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Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,433.27
% change	0.87%
DS30 Index	2,096.26
% change	0.40%
DSES Index	1,054.49
% change	0.74%
Turnover (BDT mn)	4,409.54
Turnover (USD mn)	35.56
% change	9.28%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	0.22%
S&P 500	7,743.98
% change	0.88%
Nikkei 225	64,416.00
% change	3.58%
FTSE 100	10,694.50
% change	-0.68%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	123.99	123.99
EUR	138.27	138.32
GBP	165.22	165.27
INR	1.30	1.30

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
28-Oct-26	8.60-11.00	9.15
27-Oct-26	8.60-11.00	9.26

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	111.64	2.04%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	4,067.66	0.18%
Cotton, USD/lb.	78.15	0.12%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.87% on the last trading day, closing at 5,433.27 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 9.28% 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 3.58% gain.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.16%, standing between 8.60% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures rose by 2.04%, gold price rose by 0.18%, and cotton price rose by 0.12% on the last trading day.

Economic Outlook

BBS preps to adjust GDP series for new fiscal calendar

- Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics is preparing to adjust GDP estimates as Bangladesh shifts to an April-March fiscal year from 2028-29, requiring historical data revisions and comparable growth calculations during transition.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bbs-preps-to-adjust-gdp-series-for-new-fiscal-calendar-1793213128

Savings certificate sales on the rise, likely to exceed budget target as bank deposit rates fall

- Bangladesh's savings certificate net sales reached Tk2,463 crore in July-August, potentially exceeding FY27's budget target by Tk6,279 crore as falling bank deposit rates drive savers towards higher-return government-backed investments.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/savings-certificate-sales-rise-likely-exceed-budget-target-bank-deposit-rates-fall

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Firms linked to UCB chairman eye Tk 100cr bank stake

- Two companies linked to UCB Chairman Sharif Zahir plan to buy 11.2 crore shares worth Tk103.04 crore after Bangladesh Bank relaxed ownership limits, allowing investors to hold up to 30% of capital.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/firms-linked-ucb-chairman-eye-tk-100cr-bank-stake-4310096

IDLC Finance's Q3 profit up 17pc on improved asset quality

- IDLC Finance's third-quarter profit rose 17% year-on-year, supported by improved asset quality. Better loan recovery and lower credit risk helped strengthen earnings, reflecting progress in managing its financing portfolio.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/idlc-finances-q3-profit-up-17pc-on-improved-asset-quality-1793208279

Capital Market

Ending two-year vacuum, Confidence Power steps in to raise Tk400cr

- Following an IPO hiatus of more than two years amid political changes and structural reforms to capital-raising regulations, Confidence Power and Energy PLC has broken the silence by filing an application with the capital market regulator and stock exchanges to raise Tk400 crore.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ending-two-year-vacuum-confidence-power-steps-raise-tk400cr-1586171

BBS, ISN downgraded to Z category for failing to declare dividends

- Bangladesh Building Systems PLC (BBS) and Information Services Network Ltd (ISN) have been downgraded from the "B" category to the "Z" category after failing to declare dividends for two consecutive years.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bbs-isn-downgraded-z-category-failing-declare-dividends-1586146

BAT Bangladesh's Q3 profit plunges 67% to Tk99.84 crore

- British American Tobacco (BAT) Bangladesh PLC's net profit fell 67.28% year on year to Tk99.84 crore in the July-September quarter of 2026, as lower revenue and higher operating expenses weighed on earnings.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bat-bangladeshs-q3-profit-plunges-67-tk9984-crore-1586076

Robi posts Tk747cr profit in nine months

- Robi Axiata PLC, the country's second-largest mobile operator, reported a profit of Tk746.5 crore in the first nine months of 2026, supported by revenue growth, rising data usage and improved operational efficiency.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/robi-posts-tk747cr-profit-nine-months-1585686

United Power: Reduced power generation causes revenue slide

- United Power Generation & Distribution Company's profit fell 23 per cent year-on-year to Tk 9.24 billion in FY26, as lower revenue and higher financing costs weighed on earnings.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/united-power-reduced-power-generation-causes-revenue-slide-1793208237