Time liabilities of scheduled banks stand at Tk 19625cr

By Staff Correspondent

The time liabilities of the scheduled banks stood at Taka 19625 crore on February 19, according to the latest statement of Scheduled Banks Affairs by the Bangladesh Bank.

As on February 19, the demand liabilities of the banks amounted to Taka 5418 crore.

Borrowings by the scheduled banks from the Bangladesh Bank totalled Taka 3560 crore while the domestic bank credit stood at Taka 21581 crore. The intra-bank deposits held in current account amounted to Taka 130 crore.

Deposits with the central bank totalled Taka 1834 crore.

Investment of the banks at their book value stood at Taka 4547 crore. Money at call and short notice amounted to Taka 320.9 crore while cash on hand aggregated Taka 313 crore.

BARC holds its 23rd extended council meeting

The 23rd extended council meeting of the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) was held Sunday with Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation, Flood Control and Water Resources Major General (Retd) M Majedul Haq in the chair, reports UNB.

The meeting took important decisions on effective coordination, monitoring and evaluation of agricultural research.

It also reviewed various activities of BARC including development of strategic agricultural research plan, human resource development strategy and national agricultural research system.

Tk 49.15 cr EC project grant

Bangladesh will receive from the Commission of the European Communities a project grant assistance of 12.85 million US dollars equivalent to Tk.49.15 crore, reports UNB.

A term of a financing memorandum to this effect was signed in Brussels on Friday between the government of Bangladesh and the Commission, officials said yesterday.

The grant will be utilized by the Education Ministry for construction of 200 primary schools-cum-cyclone shelters (priority programme) in different areas of the cyclone-affected zone.

Bangladesh to receive wheat grant from France

The country will receive 20,000 metric tons of wheat in grant from France for the year 1992, reports UNB.

An agreement was signed between the government of Bangladesh and the government of France on March 12 in Paris, said a PID release Sunday.

Bangladesh Ambassador KM Shahabuddin signed the agreement on behalf of the government.

With the latest quantity, total food aid from France will stand at 270,674 metric tons since 1972.

Agrani Bank cuts interest rates on fixed, savings deposits

By Staff Correspondent

The Board of Directors, Agrani Bank, at a meeting Thursday decided to revise the interest rates on savings and fixed deposits with effect from March 1, 1992.

The interest rate on savings deposit has been refixed at 9.25 per cent from the earlier 9.50 per cent while that on fixed deposit for 36 months and above at 12.50 per cent from the earlier 12.75 per cent.

The interest rates on other deposits remain unchanged.

Money rates 10 pc to 11.5 pc

By Staff Correspondent

Money rates in the Call Money market during the week ending 4.3.92 ranged from 10.00 per cent to 11.50 per cent.

During the week interest rates offered by the Bank on Certificate of Deposits varied from 7.00 per cent to 13.50 per cent. The bank rate, however, remained unchanged at 9.25 per cent according to official sources.

Bangladesh Bank's external balance drops by Tk 3.9cr

By Staff Correspondent

Balances held out side the country by Bangladesh Bank dropped by Taka 3.90 crore in the week ending on February 19.

The latest statement on the Bangladesh Bank, the amount stood at Taka 4899.86 crore on February 19 as against Taka 4903 crore on February 13.

Notes in circulation also declined by Taka 30.69 crore in the week and stood at Taka 3790.76 crore. The amount was Taka 3822 crore the previous week.

On the liabilities side of Issue Department, besides notes in circulation, notes held in the Banking Department stood at Taka 90.99 lakh.

On the asset side of the Issue Department amount of approved foreign exchange remained unchanged at Taka 200 crore while the Government Securities valued at Taka 387.94 core and Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial papers amounted at Taka 3108.08 crore.

On the asset side of the Banking Department, bills purchased and discounted which included Government Treasury Bills stood at Taka 336.28 crore while loans and advances to government amounted at Taka 16.50 crore. Other loans and advances valued at Taka 1039.63 crore and other assets totalled Taka 1634.78 crore.

