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ECONOMIC & STOCK MARKET NEWS

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Index	20-05-2026	19-05-2026	Point Change	%Change
DSEX	5222.38	5211.54	10.84	0.21%
DSES	1061.77	1059.46	2.31	0.22%
DSE30	1974.81	1970.19	4.62	0.23%

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CS50	1092.78	1093.17	-0.39	-0.04%
CS30	12858.08	12873.77	-15.69	-0.12%
CSI	893.86	894.06	-0.2	-0.02%

Govt plans more jute mills' privatisation

Commerce, industries, textiles and jute minister Khandaker Abdul Muktadir on Tuesday said that the government aimed to transform Bangladesh's traditional jute sector into a \$5 billion to \$7 billion export-oriented industry through stronger private sector participation, modernisation and product diversification...

NEWAGE

Gold falls from three-week high on profit-booking, firm dollar

Gold prices fell on Tuesday as investors booked profits after bullion rose more than 2% in the previous session, while pressure from a stronger dollar also weighed on the yellow metal. Spot gold fell 0.8% to \$5,189.99 per ounce by 0125 GMT, snapping a four-session winning streak and dropping from

The Financial Express

Robi's hiring of foreign executive challenged

The appointment of Shoaib Baig as chief human resources officer of Robi Axiata has raised serious questions over the telecom operator's recruitment practices as the company ignored allegations of ethical misconduct, irregular appointments and controversial dismissals linked to his previous employers in Pakistan...

NEWAGE

Govt plans higher value-addition for exports

Officials say if an exporter fails to meet the requirement, it will not receive any cash incentive and the duty benefits on raw material imports.

The Business Standard

Secure IPR framework vital to boosting FDI: AmCham

A secure intellectual property rights framework is vital to attracting more foreign direct investment while giving global importers and promoters the confidence to source products from Bangladesh...

NEWAGE

Cenbank weighs interest rate cut as officials remain divided

The debate comes as lending rates remain elevated following recent policy rate hikes. Businesses have repeatedly urged the central bank to reduce rates, but no action has been taken so far.

The Business Standard

PDB proposes 21pc hike in wholesale electricity prices, faces strong opposition

The Bangladesh Power Development Board on Wednesday proposed a 21 per cent hike in wholesale electricity prices amid strong opposition from consumer rights groups, business leaders and political activists.

NEWAGE

BEPZA secures \$15m investment to establish tent & camping factory at BEPZA EZ

An agreement to this effect was signed today at the BEPZA Complex, Dhaka, between the Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA) and Sunshine Outdoor (BD) Co, Ltd, said a press release.

The Business Standard

BB warns banks against dollar market manipulation

Bangladesh Bank governor Mostaqur Rahman on Tuesday warned banks against manipulating the dollar market and said strict action would be taken against banks found involved in irregular practices...

NEWAGE

Women on boards necessary for strong corporate governance: Seminar

Speakers at a seminar insisted on building a strong network and database of qualified female professionals to help listed companies appoint competent women to board positions and strengthen corporate governance. "The companies with diverse leadership structures are generally better positioned to e

The Financial Express

Egg, chicken prices remain high

Prices of eggs and chicken remained high in the capital's kitchen markets on Friday, leaving consumers under pressure.

NEWAGE

LankaBangla Securities declares no dividend for second year in a row

Despite the decision to withhold dividends, the company's audited financial report showed a marginal increase in profitability.

The Business Standard

DSE to investigate financial activities of three weak companies

Staff Correspondent: The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) is going to start an investigative inspection of the activities of three financially weak companies listed on the main stock exchange. To this end, the financial capacity of the companies, ...

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Three banks in trouble due to provision shortfall, questions over actual financial position

Staff Correspondent: Three banks listed on the stock market—The Premier Bank PLC, Standard Bank PLC and Al-Arafah Islami Bank PLC—have reported large provisions in their 2025 audit reports.

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Steps to relocate BPC office from Chittagong

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