



DSEX 5,227.75  0.49% 

CSCX 9,055.67  -0.23% 

Gold (Ounce)  \$ 4,174.60 

Oil (Barrel)  \$ 63.34 

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Dollar  122.00   123.00 

GBP  157.00   165.00 

Euro  137.00   142.00 

Rupee  1.38   1.45 





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## MACROECONOMY

### LC OPENINGS SURGE TO \$6.3B IN SEPTEMBER, REVERSING EIGHT-MONTH SLUMP

- The value of Letters of Credit (LCs) opened in Bangladesh stood at \$6.3 billion in September, marking a 17.29% increase from August, according to Bangladesh Bank's Monthly Economic Indicators report.
- The report shows that in August 2025, importers opened LCs worth \$5.38 billion. With September's rise, import activity has increased after eight months, though it remains below January 2025's figure of \$6.84 billion.
- Bankers attribute the growth to an adequate supply of dollars in commercial banks and the central bank's relaxation of stringent conditions on all types of imports.

Source: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/lc-openings-surge-63b-september-reversing-eight-month-slump-1259961>

## BANK & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

### CONVENTIONAL BANKS RACE TO FILL ISLAMIC BANKING VOID

- Conventional banks go jockeying to seize switching clientele through unconventional Islamic-banking operations as a vast market emerges as spinoffs from merger of five financially weakened shariah-based lenders, sources say.
- The readied merger of the five unconventional banks under reform recipes pursued by the Bangladesh Bank (BB) prompt the clients of Islamic banking to look for alternative but compliant lenders for their deposits.
- In the changing paradigm, the mainline banks are now in competition to allure the switching depositors with either expanding their Islamic windows and branches or moving to convert to full-fledged Islamic lending entities.

Source: <https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/conventional-banks-race-to-fill-islamic-banking-void>

### STRONG GROWTH IN FARM LOAN AS DISBURSEMENT HITS TK 26.72B

- Disbursement of agricultural loans rose notably in August of the current fiscal year, reflecting higher demand for seasonal credit amid ongoing efforts to boost rural productivity.
- According to the latest data from Bangladesh Bank (BB), farm-loan disbursement stood at Tk48.26 billion during July-August of the fiscal year (FY) 2025-26, marking a 24.7 per cent year-on-year rise from Tk 38.70 billion disbursed in the same period of the FY2024-25. In August alone, banks disbursed Tk26.72 billion in agricultural credit, compared to Tk20.80 billion in August 2024, showing a 28.4 per cent increase.
- Stakeholders said the rise in agricultural loan disbursement reflects farmers' growing need for institutional credit amid higher input costs and expanding cultivation areas. They also noted that banks have become more proactive in reaching rural borrowers following the central bank's renewed emphasis on agricultural financing.

Source: <https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/strong-growth-in-farm-loan-as-disbursement-hits-tk-2672b-1760378141>

## TEXTILE

### CHINESE, INDIAN FIRMS EYE BANGLADESH TO INVEST IN RMG SECTOR

- A growing wave of Chinese and Indian companies is eyeing Bangladesh's textile and garment sector as an emerging alternative for relocation, driven by steep US tariffs and rising production costs.
- Industry insiders say global buyers, particularly from the United States, have been scouting for new sourcing hubs for years due to the US-China trade war. The latest tariff hikes have only accelerated that shift, with Bangladesh appearing increasingly on investors' radar.
- While many local exporters see this as a chance to benefit from Chinese expertise and technology, others worry that foreign players could intensify competition in areas where Bangladesh already leads.

Source: <https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/trade/chinese-indian-firms-eye-bangladesh-to-invest-in-rmg-sector>

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## PHARMACEUTICALS

### JMI HOSPITAL REQUISITE INJECTS FRESH FUNDS INTO APOLLO-PARTNERED HOSPITAL

- JMI Hospital Requisite Manufacturing has approved a further investment of Tk 115 million in its newly inaugurated subsidiary - JMI Specialized Hospital.
- The leading medical device manufacturer and flagship company of JMI Group will purchase machinery and provide working capital to the hospital.
- Company Secretary Md. Safiqur Rahaman said the board had approved the investment to support the hospital's expansion and meet related requirements. The financing will be made from the company's own funds.

Source: <https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/jmi-hospital-requisite-injects-fresh-funds-into-apollo-partnered-hospital-1760372250>

## FOOD & ALLIED

### FROZEN FISH, SHRIMP EXPORTS REBOUND WITH 19% GROWTH, INDIA AND CHINA TOP DESTINATIONS

- Bangladesh's frozen fisheries exports rebounded strongly last fiscal year, rising 19.33% after two consecutive years of decline, driven by improved compliance and enhanced quality control.
- Fresh data from the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) show exports of frozen fish and shrimp reached \$388.7 million, up from \$325.73 million a year earlier. Strong demand from India and China played a key role in the recovery, signalling renewed confidence in one of the country's crucial export sectors.
- Tariqul Islam Zaheer, senior vice president of the Bangladesh Frozen Food Exporters Association (BFFEA), said exporters have adapted quickly to new compliance requirements. "Improved traceability, quality control, and disease management are now yielding results," he added. However, Zaheer noted that shrimp production has been declining in recent years due to unfavourable weather, siltation in rivers and canals, and opposition from environmental groups to using saline water essential for shrimp farming.

Source: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/frozen-fish-shrimp-exports-rebound-19-growth-india-and-china-top-destinations-1259156>

## SME

### BD PAINTS INVESTS TK100CR IN NEW GAZIPUR FACTORY, EYES TK250CR IN ANNUAL REVENUE

- BD Paints Limited is set to begin commercial operations at its newly built factory in Gazipur on 18 October, marking a major milestone in its expansion strategy aimed at boosting production capacity and strengthening its market position.
- The company has invested around Tk102 crore in the new facility, financed through a mix of bank loans and its own funds.
- According to a statement filed with the stock exchanges on Monday (13 October), the new factory has been established to meet the growing demand for both decorative and industrial paints across the country. With the new plant, BD Paints expects to significantly enhance its production efficiency, product range, and overall competitiveness in the domestic paints market. The new facility, built on 914 decimals of land, has a daily production capacity of 110.60 tonnes of paints and 15,000 pieces of plastic containers.

Source: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bd-paints-invests-tk100cr-new-gazipur-factory-eyes-tk250cr-annual-revenue-1259906>

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## CAPITAL MARKET

### DHAKA STOCKS BOUNCE BACK AFTER FIVE-DAY SLUMP

- The benchmark DSEX index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) rebounded today (13 October) after five sessions as cautious investors returned to the trading floor, shaking off various rumours surrounding the ongoing political and economic uncertainties.
- The DSEX increased by 25 points to close at 5,228, while the blue-chip DS30 index rose by 11 points to finish at 2,010. The shariah index was also up by 2 points, closing at 1,118.
- In its daily market commentary, EBL Securities stated that the ailing capital market managed to break out of its bearish spell as bargain hunters finally turned back and targeted a handful of stocks which they perceived to be trading at attractive price levels after the recent downturn.

Source: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-stocks-bounce-back-after-five-day-slump-1259911>



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