On the liabilities side of the Banking Department, deposits which included the government banks and others amounted to Taka 6350.90 crore. Besides its Paid Up Capital Reserve Fund, Rural Credit Fund, Industrial Credit Fund, Export Credit Fund and Agricultural Credit Stabilisation Fund valued at Taka 1525.53 crore.

Prices decline at final tea sale

By Staff Correspondent

Reduced demand led to much lower rates at the final tea auction sale of the season held in Chittagong on Tuesday last.

According to a Unity Brokers market report, the small quantity of tea on offer at the sale met with less export demand and internal traders were less active because of the month of ramzan.

Prices eased as the sale progressed and withdrawals were fairly high. The final sale of the season consisted of only 3,203 packages leaf along with five packages of new season teas and these were mostly end of season, poorer quality teas.

Overall withdrawals stood at 40 per cent of the stock on offer against last week's 29 per cent at this sale (no 45).

Of the total quantity of leaf on offer at the sale, 48 per cent was procured by internal traders while export buyers brought only nine per cent and the remaining 43 per cent was withdrawn.

In the dust category, internal traders accounted for 66 per cent of the sale while purchase by export buyers was at a negligible one per cent and the rest 33 per cent of the stock remained unsold.

Following is the category-wise market report as prepared by Unity Brokers:

CTC: A nominal quantity of good and medium broken generally eased by Taka two to Taka four. The best types realised between Taka 50.20 and Taka 55.

Cleaner fannings sold at around last levels. Medium and poorer sorts eased at between Taka two and Taka five. Internal popular types realised between Taka 51 and Taka 57.20.

Orthodox: A small quantity of orthodox broken sold between Taka 14 and Taka 17.50 whilst the fannings realised between Taka 13 and Taka 27. There were some withdrawals.

Dust: 1,208 packages were offered at the final sale and prices generally declined by Taka two and Taka five.

Green Tea: 1,208 packages were offered and these were all withdrawn without registering any bids.

The next tea auction sale of the new season will be set by the coordination committee.

Rohingyas pose threat to Cox's Bazar forest

COX's BAZAR, Mar 15: The Rohingya refugees from Burma, sheltered in the bordering districts of Cox's Bazar and Banderban, have been destroying the country's forest resources, concerned sources here warned, reports UNB.

The sources pointed out that the refugees, whose figure has now swelled to more than 1.5 lakh, were felling trees and cutting branches indiscriminately, thus posing a great threat to the local environment and habitat.

A forest department source estimated that about 30,000 square feet of wood worth nearly Tk. 4 lakh were being extracted by the refugees everyday for use as fuel wood for cooking and fencing their makeshift huts.

The Muslim refugees fleeing Arakan to escape alleged persecution and atrocities by the Burmese troops, have been given shelter in ten camps, covering a total area of 463 acres of reserve forests and hills in the two districts.

Sources said the refugees would require fuel wood roughly worth about Tk 14 crore for one year.

The local forest officials have reportedly informed the Chief Conservator of Forests and the Forest Ministry in Dhaka expressing their concern over the unscrupulous felling of trees by the refugees.

A GIFT FROM NATURE : A vendor is selling 'dub' (green coconut) on a city side-walk. During these long hot days of Ramzan this natural drink is a true blessing for the devotees.

Opinion

Rehabilitation of sick industries should be indiscriminatory

By Nuruddin

Default in repayment of overdue industrial loans should, by no means, be encouraged and allowed to go unattended. Firm stand to realise the long overdue loans accumulated during the last one decade or more, is a positive indication of the government's intention to mobilise more resources for investment with better planning and objective.

But it should also be borne in mind while implementing the loan realisation ordinance that the owners of sick industries should be not punished just by oversight. Many industries became sick because of actions taken by financial institutions and bank's top management rather than the entrepreneur's lack of planning and proper implementation.

