

## Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,245.22
% change	0.03%
DS30 Index	1,981.67
% change	-0.45%
DSES Index	1,066.12
% change	0.08%
Turnover (BDT mn)	9,973.00
Turnover (USD mn)	81.25
% change	16.49%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

## International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	47,954.99
% change	0.75%
S&P 500	7,501.24
% change	0.77%
Nikkei 225	62,654.05
% change	-1.55%
FTSE 100	10,372.93
% change	0.46%

Source: Investing.com

## Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	122.75	122.75
EUR	143.74	143.75
GBP	165.98	166.01
INR	1.28	1.28

Source: BB

## Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
14-May-26	9.90-11.00	9.99
13-May-26	9.90-11.00	9.99

Source: BB

## Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	105.72	0.09%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,651.97	-0.95%
Cotton, USD/lb.	83.94	-3.31%

Source: Investing.com

## Market Summary

### Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.03% on the last trading day, closing at 5,245.22 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 16.49% 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 1.55% loss.

### Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.99%, standing between 9.90% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 0.09%, gold price fell by 0.95%, and cotton price fell by 3.31% last day.

## Economic Outlook

### Fuel supply normalises amid regional crisis

- Bangladesh's fuel supply has largely normalised despite regional energy market disruptions, as increased imports and resumed deliveries from regular suppliers eased shortages, reduced queues at petrol pumps, and improved nationwide fuel distribution while the government moves to strengthen strategic reserves.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/fuel-supply-normalises-amid-regional-crisis-1778952341>

### BB cuts penalty interest on overdue loans

- Bangladesh Bank has relaxed single-borrower lending limits, allowing banks to raise exposure to large businesses from 15% to 25% of capital, aiming to ease financing pressures, support trade activities, and improve credit flow despite concerns over rising concentration risks in the banking sector.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bb-eases-lending-limits-big-businesses-4176101>

### Govt to roll out new pay scale for public servants in phases from July

- The government plans to introduce a new pay scale for public servants in phases from July 2026, aiming to gradually raise salaries and allowances while easing fiscal pressure and managing inflationary risks through staggered implementation over multiple fiscal years.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/govt-roll-out-new-pay-scale-public-servants-phases-july-1441026>

## Sectors

### Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

#### NCC Bank eyes full Shariah transition within 4 years

- NCC Bank plans to fully transition to Shariah-based banking within four years by expanding Islamic branches and converting conventional operations, aiming to meet rising demand for Islamic financial services while strengthening digital banking and sustainable growth strategies.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ncc-bank-eyes-full-shariah-transition-within-4-years-1778949028>

#### Prime Bank posts 24pc profit growth in 2025

- Prime Bank reported a 24.31% year-on-year profit growth in 2025, with net profit reaching Tk 910 crore, supported by strong asset quality, prudent risk management, and regulatory compliance, while also announcing a 30% dividend payout for shareholders.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/prime-bank-posts-24pc-profit-growth-in-2025-1778949104>

#### IDLC declares 15pc cash and 5pc stock dividend at 41st AGM

- IDLC Finance shareholders approved a 15% cash dividend and 5% stock dividend for 2025 at the company's 41st AGM, reflecting strong financial performance, prudent risk management, and confidence in sustaining long-term growth amid evolving market conditions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/idlc-declares-15pc-cash-and-5pc-stock-dividend-at-41st-agm-1778949400>

## Capital Market

### Bargain hunting lifts DSEX to end losing streak despite blue-chip weakness

- The country's premier bourse witnessed a fluctuating trading week, as the benchmark index managed to edge higher and snap a persistent losing streak, supported by mid-week bargain hunting.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bargain-hunting-lifts-dsex-end-losing-streak-despite-blue-chip-weakness-1440991>

### Securities and Exchange Commission drafts stricter corporate governance framework for listed firms

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission) has published a draft of sweeping new corporate governance rules that introduce stricter oversight and tighter controls on listed companies, with a focus on strengthening transparency, accountability and investor protection in the capital market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/securities-and-exchange-commission-drafts-stricter-corporate-governance-framework>

### Bata Shoe posts Tk37cr profit in Q1

- Bata Shoe Company in Bangladesh, a listed company on the stock exchanges, has posted Tk37.12 crore in the first quarter of 2026, a slight increase from Tk36.83 crore in the same time of the previous year, according to its financial statements.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bata-shoe-posts-tk37cr-profit-q1-1439436>

### British American Tobacco Bangladesh cigarette sales fall 14%, Q1 profit drops 34%

- British American Tobacco (BAT) Bangladesh reported a sharp downturn in the first quarter of 2026, with cigarette sales volumes falling about 14% or 150.7 crore while profit plunging 34%, reflecting mounting pressure from inflation, higher taxes, and weaker consumer spending in Bangladesh.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/british-american-tobacco-bangladesh-cigarette-sales-fall-14-q1-profit-drops-34>

### Techno Drugs to issue Tk50cr bond to restructure high-cost debt

- Techno Drugs Limited has decided to issue a coupon-bearing bond worth Tk50 crore to restructure its high-cost bank loans, as the pharmaceutical company faces declining profits alongside a sharp rise in long-term debt.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/techno-drugs-issue-tk50cr-bond-restructure-high-cost-debt-1440986>

### Foreign investors pull out Tk124cr in April as risk-aversion intensifies

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) witnessed a massive retreat by international investors in April, as a combination of escalating global geopolitical tensions and persistent domestic structural hurdles triggered a wave of heavy selling.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/foreign-investors-pull-out-tk124cr-april-risk-aversion-intensifies-1440996>

### ICB seeks relief as BSEC tightens pressure on fund registration

- Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), the capital market regulator, has been strongly pushing up the Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB) to obtain registration for its oldest unit fund in a move to streamline fund monitoring.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/icb-seeks-relief-bsec-tightens-pressure-fund-registration-1439576>