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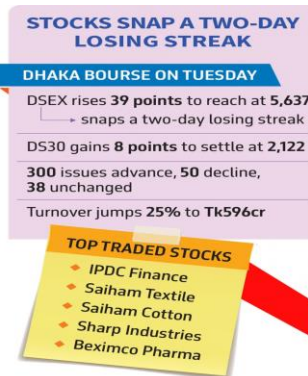
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Stock Market & Company

Bargain hunting fuels 39-point DSEX recovery as reform hopes spark liquidity

The Business Standard, Sep 01, 2026

- The country's premier bourse returned to positive territory today (1 September), providing a much-needed respite to the capital market after a prolonged downturn. Driven by aggressive bargain hunting and renewed optimism over structural reforms, the benchmark DSEX index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) surged by 39 points, or 0.70%, to settle at 5,637.
- Market participation saw a healthy spike as total turnover on the DSE jumped by 25% to reach Tk596 crore, compared to the previous session. The day's trading was characterised by overwhelming bullish dominance, with the market breadth showing 300 issues advancing, 50 declining, and 38 remaining unchanged.
- According to EBL Securities' daily market review, the ailing capital market got some relief as investors viewed prevailing prices as attractive entry points. Bargain hunters stepped in to accumulate beaten-down stocks, particularly in sectors that had undergone sharp corrections.
- The market opened on an optimistic note, supported by favourable remarks from regulators on the capital market's long-term development. Although selling pressure emerged intermittently after mid-session, it was not enough to wipe out the morning gains, with buyers remaining in control until the close, it added.
- Sheltech Brokerage Limited observed that the rally was driven mainly by renewed buying interest and optimism over the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission's (BSEC) recent market-development initiatives. The benchmark index climbed to an intraday high of 5,674.16 points, but late-session profit-taking erased much of the gain.



TOP GAINERS	CHANGE (%)
First Finance	8.88
First Janata Bank Mutual Fund	8.82
PHP First Mutual Fund	8.82

TOP LOSERS	CHANGE (%)
Jute Spinners	3.61
Meghna Condensed Milk	3.12
Nurani Dyeing	3.03

CHITTAGONG STOCK EXCHANGE

CSCX ends **37 points** higher at 9,237

CASPI rises **60 points** to reach at 15,130

Turnover jumps **207%** to Tk51cr

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bargain-hunting-fuels-39-point-dsex-recovery-reform-hopes-spark-liquidity-1530701>

Bourses can approve 'Z-category' share transfers in default, death cases

The Business Standard, Sep 01, 2026

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has relaxed a stringent rule regarding the transfer of shares held by sponsors and directors of "Z-category" companies, shifting administrative authority directly to stock exchanges.
- In a commission meeting held today (1 September), the regulator decided that its prior approval will no longer be required for specific equity security transactions involving these troubled firms.
- According to the amendment, the commission has specifically waived the need for direct BSEC permission in cases involving the confiscation of shares due to loan defaults and the transmission of shares following a shareholder's death.
- This decision follows a thorough review of a previous directive issued on 20 May 2024, which had imposed a blanket restriction on all forms of share transactions – whether on the trading platform or off-market – for sponsors and directors of non-financial companies listed in the junk category.
- Under the revised framework, the country's bourses will now be empowered to facilitate and execute such transfers in accordance with existing listing regulations.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/bourses-can-approve-z-category-share-transfers-default-death-cases-1530726>

Sudden inspection in brokerage houses on card, BSEC asks nomination from DSE, CSE, CDBL in joint panel