However when a industry becomes sick, the main thing to remember that it is sick, no matter who is at fault. Sick Industries Revival and Rehabilitation Cell has taken up excellent undertaking in collaboration with ministries concerned to revive and rehabilitate these units as far as possible and whatever is the success, their contribution will be a positive one toward the country's economic growth.

When I went through the report of issue of the Daily Star of March 11, 1992 under the caption "Government asks banks not to prosecute sick industry owners till April 30," I could find, to my surprise, only the names of BSB, BSRS, BKB, Sonali Bank, Agrani Bank, Janata Bank, Rupali Bank, Pubali Bank and Uttara Bank.

But these are not the only banks and financial institutions who are providing industrial loans in Bangladesh. Our government and the body on sick industries are definitely aware of this fact and this body on sick industries have already received many application from industrialists who were given loans by financial institutions other than those mentioned above.

Once this difficult task of reviving and rehabilitating the sick industries has been undertaken by the body on sick industries, no matter what is the source of fund, all entreprenuers should be placed on the same platform for the sake of justice. In a democratic country where everybody is entitled to justice and uniform treatment there should not be any scope for any discrimination.

I believe and fervently hope that financial institutions like Industrial Promotion & Development Company of Bangladesh (IPDC), Saudi-Bangladesh Industrial and Agricultural Investment Company (SABINCO) and others should also be brought under the same umbrella. The Ministry of Industries should take immediate steps in this regard before any damage is done. s

The views expressed by the author are his own and not necessarily shared by The Daily Star.

Shipping Intelligence

Chittagong Port

Berthing position & performance of vessels as on 15/3/92.

Berth No	Name of Vessels	Local agent	Date of Arrival	Leaving	Cargo
J/1	Al Swamruz	ASLL	4/3	20/3	GI/GL
J/2	Banglar Shampad	BSC	R/A	16/3	Rice
J/3	Ronjay Victory	PSAL	6/3	15/3	GI(S.Ash)
J/4	Banglar Doot	BSC	12/3	17/3	Rice (food)
J/5	Karabieverett	EBPL	14/3	19/3	GI
J/9	Atlantic Clipper(cont)	BDship	12/3	16/3	Cont
J/11	Euroliberity	EOSL	7/3	18/3	TSP
J/12	Kota Buana(cont)	CTS	13/3	16/3	Cont
J/13	Fong Shin (cont)	BDship	12/3	16/3	Cont
MPB/2	Barge : Mataram	SW	6/1	-	-
CCJ	Pearl One	CLA	19/2	17/3	Repair
GSJ	Banglar Robi	BSC	R/A	18/3	Repair
TSP	Safina-E-Rehmat	ASLL	27/2	19/3	Repair
RM/4	Hang Tone	H&H	6/3	16/3	Cement
RM/6	Banglar Shourabh	BSC	11/3	15/3	Repair
DD	Laurel Star	BML	14/2	15/3	Repair
DDJ/1	Enduren Sea	UMAL	25/1	20/3	Repair
DDJ/2	Banglar Mamata	BSC	26/2	18/3	Repair
RM/9	Banglar Swapna	BSC	R/A	20/3	Repair(Dead)

Tanker Due

Name of Vessels	Local agent	Date of Arrival	Last Port Call	Cargo
Equator	ESLL	15/3	-	Crude Oil
Global Ceres	TSL	17/3	Sing	CPO
Gefion Timor	ECSL	18/3	Sing	HSD
Maritime Pride	TSL	20/3	-	CDSO

Vessels at outer Anchorage

Ready on

New Genlord(Cont)	BDship	15/3	Sing	Cont

Vessel Not Ready

Piya-1	Paragon	-	Jaka	Cement

Vessels awaiting instruction

Al Ishrat	KSL	-	Mong	-
Banglar Jyoti	BSC	-	-	-
Banglar Kiron	BSC	-	-	-
Al-Reza	KSL	-	Mong	-

Vessels not entering

Alyan	AlAmin	Sing		Cement
Red Deer	Otl	Sing		-
Onyx	Aqua	-		Salt
Vigorous Swam	Aqua	-		Urea
Harmony	TSLL	-		-
Ocean Voyager	AML	Sing		Cement

The following were the Sunday (15/3/92) Shipping position and performance at Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA SUPPLIED BY HRC GROUP, DHAKA.

