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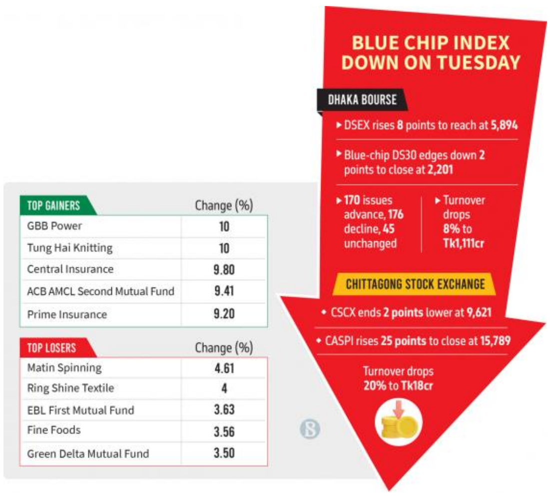
Stock Market & Company

DSEX edges higher in volatile trade as insurance stocks spark resilience

The Business Standard, Aug 04, 2026

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) closed marginally higher today (4 August) after a volatile trading session marked by a tug-of-war between bargain hunters and profit-takers.
- The benchmark DSEX index rose 8 points, or 0.14%, to 5,894. However, the blue-chip DS30 index slipped 2 points to 2,201, suggesting investors selectively favoured momentum-driven stocks over large-cap heavyweights, market insiders said.
- Market breadth remained almost evenly balanced, with 170 stocks advancing, 176 declining and 45 remaining unchanged.Turnover at the premier bourse declined 8% from the previous session to Tk1,111 crore, indicating slightly weaker market participation.
- According to EBL Securities, the market showed resilience as investors continued accumulating momentum-driven stocks despite lingering concerns about the market's underlying strength.



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Mutual funds steal the show as DSE extends winning streak to fourth month

The Business Standard, Aug 05, 2026

- The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) extended its winning streak for a fourth consecutive month in July, driven by a spectacular rally in mutual funds, encouraging corporate earnings and a series of market-friendly policy initiatives that strengthened investor confidence.
- The benchmark DSEX index gained 132 points, or 2.3%, to close at 5,895, according to Sheltech Brokerage Limited's monthly market review. The blue-chip DS30 index rose 1.78% to 2,217, while the Shariah-based DSES advanced 2.32% to 1,195.
- Market participation also improved. Average daily turnover increased 4.03% month-on-month to Tk1,254 crore, while average daily trading volume rose 9.57% to 425.5 million shares.
- Mutual funds emerged as the top-performing sector in July, with market capitalisation surging nearly 22% - the highest among all sectors.

- Sheltech Brokerage attributed the rally to growing optimism over government plans to reform the long-neglected mutual fund industry. Investors accumulated fund units in anticipation of measures aimed at improving institutional participation and long-term valuations.

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Robi invests Tk9,331cr in network expansion since IPO, drives fivefold profit growth

The Business Standard, Aug 04, 2026

- Robi Axiata PLC, one of the country's largest telecom operators, said it has invested Tk9,331.36 crore in network expansion over the past five years since making its capital market debut in 2020, boosting its digital infrastructure and driving operational growth.
- Supported by this investment, the company has delivered consistent profit growth since listing, enabling it to pay handsome dividends to shareholders.
- Robi raised Tk523.79 crore through its initial public offering (IPO) in late 2020.
- Although it initially skipped a dividend payout for that year, it later revised its decision and declared a 5% cash dividend. Since then, the operator has consistently paid dividends, with payouts growing alongside its increasing profitability.

- At a media briefing titled "Five Years in the Stock Market: Governance Excellence Driving Performance" held at a city hotel, Robi said sustained investment, stronger corporate governance, and an expanding digital business have driven steady financial and operational growth.

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Bank Asia doubles authorised capital to Tk3,000cr

The Business Standard, Aug 04, 2026

- Bank Asia PLC has received regulatory clearance to double its authorised share capital to Tk3,000 crore, a strategic move that provides the lender with significant room for future capital expansion.
- According to a disclosure filed with the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) yesterday, the bank's authorised capital has been enhanced from Tk1,500 crore – comprising 150 crore ordinary shares – to Tk3,000 crore, divided into 300 crore ordinary shares with a face value of Tk10 each.
- The enhancement has been duly approved and certified by the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms (RJSC). Consequently, the bank has amended the relevant clauses of its Memorandum and Articles of Association to reflect the new capital structure.
- Currently, Bank Asia's paid-up capital stands at Tk1,391.50 crore, meaning the bank now has the flexibility to more than double its existing paid-up base through rights issues or bonus shares in the coming years, according to the market insiders.

