

### Bangladesh Market

| Major Indices     | Last closing |
|-------------------|--------------|
| DSEX Index        | 5,784.37     |
| % change          | -0.34%       |
| DS30 Index        | 2,186.21     |
| % change          | -0.30%       |
| DSES Index        | 1,177.30     |
| % change          | -0.49%       |
| Turnover (BDT mn) | 7,806.39     |
| Turnover (USD mn) | 63.05        |
| % change          | -16.85%      |

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

### International Market

| Major Indices                | Last closing |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Dow Jones Industrial Average | 51,711.65    |
| % change                     | 0.46%        |
| S&P 500                      | 7,411.98     |
| % change                     | 0.05%        |
| Nikkei 225                   | 64,611.15    |
| % change                     | -2.73%       |
| FTSE 100                     | 10,736.23    |
| % change                     | 0.91%        |

Source: Investing.com

### Exchange rate

| Major Currencies | Bid (BDT) | Ask (BDT) |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| USD              | 123.79    | 123.82    |
| EUR              | 140.71    | 140.77    |
| GBP              | 164.88    | 165.03    |
| INR              | 1.28      | 1.28      |

Source: BB

### Money market

| Date      | Call Money Rate Range (%) | Weighted Average |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 26-Jul-26 | 9.40-11.00                | 9.62             |
| 23-Jul-26 | 9.50-11.00                | 9.77             |

Source: BB

### Commodities

| Major Commodities           | Price    | % Change |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl. | 87.51    | -13.09%  |
| Gold Spot, USD/t oz.        | 4,094.18 | 1.12%    |
| Cotton, USD/lb.             | 79.98    | -1.51%   |

Source: Investing.com

## Market Summary

### Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 0.34% on the last trading day, closing at 5,784.37 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 16.85% 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 2.73% loss.

## Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.62%, standing between 9.40% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 13.09%, gold price rose by 1.12%, and cotton price fell by 1.51% last day.

## **Economic Outlook**

### **Bangladesh collects only half as much corporate tax as peers**

- Bangladesh collects corporate tax equivalent to only 1.5–1.8% of GDP, around half the level of many peer economies, despite corporate tax contributing about a quarter of total tax revenue.
- The OECD attributes the weak corporate tax collection to generous tax exemptions, weak enforcement, and a large informal economy, limiting the government's revenue mobilization.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-collects-only-half-much-corporate-tax-peers-4233281>

### **Achieving SDGs by 2030 needs \$421b more**

- Bangladesh needs an additional \$421 billion by 2030 to achieve the SDGs, requiring stronger domestic resource mobilization, improved governance, and coordinated financing amid limited time and global economic uncertainty.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/achieving-sdgs-2030-needs-421b-more-4233246>

### **Govt bets on 15% export growth despite challenges**

- The government has set a 15% FY27 export growth target, aiming for \$55.2 billion in merchandise exports and \$8.2 billion in services exports. Economists and exporters caution that achieving the target will be challenging due to global trade uncertainty and persistent domestic constraints.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-bets-15-export-growth-despite-challenges-4233256>

### **Hasnat proposes shorter monetary policy cycle; BB governor calls it 'a very good suggestion'**

- A proposal to announce Bangladesh Bank's monetary policy every three months, instead of the existing six-month cycle, was raised today at the first meeting of the parliamentary standing committee.
- Bangladesh Bank Governor Mostaqur Rahman described the proposal for a three-month cycle as "a very good suggestion" and said it should be adopted.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/hasnat-proposes-shorter-monetary-policy-cycle-bb-governor-calls-it-very-good-suggestion-4233116>

## **Sectors**

### **Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance**

#### **Listed insurers post strong earnings growth in H1 2026**

- Most listed general insurance companies posted higher earnings in the first half of 2026, with eight of nine insurers reporting year-on-year growth in earnings per share (EPS), according to their unaudited financial disclosures published on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) website today (26 July).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/listed-insurers-post-strong-earnings-growth-h1-2026-1498806>

#### **Trust Bank reports Tk119cr profit in H1**

- Trust Bank PLC reported a consolidated net profit of Tk119.33 crore in the first half of 2026, down 11.81% year-on-year, according to the bank's price-sensitive information.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/trust-bank-reports-tk119cr-profit-h1-1498791>

## **Capital Market**

### **Dhaka stocks slip for third day as energy crisis, global risks weigh**

- The persistent downturn has significantly eroded market value, pushing the Dhaka Stock Exchange's (DSE) total market capitalisation below the psychological threshold of Tk7 lakh crore for the first time in recent weeks.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-stocks-slip-third-day-energy-crisis-global-risks-weigh-1498576>

### **RAK Ceramics turns around H1 performance, posts Tk2.28cr profit**

- RAK Ceramics (Bangladesh) Limited staged a turnaround in the first half (January-June) of 2026, returning to profit with Tk2.28 crore in earnings after posting a Tk21 crore loss in the same period a year earlier.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/rak-ceramics-turns-around-h1-performance-posts-tk228cr-profit-1498731>