

Trading nations face crucial test in WTO talks

AFP, Geneva
Trading nations will face a crucial test when they gather this week to revitalise the WTO's struggling Doha Round...

Falconer, the New Zealand ambassador leading the farm talks.
The prospect of imminent death focuses the mind wonderfully. We need to have our minds focused wonderfully. In fact, I would settle for them being focused fully stop, he added.

In between they have two intermediate deadlines to complete crucial sections of a deal, including one this week.
We are in the danger zone and were not to have an agreement by the end of June, we'd be in an even greater danger zone, warned WTO chief Pascal Lamy.

A failure of the Doha Round would be first and foremost a loss for the developing world, who fought hard to launch a trade negotiation that would set the trade record straight.
We now have a once in a generation opportunity to correct the imbalances in multilateral trade, he said.



A delegation of Bangladesh Association of Software & Information Services (BASIS) led by its President Sharor Alam calls on Post and Telecommunications Minister Md Aminul Hoque at the latter's office in Dhaka on Tuesday.



M Shamsul Huda, vice president (sales & marketing) of satellite channel ATN Bangla, and Geetara Safiya Choudhury, chairman of Adcomm Ltd, exchange documents after renewing the existing advertising contract between the two companies.



Rezaul Karim, director of International Office Machines (IOM) Ltd, the exclusive distributor of Toshiba brand digital multifunction copiers, receives 'Gold Award for Outstanding Performance 2005' from Yuichi Nozawa, general manager of Toshiba, Jimmy Lim, regional manager, and Andy Ow, country manager, at a function held recently in Taipei.



Omar Sharif Khan, managing director, and Imtiaz Uddoulla, director (PR) of www.amargar.com, a web portal for Bangladeshi car customers, highlight special features of the site at the formal inauguration of the web portal in Dhaka on Saturday.

There have been conflicting signals about the likelihood of a deal when dozens of trade ministers representing key WTO players hold crunch talks at the organisation's base from June 29 to July 3.
Political leaders including US President George W. Bush, as well as trade chiefs from Brazil, India, the EU and Japan, have again hammered home the message that concluding the Doha Round remains a top priority.

Web portal for car search launched

A web portal, based on information about cars and vehicles available in Bangladesh market, was launched on Saturday in Dhaka.
The website www.amargar.com will primarily help customers find new and reconitioned vehicles available for sale in different locations in the capital and other cities in the country, says a press release.
Customers can also apply for car loans through this website, launched by Ex Corporation, a business house.

CURRENCY

Table showing following Sunday's (June 25, 2006) forex trading statement by Standard Chartered Bank. Columns include Sell, Buy, and various currency rates.

Exchange rates of some currencies against US dollar
Indian rupee Pak rupee Lankan rupee Thai baht New Korean NZ dollar Malaysian ringgit
Local interbank FX Trading
Local interbank FX market was subdued on Sunday, USD remained unchanged against the Bangladeshi taka.

TODAY'S TRADED ISSUES June 25, 2006

Large table listing traded issues with columns for Company, FV/ML, Price, Change, Turnover, DSE, CSE, and Financial Performance.

Market Highlights - June 25, 2006

Table showing market highlights including indicators, DSE All Share Index, DSE General Index, and turnover leaders.

Non Traded Issues

Table listing non-traded issues with columns for Company, FV/ML, Last Closing Price, Last Trading Day, DSE, CSE, and Financial Performance.

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