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Daily News Snippet

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Bangladesh Market

Major Indices	Last closing
DSEX Index	5,463.28
% change	0.05%
DS30 Index	2,075.42
% change	-0.13%
DSES Index	1,068.93
% change	0.38%
Turnover (BDT mn)	7,987.38
Turnover (USD mn)	64.03
% change	8.05%

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange

International Market

Major Indices	Last closing
Dow Jones Industrial Average	51,711.65
% change	-1.41%
S&P 500	7,416.59
% change	-1.92%
Nikkei 225	59,233.00
% change	-3.12%
FTSE 100	10,881.55
% change	-0.19%

Source: Investing.com

Exchange rate

Major Currencies	Bid (BDT)	Ask (BDT)
USD	124.75	124.75
EUR	137.18	137.21
GBP	164.45	164.53
INR	1.33	1.33

Source: BB

Money market

Date	Call Money Rate Range (%)	Weighted Average
16-Nov-26	9.05-11.00	9.25
15-Nov-26	8.90-11.00	9.13

Source: BB

Commodities

Major Commodities	Price	% Change
Brent Crude (Oil), USD/bbl.	92.44	-3.24%
Gold Spot, USD/t oz.	3,856.65	-1.12%
Cotton, USD/lb.	77.00	-2.26%

Source: Investing.com

Market Summary

Bangladesh Market

- The leading bourse of the country, DSEX, rose by 0.05% on the last trading day, closing at 5,463.28 points.
- The daily turnover rose by 5.75% 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 3.12% loss.

Key Macro Indicators

- The BDT depreciated against the majority of the currencies.
- The average overnight rate stood at 9.25%, standing between 9.05% and 11.00%.
- The price of oil futures fell by 3.24%, gold price fell by 1.12%, and cotton price fell by 2.26 on the last trading day.

Economic Outlook

BB sells $100m more to keep forex mkt stable

- Bangladesh Bank sold another $100 million to around 20 commercial banks at Tk124.50 per dollar through an auction to stabilise the forex market amid rising import-payment demand. Total sales exceeded $550 million.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bb-sells-100m-more-to-keep-forex-mkt-stable-1794853565

New strategies adopted as external debt repayments may reach $7.6b/year: Titumir

- Bangladesh plans to strengthen debt management through a dedicated Debt Management Office, new Public Debt Act and diversified financing, including sukuk and PPPs, as annual external debt repayments could reach $7.6 billion.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/govt-adopts-new-strategies-external-debt-repayments-may-reach-76byear-1604816

Sectors

Banks, NBFIs, and Insurance

NPLs hit Tk5.97 lakh crore, 32.17% of total loans: FinMin

- Bangladesh's defaulted loans declined by Tk9,400 crore in September to Tk5.97 lakh crore, but still represented 32.17% of total outstanding loans, highlighting persistent banking-sector weaknesses despite recovery initiatives.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/defaulted-loans-fall-tk9400cr-q3-tk597-lakh-crore-finmin-1604801

Capital Market

Islami Bank lifts DSEX amid broad market sell-off

- Despite heavy selling pressure across the Dhaka bourse today (16 November), a sharp rally in Islami Bank Bangladesh alone added around 14 points to the DSEX, keeping the benchmark index afloat as trading in the lender's shares halted at the upper circuit amid a severe shortage of sellers.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/islami-bank-lifts-dsex-amid-broad-market-sell-1604796

Acme Pesticides' Q1 loss narrows 40% as revenue rises

- The listed agrochemical company reported a loss of Tk75 lakh, or Tk0.06 per share, for July-September 2026, down from Tk1.37 crore, or Tk0.10 per share, in the same period a year earlier.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/acme-pesticides-q1-loss-narrows-40-revenue-rises-1604786

Rising costs, inefficiencies weigh on listed state-owned firms' Q1 earnings

- According to financial statements published on the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), 20 state-owned companies, including Rupali Bank, are currently listed on the capital market, with a combined market capitalisation of Tk23,211 crore, accounting for 3.46% of the DSE's total equity market capitalisation.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/rising-costs-inefficiencies-weigh-listed-state-owned-firms-q1-earnings-1604781

Best Holdings' profit drops 24.5%, shares jump 7.09% after dividend announcement

- Best Holdings PLC, an operator of hotels and hospitality businesses, reported a 24.5% year-on-year decline in consolidated net profit to Tk24.36 crore in FY2025-26, from Tk32.28 crore a year earlier.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/best-holdings-profit-drops-245-shares-jump-709-after-dividend-announcement-1604751

Orion Infusion swings to loss in Q1 on lower sales

- The company posted a loss of Tk 1.42 million in Q1 FY27, against a profit of Tk 11.06 million in the same quarter of the previous year. The decline in revenue was caused by continued constraints on the import of raw materials, the company said, without clarifying what the constraints were. They adversely affected production capacity, operational activities and overall business performance.

https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/orion-infusion-swings-to-loss-in-q1-on-lower-sales-1794846952