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Stock Market & Company

Dhaka stocks fall for second session as earnings anxiety weighs

The Business Standard, Sep 27, 2026

- The capital market opened the week on a weak note today (27 September), with investors selling shares amid anxiety over upcoming corporate financial results and a lack of fresh positive triggers, sending the benchmark index down for a second consecutive session.
- The DSEX, the benchmark index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange, fell 45 points, or 0.81%, to settle at 5,532, while the blue-chip DS30 index dropped 12 points to close at 2,099.
- Market breadth was overwhelmingly negative, with 277 issues declining against 75 advancing and 36 remaining unchanged. Daily turnover fell 4% to Tk727 crore from the previous session.
- Stockbrokers attributed the downturn mainly to anxiety over corporate earnings and continued profit-booking.
- In its daily market review, EBL Securities said the benchmark opened in negative territory as cautious investors adopted a wait-and-see approach amid limited conviction about the market's upward trajectory. The absence of immediate bullish catalysts and uncertainty over upcoming earnings announcements from companies with June year-end kept buyers largely on the sidelines.

STOCKS OPEN WEEK IN THE RED

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Dhaka bourse

DSEX falls 45 points to close at 5,532
 Blue-chip DS30 slips 12 points to settle at 2,099
 277 issues decline, 75 advance, 36 unchanged
 Turnover falls 4% to TK727cr

INDEX DRAGGERS

- LafargeHolcim Cement
- Pubali Bank
- Islami Bank
- UCB
- Beximco Pharma

Top gainers	Change (%)
Prime Bank 1st ICB	9.85
AMCL Mutual Fund	9.65
CAPM IBBL Mutual Fund	7.22
ICB AMCL First Agrani Bank Mutual Fund	7.01
Samorita Hospital	6.71
Khulna Printing	6.71

Top losers	Change (%)
Meghna Condensed Milk	6.09
CNA Textile	6.06
Sharp Industries	5.75
Premier Cement	5.64
BIFC	5.55

Chittagong Stock Exchange

CSCX drops 90 points to close at 9,057
 CASPI plummets 128 points to settle at 14,783
 Turnover jumps 136% to TK39.52cr



<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/dhaka-stocks-fall-second-session-earnings-anxiety-weighs-1555566>

Apex Footwear recommends 30pc dividend for FY26

The Financial Express, Sep 27, 2026

- Apex Footwear has recommended a 30 per cent dividend, comprising 15 per cent cash and 15 per cent stock, for the year ended June 30, 2026.
- The board made the recommendation at a meeting and also proposed holding the company's annual general meeting (AGM) on November 29, 2026 at 11:00 am.

- The AGM will be held virtually through a digital platform in line with an order of the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC).
- The company has set October 15, 2026 as the record date for determining shareholders eligible for the dividend.
- The listed home-grown shoemaker posted a nearly 15 per cent year-on-year growth in earnings per share to Tk 7.91 for FY26, up from a restated Tk 6.90 a year earlier, supported by higher sales.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/apex-footwear-recommends-30pc-dividend-for-fy26>

IPDC Finance gets central bank nod to launch Islamic finance window

The Business Standard, Sep 27, 2026

- IPDC Finance, a listed non-bank financial institution, has received in-principle approval from the Bangladesh Bank to launch Shariah-based financing through a dedicated Islamic Finance Wing, subject to fulfilling stipulated terms and conditions.
- In a disclosure published on the Dhaka Stock Exchange today (27 September), the NBFi said it will now take the necessary steps to meet the central bank's requirements before applying for final approval to commence the business.
- The company will amend its Memorandum and Articles of Association, form an independent Shariah supervisory committee, establish a separate Islamic finance division, segregate Islamic funds, and implement prescribed policies, an operational manual and separate accounting arrangements.
- Once the conditions are fulfilled, IPDC Finance will apply to the Bangladesh Bank for final approval to commence its Islamic Shariah-based financing business, according to the disclosure.
- The company's board decided in August to commence Shariah-compliant business operations through an Islamic finance window, subject to approval from the relevant regulatory authorities. The Islamic finance operations will run alongside its existing conventional operations, according to an earlier disclosure.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/ipdc-finance-gets-central-bank-nod-launch-islamic-finance-window-1555586>

