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# Good Morning


### Cirkle replaces Airtel in Bangladesh's mobile market

Robi Axiata has replaced its Airtel brand in Bangladesh with 'Cirkle', marking the end of the brand's 16-year presence in the country's mobile market. Robi announced the change at an event at the Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in the capital city on Monday.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/cirkle-replaces-airtel-in-bangladeshs-mobile-market

### Revised margin rules gazetted to broaden credit access, limit risks

Shares of listed companies in the ‘A’ and ‘B’ categories with price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio up to 40 will qualify for margin loans, while the revised rules also eased the thresholds for margin calls and forced sales.

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/revised-margin-rules-gazetted-to-broaden-credit-access-limit-risks

### CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund skips dividend despite Tk6.77cr profit in FY26

CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund 01, a closed-end mutual fund, reported a net profit of Tk6.77 crore for the fiscal year ended 30 June 2026 but decided not to declare any dividend for the year.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/capm-bdbl-mutual-fund-skips-dividend-despite-tk677cr-profit-fy26-1518771

### UCB to exit National Housing by offloading entire stake

United Commercial Bank PLC (UCB), a corporate sponsor of National Housing Finance PLC, has announced its decision to exit the non-bank financial institution by offloading its entire remaining holding of 5.63 lakh shares.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ucb-exit-national-housing-offloading-entire-stake-1518756

## Desco's Tk250cr caught in six troubled banks

The state-owned electricity distributor Dhaka Electricity Supply Company (Desco) is seeking Bangladesh Bank's intervention to recover around Tk250 crore of its revenue and employees' provident and gratuity funds trapped in six financially distressed banks.

**https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/descos-tk250cr-caught-six-troubled-banks-1518866**

## 38 banks seek Tk28,000cr in stimulus funds for struggling businesses

The central bank has cleared the path for loan disbursements to begin on 1 September after resolving an interest rate dispute with commercial banks over funding for the Tk41,000 crore refinancing facility, part of a wider Tk60,000 crore package unveiled in May to reopen closed and struggling mills and factories.

**https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/38-banks-seek-tk28000cr-stimulus-funds-struggling-businesses-1517961**

## BSEC lowers margin loan threshold to Tk 300,000

Investors can now access margin loans against shares with a minimum investment of Tk 300,000, down from Tk 500,000 under the previous rules. The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) issued the revised Margin (Loan) Rules on Monday night, introducing several changes to margin financing.

**https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bsec-lowers-margin-loan-threshold-to-tk-300000**

## Dhaka stocks sink to 3-week low on worries over margin rules, energy crisis

Stocks suffered a sharp sell-off on Monday, extending their losing streak to fourth consecutive session, due to growing concerns over the country's macroeconomic outlook amid an ongoing energy crisis.

**https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/dhaka-stocks-sink-to-3-week-low-on-worries-over-margin-rules-energy-crisis**

## Another listed fund set to mature soon

Another close-ended mutual fund -- CAPM BDBL Mutual Fund-1 – nears conversion or liquidation as its 10-year term will end in January. The trustee has called a special meeting of unitholders on October 7 at BDBL Bhaban in the capital, where they will vote to determine the course of action after the maturity of the fund, according to a regulatory filing on Monday.

**https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/another-listed-fund-set-to-mature-soon**

## Real estate output rises, but developers face hurdles

Real-estate activities in Bangladesh have expanded steadily according to official statistics, though industry insiders say the sector is struggling with high taxes, regulatory restrictions, and weak investment conditions.

**https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/real-estate-output-rises-but-developers-face-hurdles**

## Key Provisions of the Revised Margin Loan Regulations

The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has issued a gazette notification on the revised rules for margin loans provided to investors for purchasing shares in the capital market. From now on, these revised regulations will be followed for margin lending.

**https://www.arthosuchak.com/archives/970584/%e0%a6%b8%e0%a6%82%e0%a6%b6%e0%a7%8b%e0%a6%a7%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%a4%e0%a6%ae%e0%a6%be%e0%a6%b0%e0%a7%8d%e0%a6%9c%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%a8%e0%a6%8b%e0%a6%a3%e0%a6%ac%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%a7%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%ae-2/**

## Foreign Exchange Reserves Rise to $37.24 Billion

According to Bangladesh Bank's own calculation, the country's total foreign exchange reserves have increased to $37.24 billion. Meanwhile, under the IMF's BPM-6 methodology, the current reserve level stands at $32.43 billion.

**https://www.arthosuchak.com/archives/970700/%e0%a6%b0%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%9c%e0%a6%be%e0%a6%b0%e0%a7%8d%e0%a6%ad%e0%a7%a9%e0%a7%ad%e0%a6%a6%e0%a6%b6%e0%a6%ae%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%95%e0%a7%a8%e0%a7%aa%e0%a6%ac%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%b2%e0%a6%bf%e0%a6%af/**