

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,234.38
% change	-0.61%
DS30 Index	2,001.85
% change	-0.98%
DSES Index	1,072.13
% change	0.16%
Turnover (BDT mn)	5,874.17
Turnover (USD mn)	48.03
% change	-17.54%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	0.53%
S&P 500	6,882.72
% change	-0.51%
Nikkei 225	54,293.36
% change	-0.78%
FTSE 100	10,402.34
% change	0.85%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Low (BDT)	High (BDT)
USD	122.30	122.30
EUR	144.51	144.53
GBP	166.44	166.55
INR	1.35	1.35

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
05-Feb-26	9.75-11.00	9.88
03-Feb-26	9.75-11.00	9.90

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	69.46	3.16%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,963.60	0.49%
Cotton, USD/lb.	62.24	-0.11%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 0.61% on the last trading day, closing at 5,234.38 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 17.54% on the last trading day.

Global Market

- The majority of the leading global indices rose during the last trading day.
- One of the leading Asian market indices, NIKKEI 225, posted a 0.78% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.88%, standing between 9.75% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 3.16%, gold price rose by 0.49%, and cotton price fell by 0.11% last day.

Economic Outlook

Govt to seal US trade deal tomorrow to reduce tariff

- Bangladesh's government is set to sign a trade agreement with the United States tomorrow that will further reduce reciprocal tariffs—potentially easing costs for Bangladeshi garment exports, especially when using U.S. cotton, as part of broader commitments to import more American goods to narrow the trade imbalance.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-seal-us-trade-deal-tomorrow-reduce-tariff-4100516>

Ministry defers BB law reform, leaves it to elected govt

- The Bangladesh finance ministry has put proposed amendments to the Bangladesh Bank Order, 1972 on hold—calling them politically sensitive and saying an elected government, not the interim one, should decide on reforming the central bank law.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/ministry-defers-bb-law-reform-leaves-it-to-elected-govt-1770483955>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Agrani Bank cuts defaulted loans by Tk3,584cr in 2025

- State-owned Agrani Bank reduced its volume of defaulted loans by Tk3,584 crore in 2025, lowering the default ratio from about 40.5% to 35.5% of total loans, while boosting deposits and operating profit, and setting a target to cut defaults further below 20% by 2026.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/agrani-bank-cuts-defaulted-loans-tk3584cr-2025-1353131>

IDRA pushes deep reforms to strengthen insurance sector

- The Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority (IDRA) is driving major reforms to strengthen Bangladesh's insurance sector by fixing governance weaknesses, updating key laws, introducing new legislation, and improving regulation to protect policyholders and rebuild public trust in a sector with very low insurance penetration.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/idra-pushes-deep-reforms-to-strengthen-insurance-sector-1770481387>

Ahteshamul Haque appointed MD & CEO of Dutch-Bangla Bank

- Md Ahteshamul Haque Khan has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited, effective February 7, 2026; he previously served as the bank's deputy managing director and chief business officer for about six years and has more than 30 years of banking experience.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ahteshamul-haque-appointed-md-ceo-of-dutch-bangla-bank-1770482113>

Tk50 lakh each sought from 20 banks for police school project, stirring CSR debate

- The Bangladesh Association of Banks (BAB) has asked 20 commercial banks for Tk50 lakh each from their corporate social responsibility (CSR) funds to help build an eight-storey school inside Demra Police Lines for police families, sparking debate among bankers and economists about whether CSR money should be used this way instead of for the poor and underserved.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/tk50-lakh-each-sought-20-banks-police-school-project-stirring-csr-debate-1354581>

Textile

Bangladesh secures \$8.02m in orders at Texworld Apparel Sourcing Paris

- According to information received from the 18 Export Promotion Bureau (EPB)-sponsored Bangladeshi companies, the total value of prospective and confirmed work orders reached \$8.02 million, reflecting the growing global confidence in Bangladesh's ready-made garment (RMG) and textile sector, said a press release issued by the Bangladesh Embassy in Paris.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/bangladesh-secures-802m-orders-texworld-apparel-sourcing-paris-1353731>

Capital Market

DSEX rally continues on election optimism and strong blue-chip demand

- The benchmark index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange continued its upward trend last week, supported by broad investor participation and sustained buying in undervalued blue-chip stocks. Improving sentiment around the upcoming national election encouraged selective buying across key sectors.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dsex-rally-continues-election-optimism-and-strong-blue-chip-demand-1354446>

Dollar crisis, gas shortage squeeze paper firms' earnings

- Every year, crores of taka are reportedly exchanged illegally around the annual general meetings (AGMs) of publicly listed companies in Bangladesh, with organised groups of investors allegedly extorting money from companies in exchange for allowing meetings to proceed smoothly.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/crores-lost-agm-party-extortion-baplc-calls-action-1354496>

Oldest mutual fund beyond securities laws as mismatches emerge

- Officials of the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) said repeated attempts had been made to streamline the fund's operations in line with stipulated rules and regulations, but the fund manager-the Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB)-was able to evade regulatory compliance with support from the ministry concerned.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/oldest-mutual-fund-beyond-securities-laws-as-mismatches-emerge-1770481921>

GP loses 0.85m subscribers in Dec amid SIM limits, service issues

- Grameenphone (GP), the country's largest mobile operator, saw its subscriber base shrink by about 0.85 million in December 2025, highlighting the growing tensions between regulatory intervention and persistent service quality issues that seem to be reshaping the telecom market.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/gp-loses-085m-subscribers-in-dec-amid-sim-limits-service-issues-1770401001?date=07-02-2026>