

Bangladesh Market

| Major Indices | Last closing |
|-------------------|--------------|
| DSEX Index | 5,141.41 |
| % change | 2.64% |
| DS30 Index | 1,975.86 |
| % change | 2.91% |
| DSES Index | 1,035.14 |
| % change | 2.14% |
| Turnover (BDT mn) | 4,160.49 |
| Turnover (USD mn) | 33.94 |
| % change | -21.78% |

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

| Major Indices | Last closing |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Dow Jones Industrial Average | 47,954.99 |
| % change | 0.50% |
| S&P 500 | 6,795.99 |
| % change | 0.83% |
| Nikkei 225 | 54,264.50 |
| % change | -2.44% |
| FTSE 100 | 10,249.52 |
| % change | -0.34% |

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

| Major Currencies | Low (BDT) | High (BDT) |
|------------------|-----------|------------|
| USD | 122.50 | 122.60 |
| EUR | 142.54 | 142.67 |
| GBP | 164.58 | 164.82 |
| INR | 1.33 | 1.33 |

Source: BB

Money market

| Date | Call Money Rate Range (%) | Weighted Average |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 09-Mar-26 | 10.00-11.00 | 10.38 |
| 08-Mar-26 | 9.90-11.00 | 10.17 |

Source: BB

Commodities

| Major Commodities | Price | % Change |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl. | 108.23 | 16.77% |
| Gold Spot, USD/t oz. | 5,075.81 | -1.84% |
| Cotton, USD/lb. | 64.62 | 0.65% |

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 2.64% on the last trading day, closing at 5,141.41 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 21.78% 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 2.44% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 10.38%, standing between 10.00% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 16.77%, gold price fell by 1.84%, and cotton price rose by 0.65% last day.

Economic Outlook

Taka weakening against dollar amid war tensions

- The Bangladeshi taka is weakening against the US dollar as rising geopolitical tensions (especially the Middle East war) increase demand for dollars, pushing the interbank exchange rate to about Tk122.49 per dollar and putting pressure on the foreign-exchange market.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/taka-weakening-against-dollar-amid-war-tensions-4124866>

BB eases repatriation rules for foreign investors

- Bangladesh Bank has eased rules so foreign investors can repatriate up to Tk100 crore from share sales or transfers without prior central bank approval, aiming to simplify procedures and attract more foreign investment.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-eases-repatriation-rules-foreign-investors-4124861>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

BB appoints observers to four banks

- Bangladesh Bank has appointed observers in National Bank Limited, Al-Arafah Islami Bank, Premier Bank Limited, and IFIC Bank Limited to closely monitor their operations, governance, and financial activities.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-appoints-observers-four-banks-4124876>

City Bank signs partnership deal with Toyota

- City Bank PLC signed an MoU with Toyota Bangladesh Limited to provide credit facilities and banking services—including trade finance, cash management, and payroll support—to strengthen Toyota's operations and investment in Bangladesh.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/city-bank-signs-partnership-deal-toyota-4124826>

BAB seeks relaxation on officials' bonuses, raises concern over IFRS-9 provisioning

- The Bangladesh Association of Banks (BAB) has asked Bangladesh Bank to relax restrictions on bank officials' bonuses and raised concerns that implementing IFRS 9 provisioning rules could be difficult for banks due to higher reserve requirements, especially after large loan rescheduling facilities.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/bab-seeks-relaxation-officials-bonuses-raises-concern-over-ifs-9-provisioning>

Fuel & Power

Iran won't block Bangladesh oil tankers

- Iran has agreed to provide Bangladeshi oil ships with safe passage as the Bangladesh government has intensified efforts to maintain a stable fuel supply through multiple strategic measures amid escalating conflict in the Middle East.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/energy/iran-wont-block-bangladesh-oil-tankers-1382346>

Capital Market

A day after bloodbath, stocks rebound

- A day after a massive bloodbath at the Dhaka bourse, stocks rebounded yesterday as the sell-off largely subsided and buyers dominated the market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/day-after-bloodbath-stocks-rebound-1382251>

BATBC stock slides 21% in four sessions on weak earnings, lower dividend

- The share price of British American Tobacco Bangladesh Company (BATBC) came under significant pressure after it reported a major loss and sharply reduced its dividend, triggering a negative investor reaction and a notable fall in the stock.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/batbc-stock-slides-21-four-sessions-weak-earnings-lower-dividend-1382241>