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## Stock Market & Company

### DSE gains 36 points as budget optimism lifts investor sentiment

The Business Standard, June 09, 2026

- The stock market extended its gains today (9 June) after a brief consolidation phase, driven by investor optimism over potential market-friendly measures in the upcoming national budget.
- The benchmark DSEX index at the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) rose 36 points to 5,519, while turnover jumped 29% to a multi-week high of Tk1,387 crore.
- Market analysts attributed the rally to expectations of fiscal policies aimed at stimulating private sector growth and boosting investor confidence. According to EBL Securities, strong demand for attractively valued stocks helped sustain the upward momentum, outweighing concerns over the withdrawal of floor prices from two heavyweight stocks – Beximco Limited and Islami Bank.
- Market breadth remained firmly positive, with 246 stocks advancing, 100 declining and 51 remaining unchanged.
- The insurance sector dominated trading activity, with general insurance stocks accounting for 24.4% of total turnover. Engineering and pharmaceuticals contributed 11.8% and 9.4%, respectively.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-gains-36-points-budget-optimism-lifts-investor-sentiment-1458321>

### Foreigners offload Tk161cr in May as sell-off in Square Pharma, BRAC Bank intensifies

The Business Standard, June 09, 2026

- The exodus of foreign capital from the country's stock market reached a new peak in May as international investors aggressively trimmed their positions in blue-chip and fundamentally strong companies.
- Amid escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and persistent domestic economic headwinds, foreign sales surged to Tk161 crore during the month, while fresh purchases dwindled to a negligible Tk6 crore.
- This staggering imbalance highlights a deepening risk aversion among global fund managers, who appear to be prioritising liquidity and safe-haven assets over frontier-market exposure.
- Data from the Dhaka Stock Exchange shows that the selling pressure was heavily concentrated in the market's most liquid and prestigious scrips.
- Square Pharmaceuticals, long a staple of foreign portfolios, witnessed the highest sell-off, with overseas investors offloading shares worth Tk56 crore. This reduced their stake in the pharmaceutical giant from 15.11% in April to 14.81% by the end of May.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/foreigners-offload-tk161cr-may-sell-square-pharma-brac-bank-intensifies-1458311>

## Strict actions against those involved in stock market scandals, finance minister tells parliament

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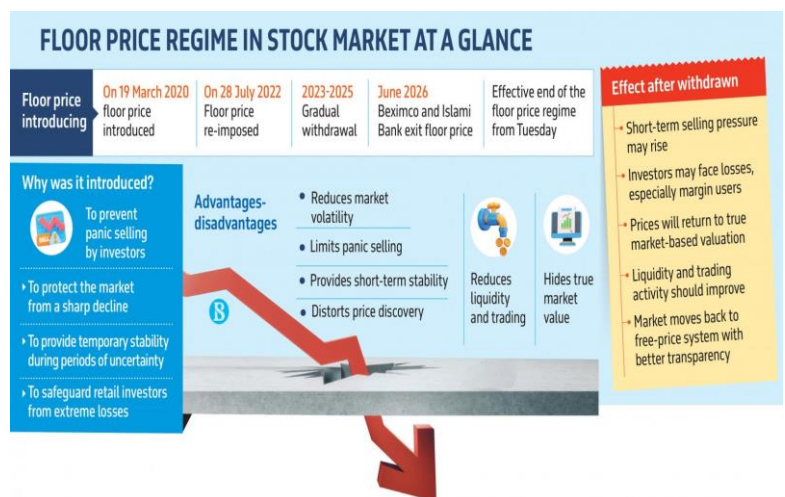
- Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury has informed parliament that the government has taken a tough stance against major irregularities and scandals in the capital market.
- He said legal action has been taken against individuals and institutions involved in several high-profile cases of financial misconduct and market manipulation during the Awami League regime.
- According to the finance minister, the reconstituted Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has completed inquiries and investigations into 12 separate incidents.
- Responding to a question from Sirajganj-1 lawmaker Md Selim Reza in parliament today (9 June), he said a five-member special investigation committee formed by the BSEC after 5 August 2024 had submitted reports on various irregularities. Based on those findings, punitive measures have been taken against a number of individuals and organisations.
- He said investors had suffered due to long-running irregularities and market manipulation in the stock market. The current government is working to ensure proper investigations and accountability for those responsible.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/strict-actions-against-those-involved-stock-market-scandals-finance-minister-tells>