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Navana Pharma sponsor to transfer 16 lakh shares to managing director

The Business Standard, Aug 05, 2026

- Sponsor Manzurul Islam of Navana Pharmaceuticals PLC is set to transfer 16.04 lakh shares to the company's Managing Director, Md Jonaid Shafiq, through an off-market transaction approved by the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE).
- According to a DSE disclosure, the shares will be transferred outside the trading system within the next 30 working days, effective from 2 August. The transfer will be executed through an off-market transaction and is not a gift.
- Meanwhile, the listed drug maker continues to deliver strong financial results. In the January-March quarter of FY26, Navana Pharmaceuticals reported earnings per share (EPS) of Tk1.22, up from Tk1.01 in the same period a year earlier.
- For the first nine months of FY2025-26, EPS rose to Tk4.59 from Tk3.49 a year ago.
- The company attributed the 31.5% year-on-year growth in quarterly earnings to higher sales revenue and improved cost management.

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Economy & Industry

BGMEA, OCAB join hands to attract Chinese investment in RMG

The Daily Star, Aug 04, 2026

- The Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) has launched a new initiative with the Overseas Chinese Association in Bangladesh (OCAB) to attract Chinese investment into the country's ready-made garment (RMG) sector, with a focus on strengthening backward linkage industries, promoting joint ventures, and reviving struggling factories.
- The initiative was discussed at a bilateral meeting held at the BGMEA Complex in Dhaka's Uttara today, where leaders of the two organisations explored ways to facilitate investment, technology transfer and business partnerships between Chinese investors and Bangladeshi manufacturers.
- The BGMEA delegation was led by its president, Mahmud Hasan Khan, while the OCAB delegation included Vice President Lisa Lou, Vice President and Secretary General Vivian Huang, Executive Director Steven Zhang and Secretary Tina Hu.
- During the meeting, the Chinese delegation said greater foreign investment would be crucial for developing and modernising Bangladesh's upstream supply chain for the garment industry, according to a statement from the BGMEA.

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Plastic factories run at 30% capacity amid energy crisis

The Daily Star, Aug 05, 2026

- Bangladesh's plastic manufacturers yesterday urged faster adoption of rooftop solar, claiming factory utilisation has dropped to as low as 30 percent amid a prolonged energy crisis, making renewable energy essential to sustaining production, lowering costs and remaining competitive.
- The call came at a seminar on "Renewable Energy: The Future of Sustainable Manufacturing", organised by the Bangladesh Plastic Goods Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BPGMEA) and the STAC Foundation, a non-profit organisation, at the association's conference room yesterday.Shamim Ahmed, president of BPGMEA, said uninterrupted electricity is critical for the plastic industry.
- "Our main raw material is plastic, but without power we cannot run our factories," he said.
- According to Shamim, the industry's operating capacity has deteriorated sharply because of persistent gas and electricity shortages.

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International

Gold price rises over 2%

The Daily Star, Aug 06, 2026

- Gold rose more than 2 percent on Wednesday to a one-month high as hopes of a US-Iran peace deal tempered some inflation concerns, while investors awaited key US jobs data for clues on the Federal Reserve's policy path.
- Spot gold climbed 2.2 percent to $4,164.13 per ounce by 0836 GMT, its highest level since July 7. US gold futures rose 1.7 percent to $4,223.60.
- US President Donald Trump said his administration had "very good discussions" with Iran during all-day negotiations on Tuesday, fuelling expectations of an imminent end to the five-month conflict.
- "There are increasing signs of a Gulf ceasefire deal, which means Treasury yields are moving lower on easing inflation worries, which helps make non-yielding assets like gold more attractive," said Jamie Dutta, a market analyst at trading platform Nemo.money.
- The US dollar remained under pressure, making greenback-priced metals more attractive to holders of other currencies, while yields on the benchmark 10-year US Treasury note fell to a one-week low.

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