

Economy

Sluggish ADP implementation weighs on government's net bank borrowing

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- The government has reined in bank borrowing after a spree early in the fiscal year, with analysts blaming the sluggish pace of development work.
- Bangladesh Bank data show the government borrowed BDT 166.01bn (USD 1.35bn) from commercial banks in July and August, the first two months of the fiscal year, while repaying BDT 37.28bn (USD 0.30bn) owed to the central bank.

From: <https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/bangladesh/sluggish-adp-implementation-weighs-on-governments-net-bank-borrowing>

Remittance slows in September despite 13.3pc first-quarter growth

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- Remittance inflows to Bangladesh slowed in September, with expatriates sending home USD 2.77bn—the lowest monthly amount in 11 months. The figure was still 3pchigher than the USD 2.69bn received in September last year, according to updated Bangladesh Bank data released on Thursday.
- Despite the recent slowdown, remittance growth remained strong in the first quarter of the 2026-27 fiscal year. Bangladesh received USD 8.59bn from July to September, up 13.3pc from USD 7.59bn during the same period a year earlier.

From: <https://thefinancialexpress.com.bd/economy/remittance-slows-in-september-despite-133pc-first-quarter-growth>

Export growth picks up as garment rebounds

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- The country's merchandise exports rose 8.54pc year-on-year to USD 3.93bn in September, helped by a gradual recovery in garment shipments, according to data from the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) released.
- However, September earnings were 11.11pc lower than the USD 4.42bn recorded in August, data showed.

From: <https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/export-growth-picks-garment-rebounds-4288266>

Banking

Govt plans to borrow BDT 301bn (USD 2.45bn) through treasury bills, bonds in October-December

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- The planned borrowing is lower than the more than BDT 350bn (USD 2.85bn) in net borrowing targeted through government securities in the previous July-September quarter.
- The increased borrowing comes amid a shortfall in government revenue collection and rising expenditure pressures, including the implementation of the new pay scale for government employees.

From: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/govt-plans-borrow-tk30107cr-through-treasury-bills-bonds-oct-dec-1560121>

Energy and Power

New energy roadmap targets local coal, gas, solar

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- The government has unveiled a comprehensive short-, medium-, and long-term energy roadmap aimed at bolstering national energy security, meeting rapidly growing electricity demand, and mitigating fuel supply vulnerabilities through domestic resource extraction and modern technology.
- The policy document, titled "Challenges and future roadmap for Bangladesh's power and energy sector", was presented by the Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources to Prime Minister Tarique Rahman on 14 September.

From: <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/energy/new-energy-roadmap-targets-local-coal-gas-solar-1560911>

International

Oil settles lower

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- Crude futures finished down after European leaders agreed to US President Donald Trump's request to release diesel reserves to lower prices and reduce fuel imports from the US.
- Brent settled down 6 cents, or 0.06pc, at USD 102.25 a barrel. WTI finished down USD 1.76, or 1.90pc, at USD 91.11 a barrel.

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G7 countries agree on release of diesel and oil stocks after US pressure

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- Group of Seven countries agreed on Friday to release 100mn barrels of diesel and crude oil from emergency reserves and pledged to refrain from energy export restrictions after pressure from US President Donald Trump.

- The US led a pressure campaign on the European Union to draw down emergency diesel inventories, with the Trump administration warning that failure to act could lead to a US ban on diesel exports. Such a ban could sharply reduce supplies to Europe, which has become increasingly reliant on US diesel, and potentially inflict high economic costs on the bloc.

From: <https://www.tbsnews.net/world/g7-countries-agree-release-diesel-and-oil-stocks-after-us-pressure-1560971>

US job growth undershoots expectations in September, but labor market remains stable

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- US job growth slowed more than expected in September and the nonfarm payrolls count for the prior two months was revised sharply lower, almost taking another interest rate hike from the Federal Reserve this month off the table.
- The Labor Department's closely watched employment report on Friday also showed the unemployment rate increased to 4.2pc last month from 4.1pc in August as more people entered the workforce.

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