

### Bangladesh Market

| Major Indices     | Last closing |
|-------------------|--------------|
| DSEX Index        | 5,897.27     |
| % change          | -0.11%       |
| DS30 Index        | 2,200.50     |
| % change          | -0.18%       |
| DSES Index        | 1,180.79     |
| % change          | -0.15%       |
| Turnover (BDT mn) | 10,737.31    |
| Turnover (USD mn) | 86.89        |
| % change          | -3.74%       |

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

### International Market

| Major Indices                | Last closing |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Dow Jones Industrial Average | 51,711.65    |
| % change                     | -0.38%       |
| S&P 500                      | 7,748.50     |
| % change                     | -0.06%       |
| Nikkei 225                   | 68,362.50    |
| % change                     | 2.08%        |
| FTSE 100                     | 10,833.15    |
| % change                     | -0.27%       |

Source: Investing.com

### Exchange rate

| Major Currencies | Bid (BDT) | Ask (BDT) |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| USD              | 123.42    | 123.57    |
| EUR              | 142.43    | 142.65    |
| GBP              | 166.67    | 166.94    |
| INR              | 1.29      | 1.29      |

Source: BB

### Money market

| Date      | Call Money Rate Range (%) | Weighted Average |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 12-Aug-26 | 9.20-11.00                | 9.33             |
| 11-Aug-26 | 9.25-11.00                | 9.37             |

Source: BB

### Commodities

| Major Commodities           | Price    | % Change |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl. | 88.98    | 0.08%    |
| Gold Spot, USD/t oz.        | 4,414.41 | 0.98%    |
| Cotton, USD/lb.             | 84.38    | -0.01%   |

Source: Investing.com

## Market Summary

### Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 0.11% on the last trading day, closing at 5,897.27 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 3.74% on the last trading day.

### Global Market

- The majority of the leading global indices fell during the last trading day.
- One of the leading Asian market indices, NIKKEI 225, posted a 2.08% gain.

## Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.33%, standing between 9.20% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 0.08%, gold price rose by 0.98%, and cotton price fell by 0.01% last day.

## **Economic Outlook**

### **Govt plans to shift fiscal year from July-June to April-March**

- The government is considering shifting Bangladesh's fiscal year from July–June to April–March to improve the planning and implementation of development projects, which are often disrupted by the monsoon season.
- The finance ministry is reviewing the legal, tax, accounting, and budgetary changes required for the transition, with the proposal expected to be introduced from the next fiscal year if approved by the cabinet committee.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/bangladesh/govt-plans-shift-fiscal-year-july-june-april-march-1513576>

### **Bangladesh seeks alternative financing to address \$421b SDG funding gap: FinMin**

- Bangladesh is seeking alternative financing mechanisms to bridge a \$421 billion SDG funding gap, emphasizing blended finance, public-private partnerships, and private-sector investment.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/bangladesh-seeks-alternative-financing-address-421b-sdg-funding-gap-finmin-1513306>

## **Sectors**

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

#### **ICB to propose fund-raising via public asset securitisation**

- ICB plans to raise funds by securitising major public assets, starting with Jamuna Bridge, through Sukuk bonds backed by future toll revenues.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/icb-to-propose-fund-raising-via-public-asset-securitisation-1786552340>

### **Capital Market**

#### **Dhaka stocks slip as margin rule concerns dampen rally**

- Dhaka stocks edged lower today (12 August) as investors booked profits following a recent rally, while caution over potential changes to margin lending rules, along with persistent macroeconomic and geopolitical uncertainties, weighed on market sentiment.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-stocks-slip-margin-rule-concerns-dampen-rally-1513471>

#### **World's largest sovereign fund trims Bangladesh exposure as Norway's 'Oil Fund' investment hits six-year low**

- Market analysts suggest that this divestment is not necessarily a reflection of the fundamental performance of the individual companies, many of which remain highly profitable. Instead, the retreat is attributed to systemic and structural challenges within the Bangladeshi economy.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/worlds-largest-sovereign-fund-trims-bangladesh-exposure-norways-oil-fund-investment>

#### **BSEC to probe allegations of irregularities against DSE top officials**

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has initiated an investigation into allegations of financial mismanagement, corporate governance failures, irregular recruitment and securities trading involving senior officials of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-probe-allegations-irregularities-against-dse-top-officials-1513251>