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Stock Market & Company

DSE falls as investors cash in gains after 3-day post-budget rally

The Business Standard, June 16, 2026

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange ended lower today (16 June), snapping a three-day winning streak as investors moved to lock in profits following a strong post-budget rally that had pushed the benchmark index above the 5,600-point mark.
- The benchmark DSEX index of the premier bourse plunged by 35 points, or 0.62%, to close at 5,605, reflecting a cautious shift in investor sentiment after three consecutive sessions of robust gains.
- Market analysts observed that while there was selective bargain hunting in attractively valued scrips, it proved insufficient to counter the broad-based selling pressure that intensified as the session progressed.
- The blue-chip segment also faced a sharp correction, with the DS30 index slipping by 17 points to settle at 2,110.
- Trading activity saw a noticeable contraction, with total turnover on the DSE dropping by 18% to Tk1,196 crore, compared to the previous day's Tk1,456 crore.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-falls-investors-cash-gains-after-3-day-post-budget-rally-1464976>

Listed firms want central bank to reform credit blacklisting rules

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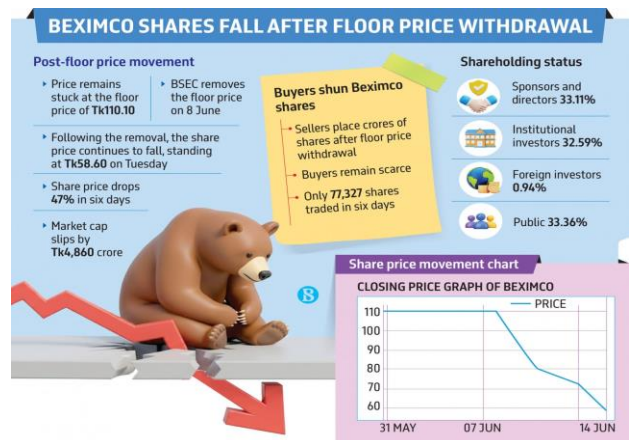
- Listed companies have called on Bangladesh Bank to overhaul its credit reporting rules, arguing that financially healthy firms should not be held back by the poor borrowing records of their directors or nominating institutions.
- The Bangladesh Association of Publicly Listed Companies (BAPLC) has urged the central bank to implement a more pragmatic Credit Information Bureau (CIB) reporting framework to ensure that financially sound listed companies are not unfairly penalised for the adverse credit records of their nominating institutions or individual directors.
- A high-level delegation of the association, led by its President Riad Mahmud, made the request during a meeting with Bangladesh Bank Governor Mostaqur Rahman held at the central bank headquarters in the capital today (16 June).
- The meeting focused on resolving critical regulatory bottlenecks that currently hinder the operational flexibility and growth of the country's premier corporate entities.
- At the heart of the discussion was the impact of CIB reporting on companies where nominee directors serve.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/listed-firms-want-central-bank-reform-credit-blacklisting-rules-1465006>

Beximco sheds Tk4,860cr market value in 6 days after floor price withdrawal

The Business Standard, June 16, 2026

- The market valuation of Beximco Limited has witnessed a catastrophic decline, losing around Tk4,860 crore in just six trading sessions following the withdrawal of its floor price.
- The flagship company of the Beximco Group saw its share price plunge 47% to Tk58.60 by Tuesday from the floor price of Tk110.10, which had remained in place for more than two years.
- The free-fall began after the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) lifted the trading restriction on 9 June to restore market-based price discovery for major stocks, including Beximco and Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC.
- Unlike Islami Bank, which recovered after a central bank-led board restructuring, Beximco has continued to hit the lower circuit breaker with virtually no buying interest.
- Market data reveals an extreme lack of liquidity for the scrip, as buyers have almost entirely shunned the stock. Despite crores of shares being placed for sale by panicked investors, only a meagre 77,327 shares changed hands during these six days.



<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/beximco-sheds-tk4860cr-market-value-6-days-after-floor-price-withdrawal-1464991>

Prime Life declares 0.25% cash dividend

The Business Standard, June 16, 2026

- Prime Islami Life Insurance has recommended a 0.25% cash dividend for the financial year ended 31 December, 2025, according to a disclosure filed by the company today (16 June).
- In the previous year, the life insurer did not pay any dividend for their shareholders.
- The board of directors approved the dividend proposal in its recent meeting, along with other financial updates of the insurer. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is scheduled to be held on 17 September 2026.
- The meeting will be conducted in a hybrid system, allowing both physical and virtual participation.
- The company also set 16 July 2026 as the record date for entitlement of shareholders to receive the declared dividend.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/prime-life-declares-025-cash-dividend-1464861>

