

Iraq urges UN Council to lift economic sanctions

GENEVA, Sept 2: Iraq's Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz on Wednesday called on the UN Security Council to lift its sweeping economic sanctions against Baghdad, saying they were causing widespread hardship to Iraqi civilians, reports Reuters.

Aziz, meeting with UN Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali in Geneva, said they had discussed UN Security Council resolutions covering weapons as well as the oil embargo.

The two men, in separate statements, described the 45-minute private talks as frank and constructive and each called for improved relations between isolated Iraq and the United Nations.

Aziz said he and Boutros-Ghali had agreed to meet again, but no date or place was given. Aziz said that Iraq's delegation to current talks in New York on long-term monitoring of Baghdad's weapons potential would do its best to make the talks successful.

"Iraq has fulfilled most of the essential points of its obligations according to UN Security Council resolutions, mainly resolution 687, Aziz told reporters.

Resolution 687 of April 1991 is the main Gulf War ceasefire resolution under which Baghdad is compelled to give up weapons of mass destruction and the means to produce them.

But the other side, the Security Council, has not made any essential steps towards easing or lifting economic sanctions Aziz said, adding this has led to widespread hardships in Iraq. Civilians are suffering. This is against international humanitarian law.

Boutros-Ghali, who is spending the week at the UN European headquarters, issued a brief statement via a spokeswoman: "The Secretary-General and Tariq Aziz had a frank and constructive conversation on the relations between the United Nations and Iraq and the importance of improving relations between the two."

The UN spokeswoman declined to give any details or confirm whether Boutros-Ghali

had proposed a partial Iraqi oil sale, subject to Security Council approval.

Baghdad has previously rejected the UN conditions for a partial oil sale as humiliating.

Aziz would only confirm the two Security Council resolutions on oil had been discussed, replying: "It is not in my hands. It is in the hands of the Security Council."

US Ambassador to the UN Madeleine Albright said in New York on Tuesday that Iraq was a long way away from abiding by the various Security Council resolutions.

There is very little inclination among the members of the Security Council to declare Iraq a good citizen, she said.

Tea prices continue to remain firm at auction

By Staff Correspondent

Continued good export demand led most tea prices to remain firm at this week's auction sale held in Chittagong on Tuesday last.

According to a Unity Brokers market report, all broken teas continued to sell at firm rates with strong export demand from Poland and Russia.

However, prices of fannings eased as buyers for Pakistan held lower limits. The local traders absorbed the bulk of the dust grades.

Total withdrawals at the auction sale stood at 14 per cent of the offerings as against last week's 20 per cent.

In the leaf category, a total of 19,751 packages were offered at the sale. Out of which the export buyers accounted for 68 per cent of the sale while the internal traders purchased 17 per cent and the remaining 15 per cent was withdrawn.

In the dust category 3,359 packages were offered at the sale, of which, the local traders purchased 56 per cent while the export buyers brought 32 per cent and the rest 12 per cent of the offerings was withdrawn.

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

CTC: All broken teas were fully firm to nominally dearer with strong export demand. Selective lines sold between Tk 52.20 - Tk 53.20 per kg.

Grainy popular fannings were firm. All others eased by about a taka with the lower sorts declining by the 2 per kg or more. Secondaries eased further. Few best lines sold between Tk 52.20 - Tk 53.80 per kg.

Green Tea: 270 packages were on offer. FYH's sold between Tk 55.70 - Tk 56.00 while the YH's realised between Tk 53.00 - Tk 55.70 per kg.

Dust: Powdery descriptions were often dearer. Others eased by about a taka and often more.

The next tea auction sale (No.19) will be held on September 07 and total offerings will comprise about 20,500 packages of leaf and another 3,500 packages of dust, the market report said.

