Limited have signed a partnership to launch 24/7 automated cash management services for bKash agents, distributors and partners with accounts at Pubali Bank, enabling round-the-clock fund transfers, instant settlements and improved liquidity management beyond traditional banking hours.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/pubali-bank-bkash-join-hands-for-247-automated-cash-management-services-1770230578>

Premier Bank terminates MD and CEO Md Abu Jafar

- Premier Bank PLC has terminated the contract of its Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Md Abu Jafar, effective 3 February 2026 after the board's December 2025 meeting decision was approved by Bangladesh Bank, ending his tenure following nearly two months of leave and creating an executive leadership change at the bank.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/premier-bank-terminates-managing-director-abu-jafars-contract-1352076>

Fuel & Power

Power rate cut at state firms to save Tk 119cr a year

- The revised tariff rates were approved at a meeting of the advisory committee on government purchases held on February 3. Among the three plants, the 450-megawatt Ashuganj Combined Cycle Power Plant (2012), approved under a 25-year contract, will have its tariff rate reduced by 21 paisa to Tk 5.76 per kilowatt for the remaining 15 years.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/power-rate-cut-state-firms-save-tk-119cr-year-4098431>

Capital Market

RAK Ceramics posts Tk39.59cr loss in 2025 despite 10.56% revenue growth

- RAK Ceramics (Bangladesh) Limited has reported a loss of Tk39.59 crore for 2025, even as its revenue grew by 10.56%, mainly due to higher manufacturing costs, prolonged disruption in gas supply until June, and rising finance expenses.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/rak-ceramics-posts-tk3959cr-loss-2025-despite-1056-revenue-growth-1352261>

Salvo Organic MD to gift shares worth Tk3.87cr to son

- Md Salam Obaidul Karim, sponsor and managing director of Salvo Organic Industries, a listed company on the stock exchanges, has declared his intention to transfer 13.50 lakh shares – equivalent to over 2% – to his son, Md Atteul Karim Rafee.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/salvo-organic-md-gift-shares-worth-tk387cr-son-1352246>

Norway's sovereign wealth fund cuts Bangladesh exposure, exits key blue-chip stocks

- Norway's sovereign wealth fund (SWF), the world's largest investment fund, has reduced its exposure to Bangladesh's capital market by 17% in 2025, continuing a gradual pullback that has been underway for several years amid economic and market uncertainties.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/norways-sovereign-wealth-fund-cuts-bangladesh-exposure-exits-key-blue-chip-stocks>

Confusion over paper shares leads to PRAN's downgrade to Z category

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has downgraded Agricultural Marketing Company Limited (AMCL), widely known as PRAN, to the "Z" category, despite the company's claim that it disbursed its entire declared dividend within the stipulated timeframe, sparking confusion among investors.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/pran-downgraded-z-category-over-dividend-disbursement-failure-1351261>