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Stock Market & Company

Stocks advance after 2-day plunge

Newage, November 09, 2021

- Dhaka stocks advanced on Tuesday after a plunge in the previous two sessions as a section of investors went for bargain hunting while many others remained cautious on the trading floor.
- DSEX, the key index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange, advanced by 1 per cent, or 68.44 points, to close at 6,868.08 points on Tuesday after losing 107 points in the previous two sessions. However, turnover on the DSE declined to a fresh six-month low of Tk 1,007.75 crore on Tuesday from Tk 1,075.13 crore in the previous session.
- Of the 374 scrips traded on the DSE on Tuesday, 223 advanced, 99 declined and 54 remained unchanged. Among the
 prominent companies, share prices of Beximco Pharmaceuticals, LafargeHolcim Bangladesh, Square Pharmaceuticals, GPH
 Ispat and Confidence Cement advanced on Tuesday.
- Average share prices of cement, non-bank financial institution, textile and pharmaceutical sectors advanced by 5.4 per cent,
 2.71 per cent,
 1.35 per cent and
 1 per cent respectively.
 DS30, a composition of
 30 large capitalised companies, added
 1.25 per cent, or
 32.34 points, to close at
 2,616.03 points on Tuesday.
- Shariah index DSES also added 1.2 per cent, or 17.37 points, to settle at 1,454.8 points. DSMEX Index, an index of the SME platform, increased by 5.79 per cent, or 48.56 points, to close at 886.22 points on Tuesday.
- BEXIMCO led the turnover chart with its shares worth Tk 97.62 crore changing hands on Tuesday. Orion Pharma, LafargeHolcim Bangladesh, Beximco Pharmaceuticals, Square Pharmaceuticals, Genex Infosys, IFIC Bank, NRB Commercial Bank, Delta Life Insurance Company and Alif Manufacturing Company were the other turnover leaders on the day.

https://www.newagebd.net/article/154184/stocks-advance-after-2-day-plunge

Tax receipts from DSE down 22pc in October

The Financial Express, November 08, 2021

The government's revenue collection from Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) plunged by 22 per cent or Tk 113 million in October compared to a month earlier due to a decline in turnover on the prime bourse. The government bagged revenue worth Tk 407 million in October as against Tk 520 million in September, falling nearly 22 per cent, according to DSE statistics.



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• Of the total earnings in October, Tk 370 million came from the TREC holders' commission, popularly known as brokerage commission, while Tk 37 million came from share sales by sponsor-directors and placement holders, the DSE data shows.

- The daily turnover, the important gauge, dropped to Tk 18.50 billion on average in October which was around Tk 23 billion in September, according to DSE data.
- The prime index of the DSE also plunged by 329 points or 4.48 per cent in October compared to September this year.
- However, the government's revenue earnings from the DSE marked a whopping 86 per cent rise in the first four months of the current fiscal year compared to the same period of the previous fiscal.
- The government bagged revenue worth Tk 1,718 million in July-October of the fiscal year (FY) 2021-22, as against Tk 925 million in the same period of the previous fiscal year, registering a 86 per cent growth, the DSE data showed.

Revenue earnings trend from DSE				
Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22		Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21		
July	Tk 289 million	July	Tk 188 million	
August	Tk 502 million	August	Tk 246 million	
September	Tk 520 million	September	Tk 275 million	
October	Tk 407 million	October	Tk 216 million	
Total	Tk 1,718 million	Total	Tk 925 million	
			Source: DSE	

https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock/tax-receipts-from-dse-down-22pc-in-october-1636431823

British firm SCL to globally distribute DSE data

The Business Standard, November 09, 2021

- British data mining and analytics firm Strategic Communication Laboratories (SCL) has partnered up with the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) to globally distribute the major bourse's data. SCL, the parent company of Cambridge Analytica, recently signed an agreement with the Dhaka-based bourse in this regard, reads a press statement on Tuesday.
- DSE Managing Director (MD) Tarique Amin Bhuiyan, and the SCL MD signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organisations on Monday in Manchester, UK.
- BSEC Chairman Professor Shibli Rubayat-Ul-Islam, DSE Chairman Eunusur Rahaman, Director Shakil Rizvi, General Manager Asadur Rahman, Deputy General Manager Shafikul Islam Bhuian, Assistant General Manager Ruhul Amin and Manager Md Shahadat Hossain were present at the signing ceremony among others.
- Following other stock exchanges in the world, the DSE began selling its elaborated data a few years ago to the users including analysts, researchers, investment firms and the media houses. SCL began its journey three decades ago as the "Behavioural Dynamics Institute" and later changed its name.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/british-firm-scl-globally-distribute-dse-data-327472

eGeneration's revenue sees 36% growth

The Business Standard, November 09, 2021

- eGeneration Limited an IT consulting and software solutions company posted a 36.32% revenue growth in the first
 quarter of the current fiscal year. During the period, the revenue of the company was Tk14 crore, which was Tk10.27 crore
 in the same period of the previous fiscal year.
- In the July-September quarter of 2021, the net profit of the company was Tk3.06 crore, which was Tk2.20 crore in the first quarter of 2020. Its earnings per share were Tk0.41, up from Tk0.37 in the same period of the previous year.
- Recently, the company has recommended a 10% cash dividend for the last fiscal year that ended on 30 June 2021. During the period, the company earned 20% higher revenue compared to the previous year. The net profit increased by 12.88%.
- The paid-up capital of the company is Tk75 crore. Till 30 September 2021, sponsors and directors jointly held 37.77%, institutions 29.27%, foreign investors 0.45%, and the general public 32.51% shares in the company.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/egenerations-revenue-sees-36-growth-327484



