

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,298.58
% change	0.78%
DS30 Index	2,004.50
% change	1.02%
DSES Index	1,065.89
% change	0.30%
Turnover (BDT mn)	10,563.63
Turnover (USD mn)	86.06
% change	13.67%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	0.69%
S&P 500	7,137.90
% change	1.05%
Nikkei 225	59,932.50
% change	1.51%
FTSE 100	10,476.46
% change	-0.21%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	122.75	122.75
EUR	144.13	144.16
GBP	165.79	165.86
INR	1.31	1.31

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
22-Apr-26	9.85-11.00	9.97
21-Apr-26	9.50-11.00	9.94

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	101.91	3.48%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,727.98	-0.22%
Cotton, USD/lb.	78.64	-2.75%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.78% on the last trading day, closing at 5,298.58 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 13.67% 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 1.51% gain.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT appreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.97%, standing between 9.85% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 3.48%, gold price fell by 0.22%, and cotton price fell by 2.75% last day.

Economic Outlook

BB needs to avoid taking preemptive tighter monetary policy actions

- Bangladesh Bank should avoid tightening monetary policy too quickly in response to inflation driven by Middle East energy disruptions, as higher interest rates won't solve supply-side issues like costly oil and gas imports.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bb-needs-to-avoid-taking-preemptive-tighter-monetary-policy-actions-1776876166>

Reserves stand at \$30.46b

- Bangladesh's gross foreign exchange reserves rose to \$30.46 billion as of April 21, up from \$25.44 billion a year earlier, largely helped by stronger remittance inflows and tighter import payments.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/reserves-stand-3046b-1418041>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Rupali Bank's forced loans hit \$1.87b as financial health red flags mount

- Rupali Bank's forced loans surged 91.6% since 2021 to \$1.87 billion by end-2025, signalling severe asset-quality stress as importers failed to repay LC obligations on time. The bank has already paid foreign lenders, but many borrowers—mostly from the garment sector—have not repaid, raising the risk of these loans turning into defaults.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/rupali-banks-forced-loans-hit-187b-financial-health-red-flags-mount-1418036>

Capital Market

DSE turnover tops Tk1,000cr after two months as stocks extend gains

- Stocks at the Dhaka Stock Exchange extended their gains today (22 April), with turnover crossing the Tk1,000-crore mark for the first time in two months as investors increased purchases of oversold and fundamentally strong shares.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-turnover-tops-tk1000cr-after-two-months-stocks-extend-gains-1418881>

Grameenphone posts higher profit despite revenue decline in Q1

- Grameenphone, the country's largest telecom operator, reported a 4.40% year-on-year rise in net profit to Tk662 crore in the January-March quarter of 2025, up from Tk634 crore in the same period last year, even as revenue declined.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/telecom/grameenphone-posts-higher-profit-despite-revenue-decline-q1-1418871>

Ibn Sina posts 33% EPS growth in 9-month despite Q3 dip

- Ibn Sina Pharmaceutical Industry PLC reported a strong growth in earnings for the first nine months of the current fiscal year, despite a decline in its third-quarter performance.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ibn-sina-posts-33-eps-growth-9-month-despite-q3-dip-1418776>

Singer Bangladesh incurs Tk55.86cr loss in Q1

- According to its unaudited financials, the company's sales rose by 3.46% to Tk577.20 crore, up from Tk557.86 crore in the same period last year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/singer-bangladesh-incurs-tk5586cr-loss-q1-1418896>