Vessels due at outer Anchorage

Name of Vessels	Date of Arrival	Last Port call	Local agents	Loading Ports
Ronjay Choomi	15/3	-	PSAL	-
Tiger	15/3	-	Unistar	-
Silver Lake	15/3	-	Prog	-
Kyriakoula	15/3	Yego	Royal	-
I Yamburenko (Cont)26/2	17/3	Sing	CT	Sing
Allissa	17/3	-	H&H	-
Jiang Cheng	17/3	S.Hai	BDship	Chinese Port
Arktis Island	17/3	-	TSL	-
Chandidas	18/3	-	SSL	EC.USA.Cana
Ocean Earth	18/3	Sing	Sunshine	-
Mowlavi	18/3	Mong	SSL	Bandar Abbas
Grunwald	18/3	Pol	BSA	Harb.Poli
Waser Star(cont)14/3	18/3	-	BDship	Sing
Ever Cheer (Cont)22/2	19/3	Sing	BDship	Sing
Infinity(cont)10/3	19/3	Sing	RSL	Sing
		-	SSL	Dundee, UKC.
State of Orissa	20/3	Sing	BDship	Sing
NGS Ranger(cont)7/3	20/3	-	BDship	Sing
Samudra Samrat	20/3	-	SSL	Karachi
Banglar Gourab	21/3	Pena	BSC	-
Valleta -II	21/3	Bank	Karna	-
Summit Venture	22/3	Sing	BSL	-
Mandiri(cont)14/3	23/3	-	RSL	Sing
Fong Yun(cont)14/3	23/3	-	BDShip	Sing
Arunachal Pradesh	24/3	-	SSLFar	East Japa
Sam Houston	24/3	-	Karna	USA Ports
Ahlars Breeze(cont)11/3	25/3	Col	RSL	Col
Peter Starositin(cont)25/1	25/3	SingCt	Sing	
Apj Anand	25/3	-	Nishat	Sing
Lesozavodsk	26/3	-	Lutful	-
Asian Angel	26/3	Jaka	JF	-
Dimitry Poluyan	27/3	-	CT	Odessa
Andrian Goncharov (Cont) 14/3	27/3	-	CT	Sing

The above were the Sunday (15/3/92) shipping performance at Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

Note : Berthed = Vessels at Port Jetty. ETD= Expected Time of Departure. ETA=Expected Time of Arrival. NA=Not Available. ETB=Expected to Berth.

