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Daily News Snippet

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Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,878.85
% change	-0.36%
DS30 Index	2,210.73
% change	-0.39%
DSES Index	1,191.94
% change	-0.79%
Turnover (BDT mn)	13,425.17
Turnover (USD mn)	108.42
% change	6.47%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	-2.19%
S&P 500	7,316.15
% change	-1.52%
Nikkei 225	61,494.50
% change	0.29%
FTSE 100	10,908.41
% change	0.34%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	123.82	123.82
EUR	141.96	142.02
GBP	165.54	165.58
INR	1.29	1.29

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
29-Jul-26	9.00-11.00	9.67
28-Jul-26	9.40-11.00	9.65

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	88.09	4.33%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,084.74	1.40%
Cotton, USD/lb.	79.53	-1.01%

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

BB paves way for PayPal, Payoneer-style cross-border digital payment services

- Bangladesh Bank introduced a new framework enabling banks to partner with platforms like PayPal and Payoneer, simplifying cross-border payments, remittances, and digital trade.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-bank-paves-way-paypal-payoneer-style-cross-border-payment-services-1501241

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Depositors of merging banks can withdraw up to Tk 10 lakh

- Bangladesh Bank raised the emergency withdrawal limit for depositors of five merging Islamic banks to Tk 10 lakh, expanding access beyond medical needs to other urgent expenses.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/depositors-merging-banks-can-withdraw-tk-10-lakh-4235771

Foreign banks’ lending fell 11% in 2025

- Foreign banks' lending in Bangladesh declined 11% in 2025, reflecting weak credit demand, cautious risk management, and slower business activity amid economic uncertainty.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/foreign-banks-lending-fell-11-2025-4235796

BRAC Bank profit jumps 73% in Q2

- BRAC Bank's Q2 2026 consolidated profit surged 73% YoY to Tk 728 crore, driven by higher interest and investment income, lifting first-half profit 57%.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/brac-bank-profit-jumps-73-q2-4235731

National Bank MD resigns

- National Bank Managing Director Adil Chowdhury resigned, citing personal reasons, less than a year after joining the troubled lender, creating fresh uncertainty over its leadership.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/national-bank-md-resigns-4235726

IPDC finance reports 37.6pc profit growth in first half of 2026

- IPDC Finance reported 37.6% YoY growth in H1 2026 net profit to Tk20.7 crore, driven by higher net interest income, treasury gains, and disciplined cost management.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/ipdc-finance-reports-376pc-profit-growth-in-first-half-of-2026-1785347323

NRBC Bank operating profit posts 21pc growth

- NRBC Bank's operating profit grew 21% YoY to Tk155 crore in H1 2026, while net profit surged 705% to Tk50 crore, supported by higher investment income and deposit growth.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/nrbc-bank-operating-profit-posts-21pc-growth-1785347807

IDLC Finance logs 26% profit growth in H1 as asset quality improves

- IDLC Finance PLC, the country's leading non-bank financial institution (NBFI), reported a consolidated net profit of Tk137 crore for the first half of 2026, up 26% year-on-year, despite a challenging macroeconomic environment.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/idlc-finance-logs-26-profit-growth-h1-asset-quality-improves-1501546

UCB H1 profit jumps 90% to Tk34cr on subsidiary earnings, lower provisioning

- United Commercial Bank (UCB) reported a 90% year-on-year increase in consolidated net profit to Tk34.04 crore in the first half of 2026, driven by stronger contributions from its subsidiaries and a sharp decline in loan-loss provisioning.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/ucb-h1-profit-jumps-90-tk34cr-subsidiary-earnings-lower-provisioning-1501531

Capital Market

Marico declares 500pc interim cash dividend

- Marico Bangladesh has declared a 500 per cent interim cash dividend based on audited financial statements for the three-month period ended in June this year.
- However, the company's net profit dropped nearly 13 per cent year-on-year to Tk 1.70 billion for April-June this year, due to higher input costs and lower net finance income.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/marico-declares-500pc-interim-cash-dividend-1785347276

Berger Paints to invest Tk20cr in wholly owned subsidiary

- Berger Paints Bangladesh has decided to invest Tk20 crore in the ordinary share capital of its wholly owned subsidiary, Jenson & Nicholson (Bangladesh) Limited, according to a disclosure published on the stock exchanges today (29 July).

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/berger-paints-invest-tk20cr-wholly-owned-subsidiary-1501551

LafargeHolcim Bangladesh posts Tk104.5cr Q2 profit on aggregates, pricing strength

- LafargeHolcim Bangladesh PLC has reported a resilient financial performance for the second quarter ended June 2026, with its net profit after tax rising by 8% year-on-year to reach Tk104.5 crore.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/lafargeholcim-bangladesh-posts-tk1045cr-profit-q2-aggregates-pricing-power-fuel

Unilever Consumer Care approves Tk150cr loan facility for Unilever Bangladesh; Q2 earnings decline

- Unilever Consumer Care Ltd has approved, in principle, an unsecured intercompany loan facility of up to Tk150 crore in favour of related party Unilever Bangladesh Limited (UBL) to support its working capital requirements.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/unilever-consumer-care-approves-tk150cr-loan-facility-unilever-bangladesh-q2-earnings

Unilever Consumer profit plunges 48% in H1 as inflation squeezes sales

- Unilever Consumer Care Limited, maker of health food drinks Horlicks and Boost, reported a sharp earnings decline in the first half of 2026 as slowing sales and persistently high food inflation squeezed consumer spending.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/unilever-consumer-profit-plunges-48-h1-inflation-squeezes-sales-1501566