Shipping Intelligence

CHITTAGONG PORT

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 2.9.93

Berth No.	Name of Vessels	Cargo	L Port	Local Agent	Date of Leaving
J/2	Banglar Sampad	Repair	BSC	R/A	7/9
J/3	Banglar Kiron	Repair	BSC	R/A	7/9
J/4	Samudra Samrat	Salt	Kawd	SSL	25/8
J/5	Tanary Star	Cement	Sting	PSAL	R/A
J/6	Sea Nymph	Cement	Sting	USTC	2/8
J/7	Bintang Harapan	GI	Viza	Prog	31/8
J/8	Chrysanthi	Urea	Sting	RRSA	19/8
J/9	Mukachevo	Urea	Mong	RRSA	15/8
J/10	Ingenuty	Cont	Col	BTSA	1/9
J/11	Banglar Doot	Repair	Mong	BSC	28/8
J/12	Banglar Urmi	GI	Mald	BSC	28/8
J/13	Aspasia-L	GI	Suez	Lutful	30/8
MPB/1	Banglar Kallol	Cont	Mong	BSC	1/9
MPB/2	Imke Wehr	Cont	Sting	ULA	1/9
CCJ	Banglar Baani	C Clink	Vish	BSC	8/8
GSJ	Dolores	R Phos	Anaba	TSLL	29/8
TSP	Annoula	C Oil	BSC	R/A	2/9
DOJ	Banglar Jyoti	C Oil	BSC	R/A	5/9
DD	Marine Three	Repair	BSC	R/A	7/9
DDJ/2	Banglar Asha	Repair	BSC	R/A	7/9
CUFJ	Mandalay	Urea	Yang	MTA	25/8

VESSELS DUE AT OUTE R ANCHORAGE

Name of Vessels	Date of Arrival	Last Port	Local Agent	Cargo	Loading Port
Fong Shin	2.9.93	Sing	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Han Cheong	2.9.93	Sing	ACKA	Cement	Sing
Yong Ning	2.9.93	Sing	Prog	GI	Sing
Ji Lin	2.9.93	Sing	Prog	GI	Sing
State of Nagaland	2.9.93	Mad	SSL	GI	Jappa Chin
Optima	2.9.93	Sing	RSL	Cont	Sing
Green Island	2.9.93	Sing	Karna	GI	Sing
Banglar Moni	2.9.93	Sing	BSC	Cont	Sing
Kumroev	2.9.93	Sing	Cross	-	Sing
Sea Rhapsody	2.9.93	Sing	USTC	Cement	Sing
Continent-1	2.9.93	Kara	CLA	GI	Sing
Al Swamur	2.9.93	Rang	ASLL	GI/GL	Sing Bang
Rafiah	2.9.93	Sing	Niko	Dynamic M Seeds	Sing
Meng Kiat	2.9.93	Hold	AML	Cont	Sing
NGS Express	2.9.93	Mong	BDShip	Cont	USA FE
Meng Lee	2.9.93	Cal	AML	Cont	Sing
Banarera	2.9.93	Cal	UMAL	Cont	Sing
Anton Makarenko	2.9.93	Sing	USTC	Cement	Sing
Fong Yun	2.9.93	Sing	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Krud Jaspersen	2.9.93	Sing	CT	Cont	Sing
Alpha Nova	2.9.93	Sing	USTC	Cement	Sing
Rana	2.9.93	Sing	Cross	Salt	Sing
Lanka Mahapala	2.9.93	Sing	Baridhi	Cont	Col
Eponyma	2.9.93	Sing	CTS	Cont	Sing
NGS Ranger	2.9.93	Sing	BDShip	Cont	Sing
Al Salma	2.9.93	Sing	ASLL	GI/GL	Sing
Amrita Jaya	2.9.93	Sing	BBA	GI	Sing
Akadani Bulk	2.9.93	Sing	RRSA	R Sulfer	Sing

TANKER DUE

Ashkhabad	3.9.93	Seacom	CDSO	(RM/3)
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VESSELS AT KUTUBDIA

