

Increasing strength of dollar hits Asia-Pacific units over the week

HONG KONG, Nov 6: Increasing strength of the US dollar hit currencies across the Asia-Pacific region, and worries about Japan's financial sector also took their toll, reports AFP.

JAPANESE YEN: The yen plunged against the dollar during the week amid mounting concerns about Japan's financial sector, burdened with huge non-performing loans.

The Japanese currency traded at 103.65 yen to a dollar in late Thursday trading, compared with 101.40 yen in late trading last Friday. The financial markets in Japan were closed on Friday for a national holiday.

AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR: The Australian dollar ended the week stronger, closing at 75.83 US cents compared to 75.47 US cents last week.

On the Reserve Bank of Australia's Trade Weighted Index, a basket of major trading currencies, the Australian dollar was up 0.8 points finishing at 54.8 points from 54.0 points a week previously.

NEW ZEALAND DOLLAR: The New Zealand dollar closed Friday worth 65.44 US cents, down from the previous week's closing of 65.88 cents.

The Kiwi had a busy week

with New York investment house Goldman Sachs issuing a negative New Zealand dollar-asset recommendation.

HONG KONG DOLLAR: The Hong Kong dollar ended the week at 7.7325-7.733 to the US dollar, virtually unchanged from last week's 7.7325-7.7335 range.

INDONESIAN RUPIAH: The Indonesian rupiah closed on Friday at 2,287 rupiah to the dollar, or three rupiah weaker than at closing on Friday the previous week.

SINGAPORE DOLLAR: The Singapore dollar closed the week slightly higher against the US dollar at 1.4140, compared to 1.4150 the previous week.

SOUTH KOREAN WON: The South Korean won weakened against the greenback, trading at 769.20 to the US dollar on Saturday as compared to 766.20 last week.

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PHILIPPINE PESO: The Philippine peso depreciated to 26.042 pesos to the dollar on Thursday, compared with 25.998 pesos at close the previous week.

MALAYSIAN RINGGIT: The ringgit slipped 138 points to close at 2.5463 this week from 2.5325 a week earlier despite intervention to prop up the Malaysian currency by the central bank.

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SM Akram, President of Uttara Club Ltd. gives a cheque for Tk 25,000 to Sanaul Huq, chief executive of Consulting Options Ltd. as the first prize in the competition for a master plan and design of the club's own building at a function on Saturday.

Chittagong Stock Exchange

At the close of trading on November 6, '95

Transactions increase

Star Report
Transactions on the floor of Chittagong Stock Exchange increased on Monday.

Total turnover in value increased by 79 per cent from Tk 2.77 lakh to Tk 4.96 lakh and volume rose by 30 per cent from 2080 to 2700.

The index gained 0.38 points to 428.36 from 427.98, and market capital reached Tk 2118.64 cr from Tk 2116.79 cr.

Beximco was the leading gainer of the day with an increase of Tk 3.83 per share while Prime Textile suffered the maximum loss with a decline of Tk 18.75 per share.

Beximco Denims was the volume leader of the day with its 650 shares trading followed by Rupali Insurance and Janata Insurance both having 500 shares traded.

CSE at a glance

CSE All Securities Price Index	428.36
Day's Change in Index	0.0888%
Total Turnover (Value) Tk	4.96 lakh
Total Turnover (Volume)	2700
Day's Contract Numbers	29
Total Issues Traded	12
Day's Issues Gained	9
Day's Issues Declined	3
Day's Issues Unchanged	0
Total Closing Market Capital Tk	2118.6449 cr
Total No of Companies	42
Total No of Mutual Funds	7

