

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on October 6, '96

Market capitalisation gains Tk 804 cr

Index crosses 2000-point mark

Star Report

The DSE All Share Price Index crossed 2000-point mark for the first time, reaching an all-time high of 2005.24 points on Sunday.

The index gained 114.88 points. The market capitalisation also set a record surging by Tk 803.80 crore. It increased to Tk 14029.78 crore from Tk 13225.98 crore.

The leading gainer of the day was Chittagong Cement with a rise of Tk 866.58 per share while Dhaka Fisheries led the losers with a fall of Tk 51.27 per share.

Apex Foods, Usmania Glass and Square Pharma were significant gainers of the day. Al Baraka Bank, Padma Textile, and Beximco Denims

were also major losers of the day.



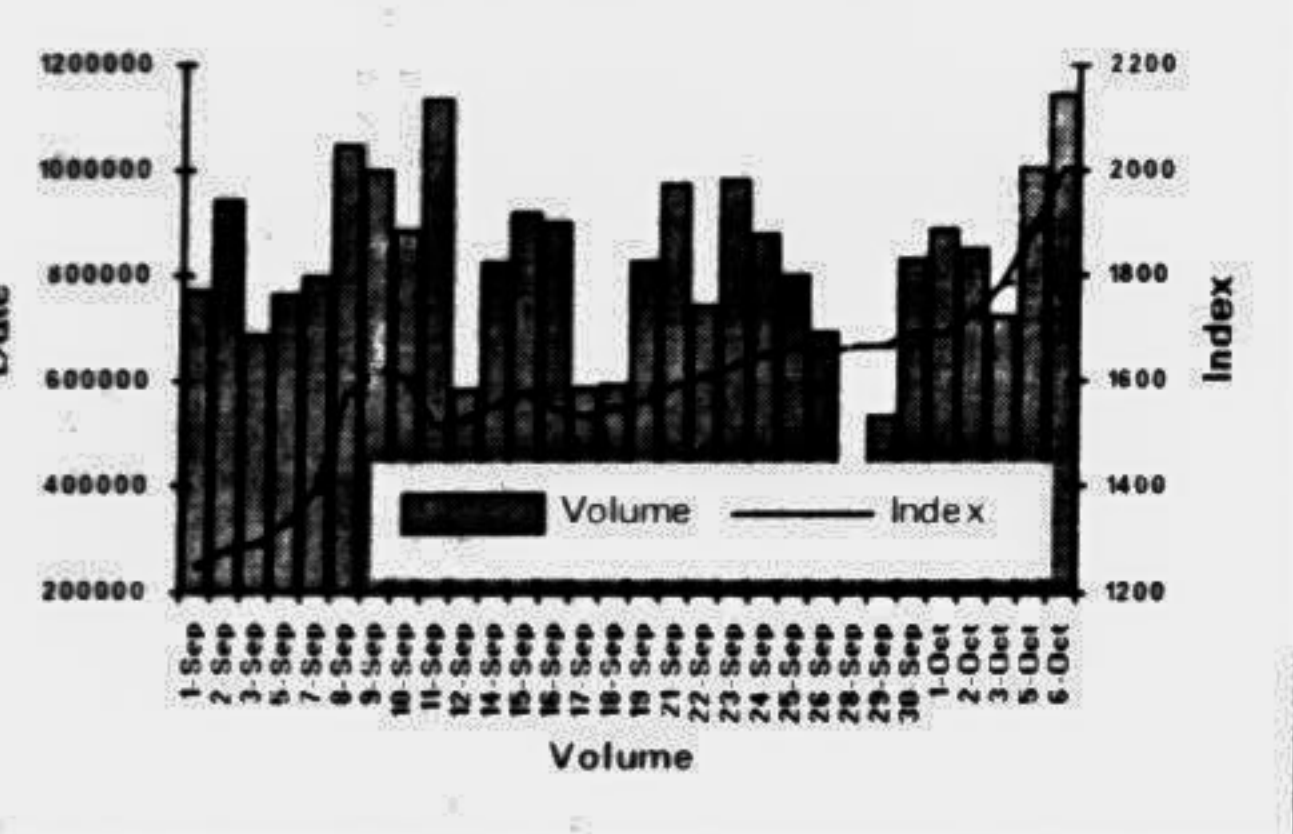
DSE at a glance

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes Total Number of Listed Securities (208), Total Number of Companies (190), Total Number of Mutual Funds (11), Total Number of Debentures (7), Total No of Shares & Debentures (395616163), Day's DSE All Share Price Index (2005.24), Day's Market Capital Tk (14029.78cr), Day's Transaction in Volume (1143565), Day's Transaction in Value Tk (29.89cr), Day's Total Issues Traded (112), Day's Issues Gained (81), Day's Issues Incurred Losses (27), Day's Issues Unchanged (4), and Day's Total No. of Hawlas (3676).

