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Daily News Snippet

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Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,333.58
% change	-0.96%
DS30 Index	2,042.14
% change	-1.27%
DSES Index	1,037.81
% change	-0.78%
Turnover (BDT mn)	4,182.24
Turnover (USD mn)	33.63
% change	-13.27%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	0.41%
S&P 500	7,541.40
% change	-0.51%
Nikkei 225	63,081.86
% change	-0.33%
FTSE 100	10,761.33
% change	0.29%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	124.35	124.35
EUR	139.09	139.14
GBP	166.69	166.73
INR	1.31	1.31

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
02-Nov-26	9.00-11.00	9.28
01-Nov-26	9.00-11.00	9.25

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	104.77	-6.09%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	3,947.67	1.27%
Cotton, USD/lb.	77.66	-0.22%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, fell by 0.96% on the last trading day, closing at 5,333.58 points.
- The daily turnover fell by 13.27% 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 0.33% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.28%, standing between 9.00% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 6.09%, gold price rose by 1.27%, and cotton price fell by 0.22% on the last trading day.

Economic Outlook

Money market rates fell in Sept as liquidity eased

- Bangladesh's money market rates declined in September as liquidity improved. Average call money and repo rates fell to 8.86% and 8.90%, respectively, indicating easing short-term borrowing pressures.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/money-market-rates-fell-sept-liquidity-eased-4313986

Private sector credit growth slips to lowest on record

- Bangladesh's private sector credit growth fell to a historic low of 4.17% in September, reflecting weak investment demand, high borrowing costs, energy shortages and banks' cautious lending amid rising bad loans.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/private-sector-credit-growth-slips-lowest-record-4314001

AmCham eyes $5b fresh US investment in 5 yrs

- AmCham Bangladesh aims to attract an additional $5 billion in US investment over five years, focusing on energy, ICT, manufacturing and financial services. Energy security remains crucial to achieving the target.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade-market/amcham-eyes-5b-fresh-us-investment-in-5-yrs-1793637721

LPG price hiked again-

- The government has adjusted the price of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) upward for November, setting the new rate of a 12kg cylinder at Tk 2,060.
- With the latest raise, LPG retailers will sell a 12kg LPG cylinder at Tk 2,060, up from the previous price of Tk 1,837, said Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC) secretary Md Nazrul Islam Sarkar on Monday.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/lpg-price-hiked-again-1793641945

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

Muslim Chowdhury joins BRAC Bank as independent director

- Mohammad Muslim Chowdhury, former Finance Secretary and Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh, has joined BRAC Bank as an independent director, bringing extensive expertise in banking, public finance and governance.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/muslim-chowdhury-joins-brac-bank-as-independent-director-1793638488

Capital Market

DSEX plunges to five-month low as earnings jitters and macro uncertainty spark sell-off

- The country's benchmark stock index fell to a five-month low today (2 November) as investors remained cautious amid ongoing third-quarter earnings disclosures and rising domestic and global uncertainties, triggering widespread sell-offs.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dsex-plunges-five-month-low-earnings-jitters-and-macro-uncertainty-spark-sell-1590801

Drug makers post double-digit profit growth in FY26 on strong demand

- The leading drug makers posted double-digit profit growth year-on-year in FY26, supported by strong sales amid sustained demand for medicines both at home and abroad.
- Sales of lifesaving drugs increased due to strong local demand, while leading companies successfully managed to keep operating costs down, securing higher bottom-line growth, say industry insiders.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/drug-makers-post-double-digit-profit-growth-in-fy26-on-strong-demand-1793638337

GQ Ball Pen posts Q1 profit on non-operating income despite manufacturing losses

- GQ Ball Pen Industries Limited, maker of the once-popular Econo-branded ballpoint pen, returned to profit in the July-September quarter of FY27, posting earnings per share (EPS) of Tk0.06, compared to loss per share of Tk0.51 in the same period a year earlier.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/gq-ball-pen-posts-q1-profit-non-operating-income-despite-manufacturing-losses-1590816

Higher royalty payments could squeeze Reckitt Benckiser's margins

- Reckitt Benckiser (Bangladesh) has revised its licensing arrangements with three foreign entities of its parent group, setting a uniform royalty rate of 6 per cent of net revenue for selected brands, a move that may increase costs and put pressure on its profitability.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/higher-royalty-payments-could-squeeze-reckitt-benckisers-margins-1793638367