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Daily News Snippet

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Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,839.77
% change	0.96%
DS30 Index	2,201.56
% change	0.70%
DSES Index	1,188.58
% change	0.96%
Turnover (BDT mn)	8,720.90
Turnover (USD mn)	70.43
% change	11.71%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	0.51%
S&P 500	7,413.18
% change	0.02%
Nikkei 225	63,521.50
% change	-1.69%
FTSE 100	10,781.75
% change	0.42%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	123.80	123.82
EUR	140.72	140.78
GBP	164.49	164.58
INR	1.29	1.29

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
27-Jul-26	9.40-11.00	9.62
26-Jul-26	9.40-11.00	9.62

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	85.87	-1.87%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,073.47	-0.51%
Cotton, USD/lb.	80.88	1.13%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.96% on the last trading day, closing at 5,839.77 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 11.71% 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 1.69% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable 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 1.87%, gold price fell by 0.51%, and cotton price fell by 1.13% last day.

Economic Outlook

S&P revises Bangladesh outlook to negative on rising economic risks

- S&P revised Bangladesh's sovereign outlook to "negative" from "stable" while affirming its B+/B credit ratings, citing rising economic and external risks.
- Persistent banking sector weaknesses, fiscal constraints, volatile energy markets, and global trade uncertainties could weaken Bangladesh's growth and external position over the next 12–18 months.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/sp-revises-bangladesh-outlook-negative-rising-economic-risks-4234451

Gas crisis may last 10-15 more days, says energy minister

- Repairs to the fire-damaged FSRU may take 10–15 more days, prolonging Bangladesh's gas shortage and disrupting industrial production and household gas supply.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/gas-crisis-may-last-10-15-more-days-says-energy-minister-1785175283

Development spending dips to a very worrying level

- Government agencies left over Tk 1 trillion of ADP funds unspent by May FY26, reflecting weak project implementation and raising concerns over slower economic growth and infrastructure development.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/development-spending-dips-to-a-very-worrying-level-1785175388

NBR eyes Tk 380b extra VAT from 10,000 firms

- The NBR plans to collect Tk 380 billion in additional VAT by intensifying compliance checks on 10,000 high-risk businesses and curbing tax evasion to meet FY27 revenue targets.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/nbr-eyes-tk-380b-extra-vat-from-10000-firms-1785176184

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

City Bank profit jumps 37pc in Q2 on investment gains

- City Bank's Q2 2026 net profit rose 37% YoY to Tk 2.85 billion, driven by higher investment income from government securities, stronger interest income, and increased commission and fee earnings.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/city-bank-profit-jumps-37pc-in-q2-on-investment-gains-1785174136

EBL posts 25% profit growth to Tk439cr in H1

- Eastern Bank's H1 2026 net profit grew 25% YoY to Tk439 crore, driven by higher investment income from government securities, stronger fee-based income, and improved operational efficiency.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/ebl-posts-25-profit-growth-tk439cr-h1-1499646

Anis Ahmed elected chairman of Eastern Bank

- Anis Ahmed has been elected Chairman of Eastern Bank PLC (EBL), succeeding from July 27 after previously serving on the bank's Executive Committee and chairing its Risk Management Committee.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/anis-ahmed-elected-chairman-eastern-bank-4234041

Capital Market

DSEX snaps losing streak as market cap reclaims Tk7 lakh crore

- The country's premier bourse returned to positive territory today (27 July), snapping a three-day corrective spell as bargain hunters moved in to scoop up attractively valued shares.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dsex-snaps-losing-streak-market-cap-reclaims-tk7-lakh-crore-1499641

DSE opens electronic subscription platform for retail investors under new 'Private Investor' category

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has expanded its electronic subscription system (ESS) by introducing a new "Private Investor (PI)" category, allowing general investors to participate in the primary subscription of various financial instruments.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-opens-electronic-subscription-platform-retail-investors-under-new-private

Bata Bangladesh stages massive turnaround with 238% profit surge in Q2

- According to the company's unaudited financial statements for the April-June 2026 quarter, approved during a board of directors meeting today (27 July), the multinational footwear major recorded a total revenue of Tk188.98 crore. This represents a healthy 19% increase compared to the Tk158.8 crore earned during the same period in 2025.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bata-bangladesh-stages-massive-turnaround-238-profit-surge-q2-1499636

Linde Bangladesh H1 profit rises on higher gross margin

- Linde Bangladesh PLC, a multinational company listed on the country's stock exchanges, reported a 3.67% year-on-year increase in net profit for the first half of 2026, supported by a higher gross margin despite weaker second-quarter earnings.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/linde-bangladesh-h1-profit-rises-higher-gross-margin-1499651