Coming AGMs

Table with 5 columns: Company, Book Closure, AGMEGM Date, Venue & Time, Dividend Proposed. Lists AGMs for ICB, Beximco (Deb), Central Ins, Beximco Infusion (Deb), Karmahul Ins, Karm Pipe, and AB Bank.

DSE All Share Price Index



Latest position & performance of DSE-listed issues

Large table listing various companies under categories: BANKS (13), INVESTMENT (8), ENGINEERING (20), FOOD & ALLIED (30), FUEL & POWER (4), JUTE (8), and Textiles (38). Each entry includes Company, FV/ML (Taka), Average Closing Rate (Taka), Change (+/-) (Taka), No. of Shares/Deb., Last AGM Date, and Total Div. %.

Large table continuing the listing of DSE-listed issues, including companies like Mithun Knitting, Mira Textile, B. Dyeing, Delta Millers, Apex Weaving, Dandy Dyeing, Sonargaon Texti, Beximco Textiles, BD Zipper Indus, B Denims, Prime Textile, MH Garments, Sajib Garment, Chic Tex Ltd, Sreepur Textile, Monno Fabrics, and Alitex Industries. Also includes sections for PHARMACEUTICALS & CHEMICALS (24), PAPER & PRINTING (7), SERVICES & REAL ESTATE (4), MISCELLANEOUS (22), and DEBENTURES (11).

PEREGRINE BANGLADESH INDEX

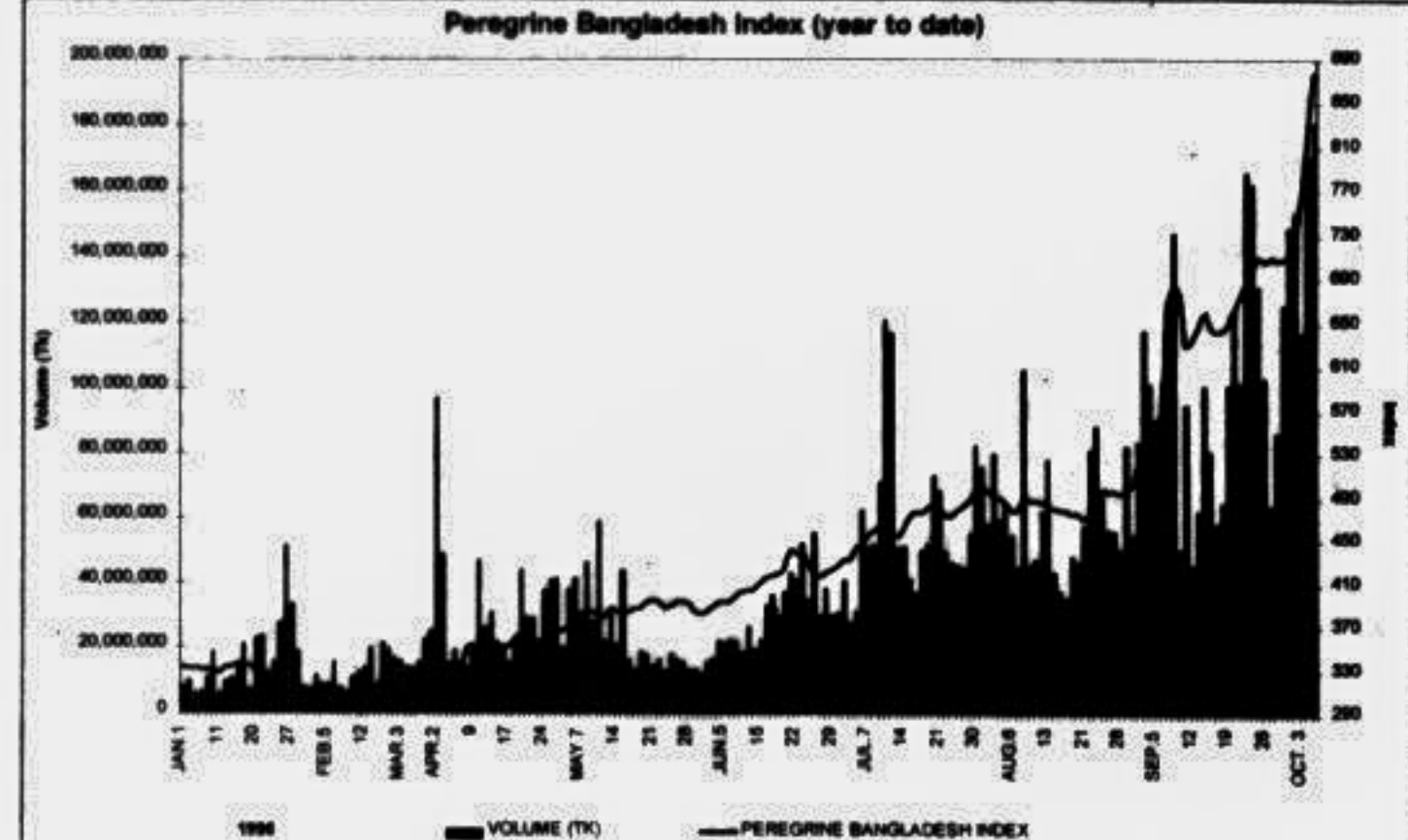


Table with 2 columns: Index Value and Market Cap (Tk). Shows Today's index (878.23), Yesterday's index (816.93), Point change (61.30), % change (7.50), 1 day (24.16), 1 week (104.47), and Market Cap (91,539,383,908).