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IBN Sina's profit grows 40% in Q1

The Business Standard, November 09, 2021

IBN Sina Pharmaceutical Industry – an enterprise of IBN Sina Trust – has reported a 39.69% growth in profit in the July-September quarter of the 2021-22 fiscal year. After its board of directors' meeting, the company published the financials on

- As per the information, its consolidated earnings per share (EPS) rose to Tk4.54. At the same time, the EPS was Tk3.25 in the previous fiscal year. Its net operating cash flow per share decreased by 31.58% to Tk3.27 from Tk4.78 at the same time in the previous fiscal year, according to the financials.
- Riding on an increase in the sales of drugs during the pandemic, its consolidated profit rose by 24% in fiscal 2020-21 compared to the previous year. Based on the profit growth, it has recommended a 47% cash dividend for its shareholders, which is the highest for the company in the last twelve years since 2009.

https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/ibn-sinas-profit-grows-40-q1-327481

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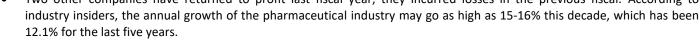
Most pharma companies post higher annual profits

The Business Standard, November 10, 2021

- Most listed pharmaceutical and chemical companies have registered a higher profit in fiscal 2020-2021 compared to the previous year riding on a jump in sales during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Eight of the companies will pay a higher dividend than the previous fiscal year, four will disburse the same amount as it did

a year ago while three firms, which reported a decline in profit, will reduce their dividend.

- Drugs and hygiene products manufactured by pharmaceuticals and chemicals companies saw a sharp surge in sales during the pandemic.
- It helped the pharmaceutical companies in the country to post good growth in terms of both revenue and profit compared to the previous fiscal year, according to industry insiders.
- Until 8 November, 20 out of 31 including two listed foreign multinational companies in the pharmaceuticals and chemicals sector have published their annual financials for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
- Eleven of the companies have reported an increase in profit, and nine witnessed a profit decline compared to the previous fiscal year, according to an analysis by The Business Standard.
- The rest of the companies from this sector are yet to publish their annual financials and declare a dividend for shareholders. As per available data, three companies have incurred losses. Among them, two had incurred losses in the previous fiscal year too.
- Two other companies have returned to profit last fiscal year, they incurred losses in the previous fiscal. According to



https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/most-pharma-companies-post-higher-annual-profits-327493

Fitch forecasts 7pc GDP growth

The Daily Star, November 10, 2021

Global credit ratings agency Fitch said Bangladesh's economy would grow 7 per cent in the current fiscal year, powered by declining coronavirus infections and easing of supply chain disruptions. The agency is more bullish about the growth potential of the country compared to many other international organisations.





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• The International Monetary Fund has forecast 6.5 per cent gross domestic product growth for 2021-22, while the World Bank estimates the economy will expand by 6.4 per cent and the Asian Development Bank by 6.8 per cent. The government has targeted a 7.2 per cent growth in FY22 as the economy recovers from the coronavirus pandemic.

- In its latest outlook released on Monday, Fitch affirmed "BB-" long-term foreign-currency issuer default rating with a stable outlook for Bangladesh. The rating reflects Bangladesh's resilient external finances, relatively strong growth despite the pandemic and government debt levels that are below the peer median, against low government revenues, and weak governance indicators and the banking sector, said Fitch.
- Remittances reached a record high of \$21.7 billion in 2020, driven by a shift to more formal remittance channels and the Bangladesh Bank's 2 per cent cash incentive for inward remittances. Growth in remittances has slowed this year, reaching \$18.9 billion by October. Authorities have indicated that the incentive is likely to remain in place.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/fitch-forecasts-7pc-gdp-growth-2226191

International

Dollar firms as US inflation poses next test

The Daily Star, November 09, 2021

- The dollar slipped on Monday, falling below the 15-month highs it hit after Friday's jobs data, as investors reassessed rate hike expectations and central banks' tolerance of inflation. Last week, the US Federal Reserve stuck to its view that current high inflation is expected to be transitory.
- The Bank of England surprised the market by keeping rates on hold and, earlier in the week, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) also pledged to be patient with policy. At 1257 GMT, the dollar index was down 0.1per cent on the day, at 94.176, having fallen since it hit its highest level in more than a year on Friday following stronger-than-expected payrolls data.
- "The market's selling dollars because the central banks are not going to hike quite as quickly as we all previously thought," said Neil Jones, head of FX sales at Mizuho. Jones said that less rapid rate hikes benefits risk assets such as stocks, which are inversely correlated with the US dollar. The next test of the Fed's wait-and-see approach to inflation will be US CPI data due on Wednesday.
- "The tightening labour market will keep pressure on the Fed to keep tightening policy going forward, and speed up rate hike plans if labour force participation does not improve as expected," MUFG strategist Lee Hardman wrote in a note to clients.
- Commodity Futures Trading Commission data showed speculators scaled back their net long position on the dollar for the fourth week running in the week to November 2.
- Federal Reserve Vice Chair Richard Clarida will speak about inflation and monetary policy later in the session. "We have heard a few Fed hawks questioning the need for patience when it comes to tightening, but similar remarks from centrists like Clarida would certainly send US short-term rates and the dollar higher," ING FX strategists wrote in a note to clients.
- The Australian dollar, which is seen as a liquid proxy for risk appetite, was up 0.1per cent on the day at US\$0.7408.

https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/dollar-firms-us-inflation-poses-next-test-2225261



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