Apex Tannery starts work on Tk12cr effluent treatment plant

The Business Standard, Sep 27, 2026

- Apex Tannery Limited, a listed leather manufacturer, has started work on a Tk12 crore in-house effluent treatment plant (ETP), beginning with soil excavation yesterday, according to a disclosure to the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE).
- The company's board approved the project at a meeting on 13 January this year. The facility will also include a chrome recovery plant and a sewage treatment plant, covering an estimated 12,000-15,000 square feet.
- The company's shares closed at Tk93.50 on the DSE today (27 September).
- The project is designed to treat effluent generated throughout the production process, from wet blue to finished leather, and help the company comply with environmental regulations and international buyers' standards.
- Apex Tannery operates its factory at the BSCIC Tannery Industrial Estate in Hemayetpur, Savar, where a central effluent treatment plant (CETP) serves tannery operators. Concerns over the CETP's capacity and effectiveness have increased the importance of in-house treatment facilities for manufacturers in the estate.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/apex-tannery-starts-work-tk12cr-effluent-treatment-plant-1555576>

Envoy Textiles recommends 32.5% cash dividend

The Business Standard, Sep 27, 2026

- Envoy Textiles Limited has recommended a 32.50% cash dividend, equivalent to Tk3.25 per share of Tk10 each, for the fiscal year ended 30 June 2026.

- The company's board approved the audited financial statements and dividend recommendation at a meeting on 27 September, according to a price-sensitive information disclosure.
- The textile manufacturer reported a net profit after tax of Tk138 crore for FY26, slightly down from Tk140.89 crore a year earlier. Its earnings per share (EPS) stood at Tk8.24, compared with Tk8.40 in FY25.
- Despite the decline in profit, net operating cash flow per share (NOCFPS) rose sharply to Tk14.88 from Tk4.77. Net asset value (NAV) per share also increased to Tk60.33 from Tk58.32.
- The company will seek shareholder approval for the dividend and audited financial statements at its annual general meeting (AGM) on 5 December. The record date has been set for 26 October.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/envoy-textiles-recommends-325-cash-dividend-1555556>

Economy & Industry

Chinese firms turn Savar tannery waste into \$1.5m exports

The Business Standard, Sep 27, 2026

- What was once deemed a burden and an environmental nightmare has now become a high-value industry.
- For years, chemical-laden solid waste from leather tanneries was dumped in the open, polluting surrounding ecosystems. Today, a Tk100 crore investment by a Chinese group has turned that hazard into an opportunity.
- Establishing two firms in Bangladesh, China's Wenzhou Yuanfei Group is converting tannery refuse into industrial protein powder and pharmaceutical-grade gelatin – turning hazardous waste into essential commercial materials.
- Since last year, the group has exported around \$1.5 million worth of products to China, Cambodia and other countries – around \$1.3 million in gelatin and \$300,000 in protein powders.
- It has also recently received a \$400,000 order from Hong Kong for gelatin products, according to a letter submitted to the finance ministry.



<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/industry/chinese-firms-turn-savar-tannery-waste-15m-exports-1554786>

Foreign aid disbursement drops 60pc to \$295m in July-August

The Daily Star, Sep 27, 2026

- Bangladesh's foreign project aid disbursement dropped sharply by more than 60 per cent year-on-year to \$294.56 million in the first two months of the current fiscal year, according to provisional data from the Economic Relations Division (ERD).
- According to the ERD's Foreign Assistance Monthly Report for FY2026-27, Bangladesh received \$294.56 million in project assistance disbursement during July-August, down from \$750.07 million in the corresponding period of FY2025-26.
- The latest disbursement comprised \$291.37 million in loans and \$3.19 million in grants, compared with \$746.16 million in loans and \$3.91 million in grants a year earlier, reports UNB.
- Among the major development partners, the Asian Development Bank disbursed \$128.72 million during the two-month period, followed by the International Development Association (IDA) with \$73.96 million.

<https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/foreign-aid-disbursement-drops-60pc-to-295m>

International

US to finalize sharply lower vehicle fuel economy standards

The Daily Star, Sep 27, 2026

- The US Transportation Department on Monday will finalize sharply lower vehicle fuel economy standards through 2031, reversing a push by the Biden administration to force automakers to build more electric vehicles, officials said on Saturday.
- President Donald Trump said he had approved new fuel economy standards for cars and trucks, which he said will lower the price of new vehicles. "A major victory for America's auto workers is coming Monday," Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy said.
- The new standards would cut the cost of new vehicles but increase fuel consumption and carbon dioxide emissions for decades, according to the department's own estimates.
- Trump's push comes as American drivers are grappling with sharply higher fuel prices since the start of the US-Israeli war with Iran at the end of February.
- Under Democratic President Joe Biden, the government sought to push automakers to build more electric vehicles to meet rising fuel-efficiency standards.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/us-finalize-sharply-lower-vehicle-fuel-economy-standards-4284101>

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