

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,219.74
% change	-1.01%
DS30 Index	1,980.36
% change	-1.06%
DSES Index	1,059.58
% change	-0.55%
Turnover (BDT mn)	6,259.95
Turnover (USD mn)	51.00
% change	-13.04%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	-0.13%
S&P 500	6,582.69
% change	0.11%
Nikkei 225	52,463.27
% change	-3.18%
FTSE 100	10,436.29
% change	0.69%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	122.75	122.75
EUR	141.35	141.40
GBP	161.90	162.01
INR	1.32	1.32

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
02-Apr-26	9.50-11.00	9.78
01-Apr-26	9.70-11.00	9.89

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	109.03	7.78%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,676.42	-2.25%
Cotton, USD/lb.	70.92	0.23%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 1.01% on the last trading day, closing at 5,219.74 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 13.04% 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 3.18% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.78%, standing between 9.50% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 7.78%, gold price fell by 2.25%, and cotton price rose by 0.23% last day.

Economic Outlook

Cenbank moves for gradual devaluation to manage fuel shock

- Bangladesh Bank is allowing a gradual depreciation of the taka to manage rising fuel import costs, protect foreign reserves, and balance inflation risks amid the global oil price shock.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/cenbank-moves-gradual-devaluation-manage-fuel-shock-1401996>

Govt seeks Tk 200b in foreign grants

- The government is seeking around Tk 200 billion in foreign grants to support a major reform and development initiative, aiming to ease fiscal pressure and strengthen the economy amid external challenges.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/govt-seeks-tk-200b-in-foreign-grants-1775323800>

Nagad administrator promoted to executive director of Bangladesh Bank

- Md Motasem Billah, administrator of Nagad, has been promoted to Executive Director of Bangladesh Bank, marking a key personnel move within the central bank's leadership.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/nagad-administrator-promoted-executive-director-bangladesh-bank-1402416>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Deposit up to Tk 0.5m may get excise duty relief in next FY

- The government plans to waive excise duty on bank deposits up to Tk 0.5 million from the next fiscal year, aiming to benefit around 10 million small depositors and encourage formal banking despite some revenue loss.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/deposit-up-to-tk-05m-may-get-excise-duty-relief-in-next-fy-1775323519>

Eastern Bank partners with Shanta Life to roll out bancassurance services

- Eastern Bank PLC has partnered with Shanta Life Insurance PLC to launch bancassurance services, allowing customers to access life insurance products directly through banking channels and improving financial inclusion.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/eastern-bank-partners-shanta-life-roll-out-bancassurance-services-4143556>

Fuel and Power

Ship carrying 34,000 tonnes of diesel from Malaysia arrives

- The ship departed from Malaysia for Chattogram on March 29. Its local agent is Pride Shipping Lines. Managing Partner Nazrul Islam of the Shipping Lines mentioned that the ship is carrying a little over 34,000 tonnes of diesel, with 5-6,000 tonnes needing to be unloaded at the outer anchorage through lightening. This process will require at least two operations to complete. If all goes well, the ship is expected to dock at the Dolphin Jetty in Patenga on Sunday.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/ship-carrying-34000-tonnes-of-diesel-from-malaysia-arrives-1775323898>

RMG

Bangladesh overtakes China in RMG export to US

- Bangladesh overtook China in garment exports to the United States during the January-February period of 2026, as China lost its top position amid the impact of American reciprocal tariffs, according to data from the Office of Textiles and Apparel (OTEXA) released yesterday.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-overtakes-china-rmg-export-us-4143501>

Capital Market

Dhaka stocks extend losses last week amid fuel uncertainty

- The ongoing Middle East tensions and uncertainty surrounding the country's fuel supply have weighed heavily on the capital market, as weak investor confidence led to a return of downward momentum throughout last week, with broad-based selling pressure across most sectors.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-stocks-extend-losses-last-week-amid-fuel-uncertainty-1402606>

DSE cuts trading hours by 30 minutes amid fuel crisis

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has announced a reduction in its daily trading hours by 30 minutes in response to the ongoing fuel crisis, aligning its operational schedule with a government directive aimed at conserving energy.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-cuts-trading-hours-30-minutes-amid-fuel-crisis-1402316>

Politics, liquidity top investor worries as survey reveals cautious optimism for 2026 market

- Political uncertainty and liquidity stress have emerged as the biggest challenges facing Bangladesh's capital market in 2026, according to a comprehensive sentiment survey conducted by LankaBangla Securities, highlighting a cautious yet hopeful outlook among investors and market participants.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/politics-liquidity-top-investor-worries-survey-reveals-cautious-optimism-2026-market>

BSEC suspends assistant director Ibrahim Ali, initiates departmental proceedings

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has suspended Assistant Director Md Ibrahim Ali over allegations of misconduct and launched departmental proceedings against him.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/bsec-suspends-assistant-director-ibrahim-ali-initiates-departmental-proceedings-1402611>

Auditors flag 'going concern' threat for 37 listed companies

- A growing number of listed companies are facing serious questions over their financial viability after auditors raised "going concern" warnings for 37 firms, highlighting deep-rooted vulnerabilities within the capital market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/auditors-flag-going-concern-threat-37-listed-companies-1402596>