Day's trading performance

Company's name	Closing rate (ave)	Previous rate (ave)	Difference	No of Securities traded
Rupali	253.00	250.07	2.93 (G)	500
Peoples	620.00	620.00	0.00	0
Green Delta	380.00	380.00	0.00	0
Reliance	375.00	375.00	0.00	0
Janata	219.50	219.66	0.16 (L)	500
Central	167.00	160.58	6.42 (G)	60
GMG Industries	35.50	35.50	0.00	0
Prime Textile	306.00	324.75	18.75 (L)	100
Apex Weaving	168.50	171.25	2.75 (L)	50
Apex Spinning	354.00	354.00	0.00	0
M H Garments	119.00	119.00	0.00	0
Dulamia Cotton	126.00	126.00	0.00	0
Beximco Textile	136.50	136.50	0.00	0
Beximco Synthetics	190.00	190.00	0.00	0
Beximco Denims	150.00	146.83	1.17 (G)	650
Beximco Knitting	150.00	150.00	0.00	0
Padma Textile	390.00	390.00	0.00	0
TBL	125.00	125.00	0.00	0
Square Pharma	868.00	868.00	0.00	0
ACI Ltd	133.25	133.25	0.00	0
Beximco Infusion	495.00	495.00	0.00	0
Beximco Pharma	92.90	91.29	1.61 (G)	250
Reckitt & Colman	190.00	190.00	0.00	0
Apex Food	3565.00	3565.00	0.00	0
Bengal Biscuit	159.75	159.75	0.00	0
Beximco Fisheries	172.17	171.25	0.92 (G)	60
Confidence Cement	341.43	341.00	0.43 (G)	140
Cig Cement	785.88	785.88	0.00	0
Aziz Pipe	790.00	790.00	0.00	0
Quasem Drycells	29.50	29.50	0.00	0
Apex Tannery	940.00	940.00	0.00	0
Apex Footwear	598.00	598.00	0.00	0
Shine Pukur	88.91	88.91	0.00	0
National Oxygen	123.00	121.50	1.50 (G)	20
Padma Oil	187.00	187.00	0.00	0
ICB	130.00	130.00	0.00	0
1st ICB MF	2000.00	2000.00	0.00	0
2nd ICB MF	615.00	615.00	0.00	0
3rd ICB MF	440.00	440.00	0.00	0
4th ICB MF	630.00	630.00	0.00	0
5th ICB MF	343.00	343.00	0.00	0
6th ICB MF	220.21	218.09	2.12 (G)	70
7th ICB MF	176.00	176.00	0.00	0
AB Bank	223.00	223.00	0.00	0
National Bank	135.00	135.00	0.00	0
Umsania Glass	821.00	821.00	0.00	0
Aramit	90.00	90.00	0.00	0
Beximco	72.33	68.50	3.83 (G)	300
BSC	101.00	101.00	0.00	0

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on November 6, '95

Index falls by 5 points

Star report
The Dhaka All Share Price Index experienced a fall of 503 points on Monday, ending at 884.44 from Sunday's 889.47.

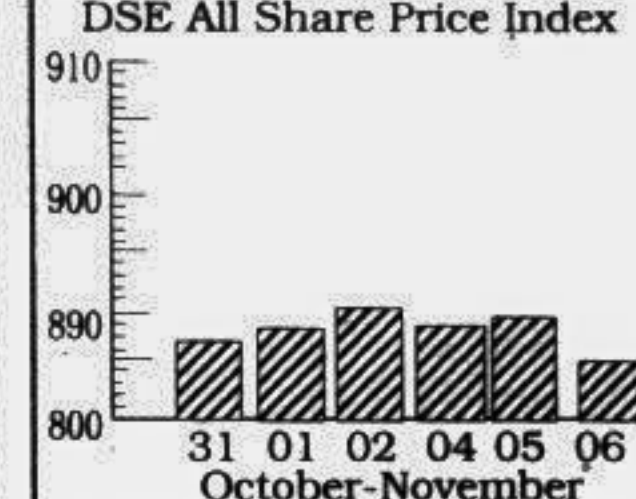
The transactions in volume increased by 135 per cent from 182706 to 428890 and value simultaneously rose by 84 per cent from Tk 3.63cr to Tk 6.70cr.

The total market capital lost Tk 32.19 cr. It decreased to Tk 5659.92cr from Tk 5692.11cr.

The leading gainer of the day was Bangladesh Lamps with a rise of Tk 193.48 per share while the losers were led by Monno Jute with a fall of Tk 100 per share.

The volume leaders of the day were: Beximco Pharma (321400), Bengal Carbide (17650) and Beximco Denims (10444).

The number of issues traded during the day totalled 98, of which 32 gained, 47 incurred losses while share prices of 19 issues remained unchanged.