## Beximco, Islami Bank hit lower circuit as floor prices removed

The Business Standard, June 08, 2026

- Shares of Beximco Ltd and Islami Bank Bangladesh came under heavy selling pressure and fell to their lower circuit limits today (9 June) after the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission removed the floor prices that had kept the two stocks under an artificial pricing mechanism for more than three years.
- Beximco Ltd, a flagship concern of the Beximco Group, witnessed a flood of sell orders immediately after the market opened as investors sought to exit the stock following a prolonged period of price stagnation. However, despite the strong selling pressure, only a small number of shares changed hands because of an absence of buyers, according to trading data.
- At the market opening, investors placed sell orders for 9.36 crore Beximco Ltd shares at the lower circuit price of Tk99.10 each, with a total value of Tk927.32 crore.
- However, by the end of today's trading session, only 8,026 shares changed hands through just 60 trades, with a total value of around Tk8 lakh.



<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/beximco-islami-bank-hit-lower-circuit-selling-pressure-overwhelms-market-1457771>

## Economy & Industry

### Veon proposes Teletalk partnership, seeks to acquire Nagad

The Daily Star, June 09, 2026

- Global digital operator Veon has expressed interest in exploring a strategic combination with Bangladesh's state-owned mobile operator Teletalk as part of a broader plan to expand its digital footprint and investments in Bangladesh.
- In a letter sent to Prime Minister Tarique Rahman recently, Veon said it was prepared to significantly increase its investment in Bangladesh and sought discussions on potential collaborations involving strategic public assets.
- The proposal includes a possible strategic combination with Teletalk Bangladesh Limited and the acquisition of Nagad from the Bangladesh Post Office.
- “Veon and Banglalink believe Bangladesh has the potential to become one of Asia’s most dynamic digital economies and are committed to supporting that vision,” said Johan Buse, CEO of Banglalink, a wholly owned subsidiary of Veon.
- “Building on more than \$2.5 billion invested in Bangladesh over the past 21 years, we are keen to make significant investments in the near term, supported by a conducive and predictable regulatory environment,” he said.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/veon-proposes-teletalk-partnership-seeks-acquire-nagad-4194636>

### Govt tightens measures against loan defaulters, says finance minister

The Daily Star, June 09, 2026

- Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury on Tuesday said the government has intensified banking-sector reforms, strengthened deposit protection and tightened measures against loan defaulters in an effort to restore public confidence and improve financial stability.
- Responding to a question from Cox’s Bazar-3 lawmaker Lutfur Rahman in the Jatiya Sangsad, the minister said the reforms are being implemented under a comprehensive bank-resolution framework established through the Bank Resolution Act 2026.
- He said the framework was first introduced through the Bank Resolution Ordinance 2025 and operationalised under the Bank Resolution Scheme 2025 before being enacted into law this year.
- As part of the resolution process, five troubled Islamic banks have been merged to form Sommito Islami Bank PLC, a key step aimed at strengthening the banking system and addressing long-standing weaknesses in the sector.
- The minister said depositor protection has also been expanded under the Deposit Protection Act 2026, with the maximum protected deposit amount doubled to Tk 200,000 from Tk 100,000.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/govt-tightens-measures-against-loan-defaulters-says-finance-minister>

## International

### Japan to give \$312m loan for energy security, economic resilience

The Daily Star, June 09, 2026

- Japan will provide Bangladesh a concessional loan of around \$312 million to help bolster energy security and economic resilience as the conflict in the Middle East places growing strain on the country's finances.
- To that end, officials from both sides signed the "Emergency Support Loan for Enhancing Economic Resilience and Stable Energy Supply" agreement in Dhaka yesterday, according to a press statement.
- Md Shahriar Kader Siddiky, secretary of the Economic Relations Division (ERD), and Takahashi Junko, chief representative of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (Jica) Bangladesh Office, signed the documents on behalf of their respective sides at the ERD in Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.
- The loan -- equivalent to 50 billion yen and to be co-financed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) -- is intended to help Bangladesh address socio-economic pressures stemming from higher energy prices and supply uncertainties linked to the Middle East conflict involving the US, Israel and Iran.
- The signing comes as Bangladesh faces mounting fiscal pressure from the conflict. Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury told parliament yesterday that preliminary estimates suggest the country will require an additional Tk 42,600 crore in subsidies for the oil, gas, electricity and fertiliser sectors by June of FY2025-26.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/japan-give-312m-loan-energy-security-economic-resilience-4194771>

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