Name of Vessels	Cargo	Last Port	Local Agent	Date of Arrival
Leontas	C Oil	Jabe	BSL	27/8
Banglar Shourabh	C Oil	Jabe	BSC	R/A

VESSELS READY

Name of Vessels	Cargo	Last Port	Local Agent	Date of Arrival
Yannis-II	GI/GL	Butt	Sunbeam	01/9
Armas	Salt	Kand	BML	01/9
I Yamburenko	Cont	Sing	CT	02/9
Banglar Robi	Repair	Sing	BSC	R/A (29/8)

VESSELS AWAITING INSTRUCTION

Tony Best	Cement	Mong	ACKA	27/8
Boris Lavrenov	Cement	Mong	USTC	R/A (31/8)

VESSELS NOT ENTERING

Name of Vessels	Cargo	Last Port	Local Agent	Date of Arrival
Promtheas	Scrapping	Sing	ARL	05/8
Wellington Star	Scrapping	Sing	UMAL	18/8
Loyal Bird	Cement	Sing	Litmond	20/8
Mesado	Scrapping	Sing	AML	R/A (29/8)
Nacella	Scrapping	Sing	ARL	31/8

The above were the Thursday's shipping position and performance of vessels of Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

Exchange Rates

The following are the Sonali Bank's dealing rates (Bangladesh taka for one unit of foreign currency) to public for some selected foreign currencies effective as on Sept 2 & 3. (Figures in Taka)

Currency	Selling B.C.	T.T. (C)	Buying O.D. Transfers
US Dollar	40.0300	39.7150	39.4675
Pound sterling	60.4135	59.0806	58.7506
DM	24.2613	23.8237	23.6752
FF	6.9118	6.7857	6.7434
Indian Rupee (AMU)	1.2733	1.2676	1.2613
Pak Rupee (AMU)	1.3352	1.3292	1.3226

Indicative Rates	T.T. &	O.D.
S Riyal	10.6640	10.5227
D Guilders	21.4654	21.1735
S. Kroner	4.8878	4.8199
Singapore Dollar	24.9159	24.5750
UAE Dirham	10.8920	10.7453
Kuwait Dinar	132.9897	130.8170

Note: AMU—Asian Monetary Union.

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on September 2, 1993

Week closes on dark note

Week's trading on the floor of Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) closed on a dark note on Thursday.

Both the turnovers continued to fall. Volume declined to 3351 issues from 5734 showing a loss of 41.559 per cent while value lost by 27.725 per cent decreasing to Taka 426362.50 from Taka 589918.00.

The DSE All Share Price Index dropped further from 408.9126 to 408.4163, a fall of 0.496 point.

The number of stock transacted also declined to 32 from Wednesday's 37 and losers continued domination on the floor.

Of the stocks, 14 lost, nine gained while nine others traded at previous rates.

DAY'S TRADING AT A GLANCE

DSE Share Price Index	408.4163
Market Capitalisation (Tk)	15936905963.96
Turnover in Volume	3351
Turnover in Value (Tk)	426362.50

Company's Name	Previous price Tk	Closing price Tk	Change (absolute) Tk	Change (% over price)	Number of shares sold
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Gains (09) Shares

BCIL	334.00	350.00	16.00	4.790	10
National Oxygen	64.00	66.00	2.00	3.125	10
Peoples Insurance	285.00	291.00	6.00	2.105	10
Apex Footwear	170.72	173.00	2.28	1.335	1000
United Insurance	188.60	191.00	2.40	1.272	50
Beximco Pharma	435.00	440.44	5.44	1.250	27
5th ICB M Fund	86.00	86.50	0.50	0.581	10
Howlader PVC	100.00	100.50	0.50	0.500	10
Apex Tannery	337.89	338.62	0.73	0.216	65

