

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,461.71
% change	-2.47%
DS30 Index	2,117.37
% change	-2.40%
DSES Index	1,089.66
% change	-2.38%
Turnover (BDT mn)	7,755.70
Turnover (USD mn)	63.42
% change	-18.13%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	-1.05%
S&P 500	6,878.88
% change	-0.43%
Nikkei 225	58,850.27
% change	0.16%
FTSE 100	10,910.55
% change	0.59%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Low (BDT)	High (BDT)
USD	122.30	122.31
EUR	143.96	144.00
GBP	164.95	164.99
INR	1.34	1.35

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
01-Mar-26	9.80-11.00	9.88
26-Feb-26	9.80-11.00	9.89

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	78.36	8.11%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	5,386.98	2.07%
Cotton, USD/lb.	65.61	0.38%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 2.47% on the last trading day, closing at 5,461.71 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 18.13% 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 0.16% gain.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.88%, standing between 9.80% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 8.11%, gold price rose by 2.07%, and cotton price rose by 0.38% last day.

Economic Outlook

BB plans to cut policy rate, experts urge caution

- Bangladesh Bank is considering cutting the policy interest rate by about 50 basis points to help reduce lending costs and support growth, but economists warn that lowering rates while inflation remains relatively high could risk reversing gains in price stability and should be approached with caution.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bb-plans-cut-policy-rate-experts-urge-caution-1374666>

T-bill yields slip below policy rate after 5 months

- Yields on Bangladesh's treasury bills (T-bills) fell below the central bank's policy (repo) rate of 10% for the first time in over five months – with 91-, 182- and 364-day yields around 9.9% – due mainly to ample liquidity in the banking system from strong remittance inflows and weak private credit demand.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/t-bill-yields-slip-below-policy-rate-after-5-months-1772389678>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Reliance Insurance profit dips 7.7pc in 2025, hit by Dhaka airport cargo village fire

- Reliance Insurance PLC reported that its profit for 2025 fell by about 7.7% to Tk 885.46 million largely because it paid out substantial insurance claims related to the October fire at the cargo village of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, though it still declared a 30 % cash dividend and saw some improvement in net asset value and cash flow.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/reliance-insurance-profit-dips-77pc-in-2025-hit-by-dhaka-airport-cargo-village-fire-1772390649>

Nagad, MTB sign agreement to expand interoperable digital transactions

- Nagad Limited and Mutual Trust Bank PLC signed an agreement to expand interoperable digital transaction services nationwide, under which MTB will serve as the settlement bank for NPSB and Bangla QR transactions on Nagad's mobile financial service platform, aiming to strengthen cashless payments and support Bangladesh's digital economy.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/nagad-mtb-sign-agreement-to-expand-interoperable-digital-transactions-1772391561>

Melita Mehjabeen made new National Bank chair, replacing Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo

- Professor Dr. Melita Mehjabeen has been elected as the new chairman of the board of directors of National Bank PLC, replacing Abdul Awal Mintoo, who stepped down because members of parliament are not allowed to serve as bank chairmen.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/national-bank-gets-new-chairman-replacing-minister-abdul-awal-mintoo-1374456>

Fuel & Power

Govt keeps fuel oil prices unchanged for March

- The government has kept the prices of per litre of diesel, kerosene, petrol and octane unchanged at Tk 100, Tk 112, Tk 116 and Tk 120 respectively for the month of March.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-keeps-fuel-oil-prices-unchanged-for-march-1772389802>

Capital Market

DSEX plunges 138 points as Middle East tensions rattle investors

- Stocks at the Dhaka bourse tumbled yesterday as escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East rattled investors, triggering broad-based selloffs and snapping the market's recent upward momentum.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dsex-plunges-over-100-points-middle-east-tensions-spook-investors-1373756>

Ring Shine Textile faces EPZ lease cancellation over \$16.19m in dues

- The Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA) has begun proceedings to cancel six additional lease agreements of Ring Shine Textile Limited for failure to clear outstanding dues.
- The Dhaka EPZ office recently issued a notice expressing its intention to terminate the lease of Plots No 157–163. Earlier, on 20 February 2025, BEPZA had cancelled leases for Plots No 231-236 on similar grounds.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ring-shine-textile-faces-epz-lease-cancellation-over-1619m-dues-1374521>

Protection rules on cards: Whistleblowers to get 25% of BSEC penalties

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has initiated the formulation of rules to ensure legal protection for whistleblowers, aiming to encourage greater disclosure of information about the capital market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/protection-rules-cards-whistleblowers-get-25-bsec-penalties-1374141>