Trading at a glance

DSE All price index	884.44
Market capital Tk	5659.93 cr
Transaction in volume	428890
Transaction in value Tk	6.70cr
Total issues traded	98
Issues gained	32
Issues incurred losses	47
Issues unchanged	19

Trading at a glance

Mithun Corporation	1.00 (G)	20
Mita Textiles	7.00 (L)	20
B Dyeing	2.00 (L)	920
Delta Millers	.67 (G)	700
Apex Weaving	.35 (L)	2150
Dandy Dyeing	1.67 (L)	337
Sonargaon Textiles	1.44 (L)	363
Beximco Textiles	.54 (G)	3837
BD Zipper	2.47 (G)	200
Beximco Denims	.90 (L)	10444
Aramit Ltd	2.82 (L)	750
M Hossain	6.75 (L)	3400
Ambee Pharma	.00	850
Beximco Pharma	3.77 (L)	321400
ACI Limited	.17 (G)	550
Pharmaco International	.00	40

Trading at a glance

IDLC	28.33 (L)	300
United Leasing	4.68 (L)	440
1st ICB Mutual Fund	.00	20
2nd ICB Mutual Fund	62.10 (G)	116
3rd ICB Mutual Fund	20.00 (G)	60
4th ICB Mutual Fund	6.67 (G)	30
5th ICB Mutual Fund	2.38 (G)	210
6th ICB Mutual Fund	1.69 (G)	1310
7th ICB Mutual Fund	.46 (G)	1705
Abah Automobiles	3.23 (G)	110
Aziz Pipes	5.79 (L)	400
Bengal Carbide	53.08 (L)	17550
Bangladesh Lamps	193.48 (G)	415
Eastern Cables	1.85 (G)	100
Karim Pipe Mills	1.00 (G)	100
Monno Jute	100.00 (L)	50
Singer Bangladesh	35.13 (L)	109
Atlas Bangladesh	10.50 (L)	1050
Bangladesh Autocars	77 (L)	110
Quasem Drycells	.38 (L)	1400
National Tubes	.00	30
Thai Aluminium	2.07 (G)	640
Amam Sea Food	100.00 (G)	20
Apex Food	3565 (L)	30
Bengal Food	3.10 (G)	367
Leaf Tobacco	.00	30
Bangladesh Tobacco	.00	50
Froglegs Export	2.00 (L)	50
Zeal Bangla	.00	250
Rupon Oil	100.00 (G)	300
Beximco Fisheries	2.24 (L)	280
Bengal Biscuits	151 (L)	1040
Meghna Shrimp	.62 (G)	680
BOC Bangladesh	1.08 (L)	5672
Northern Jute	.33 (L)	6020
Shine Pukur	.44 (L)	900
Ashraf Textile	.38 (G)	1500
Eagle Star	.38 (G)	1500
Apex Spinning	.27 (L)	3780
Beximco Knitting	4.82 (L)	1752
Dynamic Textile	.00	360

DSE Shares and Debentures

Company	FV/ML (Taka)	Closing Rate (Taka)	Price
Mithun Corpn	100/20	100/20	100.00
Modern Dyeing	100/5	99/00	99.00
Padma Textile	100/20	400/00	400.00
Prime Textile	100/10	290/00	290.00
Quasem Silk	100/100	7/16	7.16
Quasem Textile	10/50	14/92	14.92
Rahim Textile	100/5	100/00	100.00
Saham Textile	100/10	110/00	110.00
S T M (ORD)	100/5	18/00	18.00
Sonargaon Textile	100/10	35/00	35.00
Swan Textile	100/5	35/00	35.00
Tallu Spinning	100/10	140/00	140.00
Tamujind	100/10	190/00	190.00
Dandy Dyeing		96/08	96.08
Sonargaon Textiles		125/03	125.03
Beximco Textiles		138/07	138.07

PHARMACEUTICALS & CHEMICALS (23)

ACI	10/50	130/64
Ambee Pharma	10/50	20/00
Bangla Process	100/5	70/00
BCIL	100/10	348/98
Beximco Infusion	100/00	490/05
Beximco Pharma	100/10	85/16
B Synthetic	100/20	186/00
Libra Pharma	100/20	370/00
Glaxo	10/50	125/00
Ibn Sina	100/10	120/00
Kohinoor Chemical	100/5	161/78
N Polymer	100/10	638/00
Petro Synthetic	10/50	13/07
Orion Infusion	100/200	155/17
Pharmaco	100/5	184/00
Progressive Plastic	100/5	23/45
Reckitt & Colman	10/50	190/00
Rahman Chemicals	100/10	53/00
Renata Ltd	100/5	790/00
Square Pharma	100/20	830/00
Therapeutics	100/5	125/25
Wata Chemical	100/20	356/43