Price Index

March—15

Essentials

RICE	(Taka per kg)
Amari(fine)	15.00-16.00
Paijam	14.00-15.00
VEGETABLES	(Taka per kg)
Potato	6.00-7.00
Brinjal	3.00-6.00
Karolla	12.00-16.00
Laishak	4.00-6.00
Papya	4.00-5.00
Green Banana (Four Pieces)	4.00-5.00
OTHER FOODGRAIN	(Taka per kg)
Flour	14.50-15.00
Atta	12.00-12.50
FISH	(Taka per kg)
Rohi(big)	130.00-140.00
Katla(big)	90.00-100.00
Hilsha	75.00-80.00
Pangas	120.00-125.00
Shrimp(big)	110.00-125.00
Singi	100.00-120.00
Koi	120.00-140.00
MEAT	
Beef	55.00
Mutton	85.00
CHICKEN	
Large	74.00-76.00
Moderate	70.00-72.00
Small	66.00-68.00
TEA	
Dust (Plain)	70.00-80.00
EGG (4pcs)	
Hen	10.00
Duck	10.00
Firm	11.00
PULSES	(Taka per kg)
Mashur	28.00-30.00
Moogh	28.00-30.00
Chhola	23.00-24.00
Khesari	18.00-19.00
FRUITS	
	(one piece)
Green Coconut	5.00-6.00
Watermelon	26.00-50.00
Coconut (big)	8.00-10.00
	(4 Pieces)
Banana (Sagar)	10.00-12.00
Banana (Chapa)	4.00-5.00
	(Taka per kg)
Dates	40.00-45.00
OIL	(Taka Per kg)
Mustard	52.00-54.00
Soyabean	37.00-38.00
Coconut (Colombo)	90.00-95.00
Vegetable Ghee	48.00-50.00
SPICES	(Taka Per kg)
Onion	7.00-8.00
Garlic	14.00-16.00
Chillies	70.00-72.00
Turmeric(Round)	40.00-45.00
" (Long)	50.00-55.00
Green chillies	12.00-14.00
Ginger	12.00-16.00
Cinnamon(50gm)	3.00-3.50
Cardamom(10gm)	3.00-4.00
Jhira (50gms)	7.50-8.00

Hides & Skin

(Wet/Salted)

(Taka per100 pieces)

Cow			
Calf	15000.00	—	30,000.00
Light	59000.00	—	64000.00
Medium	65000.00	—	70,000.00
Heavy	72000.00	—	77000.00
Very heavy	78000.00	—	83000.00
Rejected	29000.00	—	34000.00
Goat			
Big & heavy	11000.00	—	12000.00
Light & Medium	8500.00	—	9500.00
Rejected	3500.00	—	5000.00
Sheep	8700.00	—	9000.00
Buffalo	55000.00	—	62000.00

Gold & Silver

Gold	(Taka for 11.66 grams)
Tejabi	NA
Guinea	6400.00
Silver	200.00

Source : Department of Agriculture Marketing

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on March 15, 1992

Star Economic Report

Losers still dominate

Sunday's trading at Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) was nothing contrary to the trend. Losers heavily dominated the floor. The gainers were miserably outnumbered by the losers by two to 12.

Both number of papers traded and value of transaction increased over previous day's performance. In the day's business 4,717 issues traded valuing Tk 466,355. The figures were 3180 stocks worth Tk 399,780 on Saturday.

Yet the DSE Composite Index showed a fall in the average prices of the shares. It shed 0.6845 points to register at 286.0051.

THE DAY'S TRADING AT A GLANCE

DSE All Share Price Index	286.0051
Market Capitalisation (Tk)	8,179,867,763
Turnover (in value Tk)	466,355
In volume	4,717

Company	FV/ML	Previous Day's Price Tk	Closing Price Tk	Change (Absolute) Tk	Change (% over previous price)
Gains (02)					
Phoenix Leather	100/5	100.00	105.00	+5.00	5.000
Bengal Food	100/5	112.00	113.00	+1.00	0.893
Losses (12)					
Islami Bank	1000/1	1550.00	1500.00	-50.00	3.226
UCBL	100/5	123.00	120.00	-3.00	2.439
Modern Dying	100/5	45.00	42.00	-3.00	6.666
Hawlader Pvc	100/10	90.00	88.00	-2.00	2.222
Eastern Cables	100/5	74.42	73.40	-1.02	1.370
Kohinoor Chemicals	100/5	73.18	72.33	-0.85	1.161
Bata Shoe	10/100	31.75	31.03	-0.72	2.267
Zeal Bangla Sugar	10/50	9.50	8.98	-0.52	5.473
National Tubes	100/10	100.00	99.70	-0.30	0.300
Rupan Oil	10/100	5.95	5.75	-0.20	3.361
Debentures:					
Quasem Silk	1500/1	1693.33	1600.00	93.33	5.511
Beximco	2333/1	2240.00	2239.93	0.07	0.003