The Business Standard, Sep 01, 2026

- With a view to tightening regulatory oversight and enforcing strict supervision, the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) constituted an 8-member standing joint inspection panel to conduct surprise inspection of stock brokers and stock dealers across the country.
- The eight-member inspection panel is comprising of members from the regulatory body, stock exchanges and central depository of Bangladesh Limited (CDBL), according to official order of the commission.
- On Monday, BSEC Chairman Masud Khan, speaking at an open discussion titled "The Current State of the Bangladesh Capital Market and Way Forward", organised by the DSE Brokers Association of Bangladesh (DBA) said, "Much has been discussed about surveillance of brokers. A broker may have several types of problems. Some are regulatory in nature, while another is a shortfall in the CCA, which has accumulated over many years.
- "When irregularities occur, the commission imposes fines, which is a regular measure. But when there is a major shortfall, simply imposing a fine is not enough. A fine leads to a certificate case, which can continue for a long time.
- "We need to adopt a risk-based approach and conduct surprise visits. In some cases, CCA shortfalls were detected, the money was returned, and then withdrawn again. The commission and the DSE have agreed to conduct visits on a regular basis."

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/sudden-inspection-brokerage-houses-card-bsec-asks-nomination-dse-cse-cdbl-joint-panel>

Dhaka bourse to launch derivatives trading by Jan 2028

The Business Standard, Sep 01, 2026

- The approved roadmap covers regulatory reforms, trading and other infrastructure, clearing and settlement systems, and risk management measures.
- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) plans to introduce financial derivatives by January 2028 after the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) approved its action plan for launching the new asset class.
- According to a BSEC press release issued after a commission meeting on today (1 September), the bourse will initially introduce index futures, with contracts based on the blue-chip DS30 index expected to be the first products.
- The approved roadmap covers regulatory reforms, trading and other infrastructure, clearing and settlement systems, and risk management measures. BSEC will also monitor the DSE's progress in implementing the plan.
- A senior DSE official said the bourse also plans to introduce exchange-traded fund-type instruments under the new segment. Unlike conventional share trading, derivatives allow investors to trade contracts linked to the future price movements of underlying assets.
- The DSE will procure a new multi-asset trading engine by 2028 to handle derivatives and multiple clearing systems. Its existing Nasdaq-provided trading engine, which mainly supports equity trading, is scheduled to expire in 2027.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-bourse-launch-derivatives-trading-jan-2028-1530706>

BSEC clears draft rules for direct listing of shares without IPO

The Financial Express, Sep 01, 2026

- The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has approved a draft regulation allowing qualifying companies to get listed on stock exchanges directly, without going through an Initial Public Offering (IPO), by offloading a portion of existing shareholders' holdings.
- The decision was taken at the 1,027th commission meeting held on Tuesday at the BSEC office, chaired by its Chairman Masud Khan. Under the draft "Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (Direct Listing of Securities by Stock Exchange) Rules, 2026", companies will be able to list through direct listing by offloading at least 10 to 20 percent of shares held by existing shareholders, instead of raising fresh capital through an IPO.
- Eligible companies include those wholly or majority owned by the government; companies where the government holds at least 10 percent of paid-up capital directly or indirectly; companies majority owned by foreign shareholders; BTRC-approved telecom and ICT service or infrastructure companies with a minimum paid-up capital of Tk 300 crore; scheduled banks, financial institutions and insurance companies with at least three years of commercial operation; and companies with an annual turnover or total assets of at least Tk 500 crore.
- Companies will also need to fulfil additional conditions set by the respective stock exchange, depository and central counterparty as prescribed by the commission.
- The draft rules will be published in newspapers and on the BSEC website shortly for public opinion, the commission said in a press release.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/bsec-clears-draft-rules-for-direct-listing-of-shares-without-ipo>

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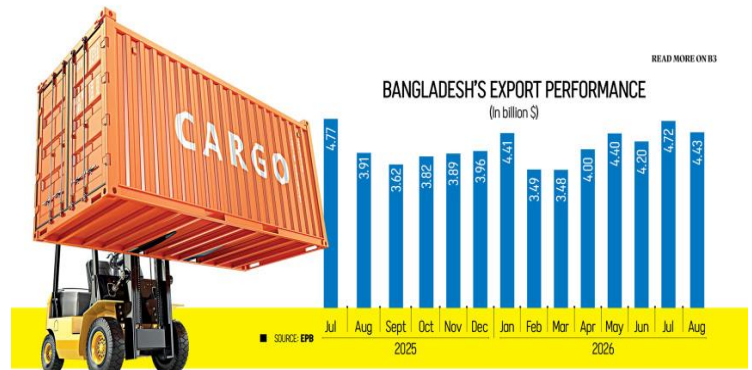
Exports grew 13% in Aug on RMG rebound

