

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,316.18
% change	0.33%
DS30 Index	2,026.30
% change	0.56%
DSES Index	1,065.21
% change	-0.14%
Turnover (BDT mn)	9,824.21
Turnover (USD mn)	80.03
% change	11.06%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	-0.16%
S&P 500	7,165.08
% change	0.80%
Nikkei 225	59,716.18
% change	0.97%
FTSE 100	10,379.08
% change	-0.75%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	122.75	122.75
EUR	143.86	143.91
GBP	166.09	166.13
INR	1.30	1.30

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
26-Apr-26	9.85-11.00	10.02
23-Apr-26	9.85-11.00	9.98

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	101.27	-3.62%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,680.08	-0.29%
Cotton, USD/lb.	79.36	-0.11%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.33% on the last trading day, closing at 5,316.18 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 11.06% 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 0.97% gain.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 10.02%, standing between 9.85% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 3.62%, gold price fell by 0.29%, and cotton price fell by 0.11% last day.

Economic Outlook

Budget 2026-27: Double burden of minimum tax and tax deduction at source

- Businesses are being hit with a double tax burden as they pay both turnover-based minimum tax and TDS, even when profits are low or losses occur. This often locks up cash flow, pushes effective tax rates higher, and may discourage private investment unless the tax structure is reformed.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/budget-2026-27-double-burden-minimum-tax-and-tax-deduction-source-4161181>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

BRAC Bank posts 57% growth, records Tk2,251cr profit in 2025

- BRAC Bank posted a record Tk2,251 crore profit in 2025, up 57% YoY, becoming the first local private bank to cross Tk2,000 crore in profit. It also announced a higher 30% dividend (15% cash, 15% stock), supported by strong asset quality and investment income.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/brac-bank-posts-57-growth-records-tk2251cr-profit-2025-1422176>

NCC BANK, BIDA TO boost ONLINE INVESTMENT SERVICES

- NCC Bank signed an agreement with Bangladesh Investment Development Authority to strengthen online investment services, aiming to simplify banking support for both local and foreign investors through faster digital processes.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ncc-bank-bida-to-boost-online-investment-services-1777220572>

Reprivatisation or recapitalisation: BB weighs on options for five merged banks

- Bangladesh Bank is weighing reprivatisation or recapitalisation options for five recently merged weak banks, as authorities seek a long-term solution to restore financial stability without further burdening depositors.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/reprivatisation-or-recapitalisation-bb-weighs-options-five-merged-banks-1421341>

National Bank postpones board meeting, citing unavoidable circumstances

- National Bank postponed its board meeting citing “unavoidable circumstances,” delaying approval of its financial statements amid continued concerns over the bank’s governance and financial health.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/national-bank-postpones-board-meeting-citing-unavoidable-circumstances-1422336>

Capital Market

BSEC bans audit firms, partners over flawed financial reporting

- The securities regulator banned two audit firms and four partners over flawed financial reporting, signaling stricter oversight after auditors were found responsible for misleading disclosures and compliance failures.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-bans-audit-firms-partners-over-flawed-financial-reporting-1422306>

Akij Resources to acquire 30% stake in Dominage Steel Building

- Akij Resources acquired a 30% stake in Dominage Steel Building Systems to expand its footprint in the steel and infrastructure segment through strategic diversification.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/akij-resources-acquire-30-stake-dominage-steel-building-4161401>

Samorita Hospital in the red in Q3 amid stiff competition

- Samorita Hospital slipped into losses in Q3 due to rising operational costs and intense competition, despite growth in revenue.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/samorita-hospital-in-the-red-in-q3-amid-stiff-competition-1777220636>