

Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,598.08
% change	-0.29%
DS30 Index	2,113.24
% change	-0.42%
DSES Index	1,124.49
% change	-0.32%
Turnover (BDT mn)	4,772.47
Turnover (USD mn)	38.80
% change	-7.87%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	-0.70%
S&P 500	7,686.14
% change	-0.33%
Nikkei 225	65,826.50
% change	-0.87%
FTSE 100	10,824.26
% change	0.00%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	122.85	123.00
EUR	142.70	142.91
GBP	166.42	166.68
INR	1.29	1.29

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
31-Aug-26	9.00-11.00	9.32
30-Aug-26	9.00-11.00	9.18

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	88.37	-1.50%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,452.37	-0.05%
Cotton, USD/lb.	93.14	1.93%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

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- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 0.29% on the last trading day, closing at 5,598.08 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 7.87% 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 0.87% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT was stable against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.32%, standing between 9.00% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 1.50%, gold price fell by 0.05%, and cotton price rose by 1.93% last day.

Economic Outlook

Bangladesh to get slight tariff edge over China, Vietnam in US

- Bangladesh's effective US tariff stands at 25.6%, below China's 35.6% and Vietnam's 28.1%, offering a slight competitive edge, though energy and logistics challenges may limit gains.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/bangladesh-get-slight-tariff-edge-over-china-vietnam-us-4261556>

Govt service-holders' basic salary raised by up to 142pc

- Government approved the National Pay Scale 2026, raising basic salaries by 100–142%, with implementation in three phases from July 2026 to July 2027.
- The Tk 1.06 trillion annual cost may intensify inflation and government borrowing, potentially straining fiscal stability and private-sector credit conditions.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-service-holders-basic-salary-raised-by-up-to-142pc-1788199593>

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Govt's bank borrowing exceeds FY26 target by over Tk 47,500cr

- Government borrowing from banks reached Tk 165,538 crore in FY26, exceeding the revised target by Tk 47,538 crore amid weak revenue collection and declining foreign financing.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govts-bank-borrowing-exceeds-fy26-target-over-tk-47500cr-4261546>

Govt seeking strategic partner in Muslim countries for Sammilito Islami Bank

- Government seeks strategic investors from Muslim-majority countries for Sammilito Islami Bank to address its severe capital shortfall, high NPLs and ensure full repayment of depositors through stronger financial support.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/govt-seeking-strategic-partner-muslim-countries-sammilito-islami-bank-1529871>

Capital Market

Investors' confidence melts down as DSEX loses 306 points in 13 sessions

- Investor confidence in Bangladesh's stock market is weakening as persistent selling pressure, weak fresh fund inflows and concerns over the economic outlook continue to weigh on market activity.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/investors-confidence-melts-down-dsex-loses-306-points-13-sessions-1529801>

BSEC promises T+1 settlement, AI surveillance, fundamental listing

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has unveiled an ambitious roadmap to rescue the country's capital market from a decade of stagnation, promising to dismantle the "analog" hurdles of the "paper age" and transition into a technology-driven institutional powerhouse.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bsec-promises-t1-settlement-ai-surveillance-fundamental-listing-1529766>

BSEC to roll out direct listing framework in a month: Chief Masud Khan

- The securities regulator is set to finalise the direct listing framework within a month, allowing well-governed private companies, state-owned enterprises and multinational firms to enter the stock market by bypassing the need to float an IPO.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/bsec-to-roll-out-direct-listing-framework-in-a-month-chief-masud-khan-1788194174>

Akij Resources to acquire Dominage Steel at Tk 13 a share

- The securities regulator has given its permission to Dominage Steel Building Systems to transfer 30.78 million ordinary shares to Akij Resources and two individuals, resulting in a significant reshuffling of the company's ownership.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/akij-resources-to-acquire-dominage-steel-at-tk-13-a-share-1788194219>