

Good Morning



Remittance inflows to exceed \$35b this fiscal year: BB governor

He highlighted the significant contribution of Bangladeshis living abroad to the country's economic growth and development, stressing the need to strengthen engagement with the non-resident Bangladeshi (NRB) community and encourage them to work more closely for national development.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/remittance-inflows-exceed-35b-fiscal-year-bb-governor-1322946>

700MHz auction: One operator can get up to 60% of total spectrum

The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) has recently amended its rules for the upcoming auction of the 700-megahertz (MHz) band, allowing a single mobile operator to acquire up to 60 percent of the spectrum available in the auction.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/700mhz-auction-one-operator-can-get-60-total-spectrum-4070261>

Institutional deposits to be converted into shares as Bangladesh Bank finalises 'Sammilito Islami Bank' merger

Bangladesh Bank has finalised the scheme to merge five troubled Shariah-based banks into a single entity named 'Sammilito Islami Bank PLC'.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/institutional-deposits-to-be-converted-into-shares-as-bangladesh-bank-finalises-sammilito-islami-bank-merger>

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Forex reserves hit three-year high as December remittances cross \$3.0 billion mark

Bangladesh's foreign exchange reserves have surged to the \$33 billion mark, reaching a three-year high, bolstered by a massive influx of remittances and strategic dollar purchases by the central bank.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/forex-reserves-hit-three-year-high-as-december-remittances-cross-30-billion-mark>

NEIR goes live today

The National Equipment Identity Register (NEIR) system will be activated today, bringing unauthorised new handsets that connect to the network under the blocking process.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/neir-goes-live-today-4070246>

Bank Asia launches 10 Islamic banking windows

Bank Asia PLC has launched 10 Islamic banking windows simultaneously across the country on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of its Islamic banking services.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bank-asia-launches-10-islamic-banking-windows-4069646>

Insurance surveyors banned from disclosing client info

Non-life insurance surveyors and loss assessors will no longer be allowed to use or disclose confidential information obtained through their professional work for personal gain or for the benefit of anyone other than the insurer or the insured, under Bangladesh's first-ever regulation governing the profession.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/insurance-surveyors-banned-disclosing-client-info-4069636>

Sammilito Islami Bank depositors to get investment facilities: BB

Depositors of the newly formed Sammilito Islami Bank will be able to access an investment facility of up to 20% against their existing balances and invest up to 80% against new deposits, Bangladesh Bank announced yesterday (30 December).

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/sammilito-islami-bank-depositors-get-investment-facilities-bb-1323061>

Jafar Sadeq made DMD of Shahjalal Islami Bank

Shahjalal Islami Bank PLC has promoted Md Jafar Sadeq to the post of deputy managing director (DMD).

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/jafar-sadeq-made-dmd-shahjalal-islami-bank-4070266>

Prime Bank clients to get discounts on Fair Face apartments

Prime Bank PLC has entered into a strategic partnership agreement with Fair Face Holdings Limited, one of the leading real estate developers in Bangladesh, to offer discounts on apartment purchases for its customers.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/prime-bank-clients-get-discounts-fair-face-apartments-4070281>

Big names stumble as earnings diverge in sluggish 2025 market

The performance of Bangladesh's largest listed companies in 2025 has highlighted a growing disconnect between corporate earnings and share prices, as weak investor sentiment and subdued trading activity continued to weigh on the broader market.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/big-names-stumble-earnings-diverge-sluggish-2025-market-1323626>

GPH Ispat declares 5% cash dividend

GPH Ispat Limited yesterday declared a 5 percent cash dividend for the financial year (FY) that ended on June 30, 2025.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/gph-ispac-declares-5-cash-dividend-4070271>