Stock trading time extended by 10 minutes from 17 June

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- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), the country's main bourse, has extended regular trading hours by 10 minutes, with trading set to run from 10am to 2pm from tomorrow (19 June).
- The DSE issued an official notice in this regard today (16 June). At the same time, the post-closing session has also been extended by 5 minutes to a total of 10 minutes.
- Currently, regular trading on the DSE begins at 10am and ends at 1:55pm, followed by a 5-minute post-closing session until 2pm.
- Under the revised schedule, from tomorrow onward, regular trading will continue uninterrupted from 10am to 2pm. This will be followed by a 10-minute post-closing session from 2pm to 2:10pm.
- The DSE said that during the post-closing session, investors will not be able to place new price orders. However, they will be able to execute buy or sell orders at the closing price, allowing additional transactions at the day's final trading level.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dse-extends-trading-hours-five-minutes-1464341>

Economy & Industry

New budget faces revenue execution risks, says Fitch

The Daily Sun, June 16, 2026

- The first budget under the newly elected BNP government sets ambitious revenue targets that may prove difficult to achieve, given the country's persistent constraints in tax collection and uneven progress in implementing reforms, according to Fitch Ratings.
- In a report today, the ratings agency said the budget for financial year 2026-27 aims to raise the revenue-to-GDP ratio to 10.2 percent from around 8 percent in FY26. If achieved, it would mark Bangladesh's highest ratio since 1993.
- Fitch revenue collection would be the main test of the budget's credibility. The government is targeting 18 percent nominal revenue growth year-on-year while planning to increase spending by 19 percent.
- Measures proposed to boost collections include simplifying tax procedures, reducing tax exemptions, easing value-added tax compliance for small and medium-sized enterprises, and increasing non-tax revenue from state investments in state-owned enterprises, corporations and banks.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/new-budget-faces-revenue-execution-risks-says-fitch-4200311>

PM orders green infrastructure for Chinese EZ in Anwara

The Financial Express, June 16, 2026

- Prime Minister Tarique Rahman today (Tuesday) directed the authorities concerned to ensure a comprehensive waste management system and mandatory integration of renewable energy in the Chinese Economic and Industrial Zone in Anwara, Chattogram.
- The directives came during a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC), where the 'Supporting Infrastructure Project for Chinese Economic and Industrial Zone' project was approved, conditional upon addressing environmental issues and incorporating sustainable energy solutions into the project design, BSS reports.
- State Minister for Planning Zonayed Abdur Rahim Saki disclosed the information while briefing reporters at NEC Conference room in the city following the ECNEC meeting held at the Cabinet Division in the city.
- The ECNEC approved the "Supporting Infrastructure Project for Chinese Economic and Industrial Zone" at an estimated cost of Tk 4,189.4597 crore, aimed at accelerating industrialization and attracting foreign investment.
- Of the total project cost of Tk 4,189.4597 crore, the government will provide Tk 1,722.1985 crore, while Tk 2,467.2612 crore will come from project loans and grants.
- During the review of the project proposal, the Prime Minister emphasized the need to strengthen environmental safeguards and instructed the implementing agencies to incorporate several key measures before execution.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/bangladesh/pm-orders-green-infrastructure-for-chinese-ez-in-anwara>

International

Oil markets bet Trump would chicken out on Iran. They won

The Daily Star, June 16, 2026

- Never bet against Donald Trump? The oil market appears to have made a risky wager from day one of the Iran war: The US president would not allow the conflict to spiral into a full-blown economic crisis. So traders wouldn't price one in, no matter what was happening with physical supplies. It was a risky call, but it proved correct.
- Oil prices certainly swung during the three-and-a-half-month war, as Iran's key weapon was the unprecedented closure of the Strait of Hormuz. Tehran was able to choke off a fifth of the world's oil and liquefied natural gas supplies overnight, gaining significant leverage.
- Benchmark Brent crude surged from around \$70 a barrel before the war to a peak of 118 in late March, before sliding back to 83 after Washington and Tehran announced a preliminary deal on Sunday.
- Given that the supply disruption was one of the largest in modern history, these moves were remarkably restrained. Consider that oil prices surged to 123 a barrel in the aftermath of Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022.
- This reflected market fears about the partial disruption of Moscow's oil exports, which had totalled around 7.5 million barrels per day (bpd) the previous year.
- That is around half the effective volume lost during the Hormuz blockade. For decades, a Hormuz shutdown has been treated as the ultimate doomsday scenario for oil markets. Yet when it finally happened, prices jumped, but they didn't spiral.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/global-economy/news/oil-markets-bet-trump-would-chicken-out-iran-they-won-4200671>

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