PAPER & PRINTING (7)

Maq Paper	10/5	30/00
Monogram Paper	100/5	45/00
Paper Converting	100/5	105/00
Paper Processing	100/10	34/50
Padma Printers	10/50	25/00
Sonali Paper	10/50	30/50

SERVICES (3)

Bangladesh Hotel	10/50	12/00
BD Service	10/50	NT
S Pukur Holdings	100/5	87/11

INSURANCE (16)

BKIC	100/10	346/39
Central Insurance	100/20	160/00
Eastern Insurance	100/20	224/00
Eastland Insurance	100/20	179/00
Delta Life Insurance		258/00
Green Delta	100/10	390/00
Janata Insurance	100/20	209/36
Karnaphuli Insur	100/20	156/00
Phonix Insurance	100/10	630/00
Phonix Insurance	100/20	271/17
Rupali Insurance	100/20	260/00
National Insurance	100/10	310/00
United Insurance		141/00
Reliance Insurance		161/47
Parala Insurance		385/00
Parala Insurance		142/00

MISCELLANEOUS (23)

Apex Footwear	100/20	578/84
Apex Tannery	100/5	75/81
B Denims	10/50	148/35
Bata Shoe	10/100	148/70
Beximco Ltd	100/10	69/79
BSC	100/5	101/00
Cig. Cream		783/86
Confidence Cement	100/20	336/14
Eastern Housing	100/20	146/34
G Q Ball Pen	10/50	62/40
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Himadri Ltd	10/50	6/00
Lexco Ltd		988/87
Pharmaco Denims	100/5	85/00
Monno Ceramic	100/5	1163/49
Meghna Cement		262/08
New Dhaka Refac	100/20	40/00
Phonix Refractories	100/5	60/00
The Engineers	100/5	100/00
BD Zipper Indus		181/57
Texipac Ltd	100/10	85/00
Umsania Glass	100/5	782/80

DEBENTURES (11)

BCIL (17%)	2000/1	1550/00
Beximco (17%)	133/1	1310/00
B Inflation (17%)	133/1	1310/00
B Pharma (17%)	570/1	455/00
B Synthetic (14%)	2500/2	2400/00
B Fisheries (14%)	3000/1	2750/00
B Knitting (14%)	3000/2	2200/00
E Housing (15%)	5000/1	4410/00
B Textiles		2330/00
B Denims (Deb)		134/30
BD Zipper (Deb)		2500/00

International Tender Notice for Supply of Petroleum Products During January-June 1996

Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) hereby invites offers from International Integrated Oil Companies with a proven record of reliability and expertise in the supply and transportation of petroleum products, for supply on C&F Chittagong basis of about 5.815 million Barrels plus minus 10 (ten) per cent at BPC's option of Superior Kerosene Oil (SKO), Motor Spirit (MS), Aviation Turbine Fuel (Jet A-1), and High Speed Diesel (HSD) during the period January to June 1996 in accordance with the delivery schedule and terms & conditions set out in the tender document.

2. Tender documents will be available on all working days during office hours from a) Commercial & Operations Division, BPC Head Office, HDFC Building (4th floor), 1/D Agrabad Commercial Area, Chittagong, b) Bangladesh Missions in Singapore, Kuwait, KSA, Abu Dhabi & Jakarta, and c) BPC Liaison Office, 40, Segun Bagicha, Dhaka, on payment of non-refundable amount of Tk 1500/- or US\$ 40/- No tender document will be sold on the tender opening date.

3. Offers will be received up to 1200 hours (BST) on December, 05, 1995

a) In a sealed envelope delivered at BPC Head Office HBFC Building (4th Floor), 1/D Agrabad Commercial Area, Chittagong, Bangladesh.

4. Unless exempted all offers must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in accordance with the provisions of tender documents and all offers must have validity up to 1800 hours (BST) on December 18, 1995.

5. Bidders shall furnish along with the offer a declaration that the bidder has carefully examined and understood the tender document and his Offer is subject to the terms & conditions contained in the tender document.

6. Tenders shall be opened at 1205 hours (BST) on December 05, 1995 at the BPC Head Office, Chittagong, Bangladesh in presence of bidders or their authorised agents who wish to be present.

7. No rights of any kind shall be created in favour of any person by virtue of having obtained the tender document, nor shall any right be created in favour of any person by virtue of submitting an offer. BPC reserves