

## Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,240.84
% change	-1.54%
DS30 Index	2,011.51
% change	-1.66%
DSES Index	1,048.72
% change	-1.30%
Turnover (BDT mn)	4,594.21
Turnover (USD mn)	37.52
% change	-21.11%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

## International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	-1.61%
S&P 500	6,830.71
% change	-0.56%
Nikkei 225	55,278.06
% change	-1.76%
FTSE 100	10,413.94
% change	-1.45%

Source: Investing.com

## Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Low (BDT)	High (BDT)
USD	122.35	122.45
EUR	142.15	142.27
GBP	164.08	164.25
INR	1.33	1.33

Source: BB

## Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
05-Mar-26	9.80-11.00	9.92
04-Mar-26	9.80-11.00	9.85

Source: BB

## Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	85.41	4.93%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	5,077.39	-1.14%
Cotton, USD/lb.	64.04	-0.19%

Source: Investing.com

## Market Summary

### Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 1.54% on the last trading day, closing at 5,240.84 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 21.11% 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 1.76% loss.

### Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.92%, standing between 9.80% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 4.93%, gold price fell by 1.14%, and cotton price fell by 0.19% last day.

## Economic Outlook

### Inflation outpaces wages, squeezing real incomes

- Inflation in Bangladesh is rising faster than wage growth (8.58% vs 8.08% in Jan 2026), reducing people's real purchasing power and putting pressure on household incomes.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/inflation-outpaces-wages-squeezing-real-incomes-4121936>

## Sectors

### Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

#### Bank deposit growth hits five-year high in 2025

- Bank deposits in Bangladesh grew 11.51% year-on-year to Tk 21 lakh crore in 2025, the highest growth in five years, reflecting a gradual recovery in public confidence in the banking sector.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bank-deposit-growth-hits-five-year-high-2025-4123076>

#### COMMUNITY BANK PARTNERS WITH GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE

- Community Bank Bangladesh PLC has signed a strategic partnership with Guardian Life Insurance Limited to provide integrated banking and insurance services to customers under the theme "One Partnership, Complete Protection."

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/community-bank-partners-with-guardian-life-insurance-1772900754>

## Capital Market

### DSEX loses 359 points last week amid Middle East tensions

- The benchmark index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) extended its losing streak last week as escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East rattled investor confidence and triggered broad-based selling.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dsex-loses-359-points-last-week-amid-middle-east-tensions-1379886>

### Unilever Consumer Care declares 420% cash dividend for 2025

- Unilever Consumer Care Limited has recommended a 420% cash dividend for its shareholders for the year ended 31 December 2025, according to a price-sensitive disclosure approved on 5 March.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/unilever-consumer-care-declares-420-cash-dividend-2025-1379881>

### Z-category stocks dominate weekly gainers despite market slump

- Despite a steep fall in the benchmark indices last week amid Middle East tensions, several Z-category stocks – commonly considered junk shares – dominated the gainers' chart on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/z-category-stocks-dominate-weekly-gainers-despite-market-slump-1379876>

### BSEC disapproves Yeakin Polymer sponsors' share acquisition over loan NOCs

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) did not approve the proposal for FCS Holdings Ltd to acquire the shares of Yeakin Polymer held by the company's sponsor directors because the required No Objection Certificates (NOCs) for defaulted loans were not provided.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-disapproves-yeakin-polymer-sponsors-share-acquisition-over-loan-nocs-1379866>