Traded at previous quoted price (04)

Shares: City Bank, Ibnsina, Beximco

Debenture: Beximco Pharma

SHARES & DEBENTURES LISTED WITH DSE

Company	FV/ML	Tk
BANKS (10)		
AL Baraka Bank	1000/1	1090.00
A.B Bank	100/5	180.00
City Bank	100/5	265.00
I.F.I.C	100/5	183.00
Islami Bank	1000/1	1500.09
National Bank	100/5	103.00
Pubali Bank	100/5	102.00
Rupali Bank	100/10	90.00
U.C.B.L	100/5	120.00
Uttara Bank	100/5	148.00
INVESTMENT (08)		
I.C.B	100/5	90.00
1st ICB M.Fund	100/5	330.00
2nd ICB Fund	100/5	150.00
3rd ICB M. Fund	100/5	124.00
4th ICB M. Fund	100/10	122.00
5th ICB M. Fund	100/10	85.00
6th ICB M. Fund	100/10	57.00
ICB Unit Cert.		
Sales Price		116.00
Re-purchase		111.00
INSURANCE (04)		
BGIC	100/10	110.00
Green Delta	100/10	122.00
Peoples	100/10	2128.00
United	100/10	142.00
ENGINERING (19)		
Aftab Automobiles	100/5	182.00
Atlas Bangladesh	10/50	30.00
Aziz Pipes	100/5	233.00
Bangladesh Autocars	100/5	71.00
Bangladesh Lamps	105/5	225.00
B.Thai Alluminium	100/10	83.00
Bengal Carbide	100/5	220.00
Bengal Steel	10/50	18.00
Eastern Cables	100/5	73.40
Howlader PVC	100/10	88.00
Karim Pipe	100/5	126.00
Metalex Corp.	100/5	102.00
Monno Stafllers	10/5	200.00
Monno Jutex	100/5	24.00
National Tubes	100/10	99.70
Panther Steel	10/50	6.00
Quasem Drycells	10/50	7.05
Renwick Jajneswar	100/5	73.00
Singer Bangladesh	100/5	1050.00
FOOD & ALLIED (23)		
A.B Biscuit	100/5	180.00
Alpha Tobacco	10/50	48.00
Aman Sea Food	100/5	25.00
Apex Food	100/5	500.00
Aroma Tea	100/5	70.00
Bangas	100/5	145.00
B.D. Plantation	100/5	500.00
Bengal Food	100/5	113.00
B.L.T.C.	100/5	500.00
B.T.C.	10/50	41.00
Ctg. Vegetable	100/10	94.00
Dhaka Vegetable	100/5	113.00
E.L. Camellia	100/5	1250.00
Frogleg Export	10/50	3.00
Gemini Sea Food	100/15	100.00
Hill Plantation	100/5	350.00
Modern Industries	100/5	175.00
N.T.C	100/5	240.00
Rabeya Flour	10/100	NT
Rupan Oil	10/100	9.75
Tulip Dairy	100/10	8.98
Yousuf Flour	10/50	NT
Zeal Bangla Sugar	10/50	9.50
FUEL & POWER (03)		
Padma Oil Co.	10/50	40.00
Eastern Lubricant	10/50	14.00
Oxygen	10/50	41.00
JUTE (12)		
Ahad Jute	100/10	NT
Anowara Jute	10/50	NT
Delta Jute	10/50	8.50
Gawsia Jute	10/50	NT
Islam Jute	100/5	60.00
Jute Spinner	100/5	95.00
Mutual Jute	100/5	105.00
Northern Jute	10/50	NT
Shamser Jute	100/5	100.00
Spcialised Jute	10/50	NT
Shine Pukur Jute	100/5	100.00
Sonali Aansh	100/5	92.00
PHARMACEUTICALS & CHEMICALS (15)		
Ambee Pharma	10.50	11.75
Bangla Process	100/5	56.00
Beximco Pharma	100/5	198.00
Glaxo	10/50	125.00