Losses (14) Shares

Shaham Textile	75.29	70.00	5.29	7.029	10
GQ Ball Pen	80.00	77.00	3.00	3.750	100
IDLC	215.00	208.00	7.00	3.255	60
Dhaka Vegetables	64.00	62.00	2.00	3.125	10
Beximco Infusion	221.00	215.00	6.00	2.714	90
Talhu Spinning	92.64	90.73	1.91	2.061	110
Ambee Pharma	11.53	11.40	0.13	1.127	50
Eastern Cables	80.85	80.02	0.83	1.026	260
Bata shoe	41.10	40.80	0.30	0.729	400
BOIC	178.00	177.00	1.00	0.561	20
Kohinoor Chemical	63.00	62.75	0.25	0.396	100
Momno Ceramic	283.00	282.00	1.00	0.353	15
Islami Bank	1440.00	1438.00	2.00	0.138	02
BD Oxygen	73.60	73.50	0.10	0.135	187

Traded at previous rates (09) Shares

Shares: Green Delta (110), Aftab Automobiles (10), Atlas Bangladesh (50), Aziz Pipe (80), B Lamps (15), 6th ICB M Fund (70), Padma Textile (220), Beximco (200), Jute Spinners (50).

DSE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Company	FV/ML (Taka)	Closing Rate (Taka)	Shamser Jute	Specialised Jute	Shine Pakur Jute	Sonali Aarsh
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BANKS (12)						
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Al Baraka Bank	1000/1	810.00	100/5	100.00	NT	
A.B. Bank	100/5	200.00	100/10	112.00	NT	
City Bank	100/5	320.00	100/50	30.00	NT	
Eastern Bank	100/20	110.00	100/50	NT	NT	
IDLC Ltd	100/20	208.00	100/50	NT	NT	
LFIC	100/5	160.00	100/10	50.00	NT	
Islami Bank	1000/1	1438.00	100/10	74.00	NT	
National Bank	100/5	86.50	100/50	13.60	NT	
Pabna Bank	100/5	100.00	100/50	10.00	NT	
Rupali Bank	100/10	69.00	100/50	28.00	NT	
U.C.B.L.	100/5	64.88	100/20	165.00	NT	
Uttara Bank	100/5	90.00	100/50	2.60	NT	

INVESTMENT (06)						
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LCB	100/5	100.00	100/10	70.00	NT	
1st ICB M. Fund	100/5	350.00	100/5	20.00	NT	
2nd ICB Fund	100/5	161.00	100/5	130.00	NT	
3rd ICB M. Fund	100/5	141.00	100/5	10.00	NT	
4th ICB M. Fund	100/10	141.00	100/10	90.73	NT	
5th ICB M. Fund	100/10	86.50	100/10	160.00	NT	
6th ICB M. Fund	100/10	57.00				

PHARMACEUTICALS & CHEMICALS (19)

Ambee Pharma	100/50	11.40				
Bangla Process	100/5	60.00				
BCIL	100/10	350.00				
Beximco Infusion	100/00	215.00				
Beximco Pharma	100/5	440.44				
Glaxo	100/50	125.00				
A.C.I.	100/50	10.00				

ENGINEERING (19)

Alfab Automobiles	100/5	179.00	Kohinoor Chemical	100/5	62.75
Atlas Bangladesh	100/50	43.00	Petro Synthetic	10/50	10.00
Aziz Pipes	100/5	225.00	Pfizer	100/5	450.00
Bangladesh Autocars	100/5	52.00	Pharma Aids	100/5	170.00
Bangladesh Lamps	100/5	280.00	Pharmaco	50/105	50.00
B. Thai Aluminium	100/10	78.00	Pipetec Plastic	100/5	26.00
Bengal Carbide	100/5	273.00	Reckitt & Colman	10/50	95.00
Bengal Steel	100/50	20.00	Rahman Chemical	100/10	32.00
Eastern Cables	100/5	80.02	Therapeutics	100/5	72.00
Howlader PVC	100/10	100.50	The Bstma	100/10	101.00
Karim Pipe	100/5	75.00	Wata Chemical	100/20	122.00
Metalex Corp.	100/5	36.00			