The Daily Star, Sep 02, 2026

- Manufacturers say growth is partly explained by a low base last year, as gas and power shortages now disrupt production
Bangladesh merchandise exports grew 13.14 percent year-on-year to \$4.43 billion in August, driven by a rebound in garment shipments, according to official data.

- With this, exports in the first two months of fiscal year 2026-27 rose 5.43 percent to \$9.16 billion, from \$8.69 billion in the July-August period a year earlier, according to the latest data published by the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) yesterday. Tap here to add The Daily Star as a trusted source google-preferred-source-badge

- The readymade garment (RMG) sector remained the main driver of growth, with exports rising 13.92 percent year-on-year to \$3.89 billion last month. Both knitwear and woven garment shipments in August increased from the same month a year earlier.
- The growth was supported by stronger demand in major markets, greater buyer confidence in Bangladesh as a reliable sourcing destination and expanded production capacity, the EPB said.
- The bureau also said rising exports of higher-value products and efforts to diversify products and markets helped increase export earnings. However, EPB data showed that exports fell 6.30 percent in August from the previous month. Export earnings stood at \$4.72 billion in July.



<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/exports-grew-13-aug-rmg-rebound-4262536>

Commodity suppliers warn of shortages amid gas crisis

The Daily Star, Sep 02, 2026

- The country's leading commodity importers and processors have urged the government to ensure uninterrupted gas and electricity supply to their factories, warning that disruption could trigger serious supply-chain problems nationwide.
- They made the call at a discussion on ensuring stable stocks, supply and prices of essential items held at the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry's (FBCCI) Motijheel office yesterday.
- The country has been grappling with gas and power shortages in recent months, disrupting production across industries. The average daily gas supply fell to 2,235 million cubic feet per day in August, the lowest level recorded for the month in a decade, according to an analysis of gas-supply data from 2017 to 2026 by The Daily Star.
- Shafiul Athar Taslim, director for finance and operation at TK Group, said one of the group's two factories had been closed for two months because of the gas crisis and that this would ultimately have an impact on production.
- Shafiul Athar Taslim, director for finance and operation at TK Group, said one of the group's two factories had been closed for two months because of the gas crisis. In terms of gas allocation, he called on the government to ensure utility supplies for companies producing essential commodities just as it prioritises electricity and fertiliser production.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/commodity-suppliers-warn-shortages-amid-gas-crisis-4262526>

International

China's solar power capacity surpasses coal for first time

The Daily Star, Sep 02, 2026

- China's installed solar energy capacity has surpassed that of coal-fired power for the first time, the national energy body said Tuesday, hailing the milestone.
- China, the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gases that drive climate change, has pledged to peak carbon emissions by 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2060.
- "As of the end of July this year, China's installed solar power capacity reached 1.286 billion kilowatts," the National Energy Administration (NEA) said.
- "For the first time, photovoltaic installed capacity surpassed coal-fired power, becoming the largest power source category in China," it added.
- China, the world's largest emitter of greenhouse gases that drive climate change, has pledged to peak carbon emissions by 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2060
- The country's coal-fired power installed capacity, the energy body said, stood at 1.285 billion kilowatts.
- Solar generation rose 15.5 percent on-year in the first seven months of 2026 to 802.4 billion kilowatt-hours, about one-eighth of the country's total, the NEA said in another statement. It did not detail in these statements what the total generation of coal-powered energy was for the first seven months of this year.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/chinas-solar-power-capacity-surpasses-coal-first-time-4262456>

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