I C I	10/50	10.00
Kohinoor Chemical	100/5	72.33
Petro Synthetic	10/50	17.17
Pfizer	100/5	110.00
Pharma Aids	100/5	150.00
Pharmaco	100/5	58.00
Progressive Plastic	110/5	40.00
Reckitt & Colman	10/50	190.00
Rahman Chemicals	100/10	39.87
Therapeutics	100/5	85.00
The Ibnsina	100/10	92.00
PAPER & PRINTING (06)		
Eagle Box	10/50	22.50
Monospool	100/5	90.00
Paper Converting	100/5	115.00
Paper Processing	100/10	60.00
Padma Printers	10/50	50.00
Sonali Paper	10/50	50.00
SERVICE (02)		
Bangladesh Hotel	10/50	12.00
Bd. Service	10/50	NT
TEXTILE (18)		
Alhaj Textile	10/50	NT
Arbee Textile	100/10	NT
Ashraf Textile	10/50	26.75
Chand Textile	10/50	NT
Chand Spining	10/50	NT
Desh Garments	100/10	58.00
Dulamia Cotton	100.10	74.00
Eagle Star	10/50	17.00
GMG Ind. Corp.	10/50	15.00
Modern Dying	100/5	42.00
Quasem Silk	10/100	4.50
Quasem Textile	10/50	6.00
Rahim Textile	100/5	90.00
Saiham Textile	100/10	76.00
S.T.M. (ORD)	100/5	50.00
Stylecraft	100/5	100.00
Swan Textile	100/5	48.00
Tallu Spinning	100/10	103.00
MISCELLANEOUS (15)		
Apex Tannery	100/5	187.00
Aramit	10/50	NT
Bata Shoe	10/100	31.03
Beximco	10/100	9.50
B.S.C	100/5	50.00
Chittagong Cement	100/5	207.00
G. Q. Ball Pen	10/50	50.00
High Speed	100/5	100.00
Himadri Ltd.	10/100	6.00
Milon Tannery	100/5	30.00
Monno Ceramic	100/5	145.00
Pheonix Leather	100/5	105.00
Savar Refractories	100/5	99.62
The Engineers	100/5	100.00
Usmania Glass	100/53	214.00
DEBENTURES (05)		
Apex Tannery (17% 1992)	1000/1	1000.00
Bengal Food (18.5% 1992)	600/1	600.00
Beximco	2333/1	2239.93
Beximco Pharma (17% 1997)	1428/1	1435.00
Quasem Silk (17% 1994)	1500/1	1600.00

Note : FV = Face Value ML= Market Lot NT= Not Traded, AL=Allotment Letter

Exchange Rates

The following are the Commercial Bank's BC selling and TT (C), OD transfer buying rates for some selected foreign currencies effective on March 16 and 17.

(Figures in Taka)

Currency	SELLING BC	BUYING TT(C)	BUYING OD Transfer
US dollar	38.9326	38.7087	38.4481
Poundsterling	66.4384	66.1049	65.6890
DM	23.3241	23.1761	23.0200
FF	6.8713	6.8281	6.7822
S Riyal	10.4067	10.3469	10.2772
D Guilders	20.7309	20.6007	20.4620
S Kroner	6.4351	6.3928	6.3498
Singapore Dollar	23.3563	23.2220	23.0656
UAE Dirham	10.6364	10.5753	10.5041
Kuwaiti Dinar	NA	NA	NA
Indian Rupee (AMU)	1.5026	1.4959	1.4884
Pak. Rupee (AMU)	1.5649	1.5576	1.5498

Authorised dealers will apply TT clean buying rate for purchase of remittances of Bangladeshis working abroad.

NOTE : AMU — Asian Monetary Union.