Today's market comment

The PBI surged again gaining 7.5 per cent to reach another record 878.23 on strong retail demand. The pharmaceuticals led the way with Beximco Pharma and Square Pharma appreciating by 33.8 per cent and 16.3 per cent respectively. The cement stocks also performed well as Chittagong Cement (+5.7 pc) and Meghna Cement (+9.1 pc) posted healthy gains for the day. Padma Textiles topped the losers list dropping 6.5 per cent under retail selling pressure along with Apex Tannery which shed 4.4 per cent on foreign selling.

Peregrine Bangladesh Index

Table with 12 columns: Company, Average Price, % change 1 day, % change 1 week, % change from Jan '96, Year End, Net Profit (Tk m), P/E (X), Market Capitalization (Tk m), DPS* (Tk), and Yield (%). Lists various companies like Singer Bangladesh, Bangladesh Tobacco Co. (BTC), Chittagong Cement Clinker, Beximco Pharma, British Oxygen Company (Bangladesh), Shikur, Industrial Development Leasing Co. (IDLC), Bata Shoe, Square Pharma, Meghna Cement Mills, Monno Fabrics, United Leasing Co., Padma Textile Mill, Eastern Cables, Bangladesh Lamps, Monno Ceramics, Beximco Textiles, Apex Tannery, Prime Textiles, Reckitt & Colman, Apex Foods Ltd., Eastern Housing, Advanced Chemical Industries (ACI), Olympic Industries, and Beximco Synthetics.

* Adjusted for bonus and right issues. P/E: Price Earnings Ratio: The price of a share divided by earnings per share. (Earning per share equal to net profit divided by number of shares). Yield: Dividend Yield (DY) represents a stock's dividend per share divided by its market price per share (that is multiplied by 100).

Reconstruction of Bosnia accelerates

WASHINGTON, Oct 6: Eight months into the Bosnian reconstruction effort, about 880 million dollar worth of projects are under implementation, and the total could reach 1,400 million dollar by year's end, according to a status report prepared by the World Bank and the European Commission, reports USIS. Accomplishments include the opening of the Sarajevo airport to commercial traffic and the rehabilitation of three principal power plants, says the report. In August, the first train in four years departed from Sarajevo to the port of Ploce on rehabilitated rail lines. Repairs to more than 15,000 apartments and private houses are under way or have been completed. "We've got a good story to tell but we're really at the end of the beginning," World Bank official Christine Wallich told reporters September 30 upon release of the report. The report stresses that maintaining the momentum in Bosnia - particularly in the post-election season - will require additional pledges from the international community by the end of the year. It also notes that while the pace of Bosnian reconstruction has tripled since June, a number of donors have yet to turn their pledges into action. Donors who haven't implemented their pledges need to do so quickly, Wallich said, adding that projects approved in the near future could take advantage of the remaining months of the construction season. "There is a window of opportunity here," she said. Of the 1,890 million dollar pledged at the donors' conferences in December 1995 and April 1996, 680 million dollar is under implementation, which means that contracts have been tendered or signed or that work is under way, according to the report. Of that total, about 560 million dollar has been disbursed. "A lot of donors have not kept their promises," said Bosnian Prime Minister Hasan Muratovic, who is also a World Bank governor. While Muratovic declined to identify countries that have not made good on their pledges, he noted that among individual donor nations, the United States has achieved the highest level of implementation. According to the report, the United States pledged 281 million dollar for Bosnian reconstruction, has moved 167 million dollar worth of projects under implementation and of that amount has disbursed 97 million dollar. Muratovic also praised the World Bank for moving quickly on its promises. Of the Bank's 330 million dollar pledge, it has moved 217 million dollar under implementation and of that amount has disbursed 132 million dollar according to the report.

Shipping Intelligence

Table titled 'Chittagong Port' showing berth position and performance of vessels as on 6.10.96. Columns include Berth No, Name of vessels, Cargo, L-port call, Local agent, and Date of Leaving/arrival. Lists vessels like J/2 Ahmos, J/3 Fortune Star, J/4 Leonia, J/5 Asean Ruby-II, J/6 Syring Ace, J/7 Mare, J/9 Allissa, J/10 Great Universe, J/11 Al Muztaba, J/12 Meng Kit, J/13 Polar Bird, C/CT/1 Banglar Robi, C/CT/2 Consistence, C/CT/3 Samuda, TSP Hallvard, RM/3 Mercury-II, RM/5 Entalina, DD/J/1 Tanary Star, RM/8 Banglar Maya, CUPLJ, Kafo (U) Vishva Yash, and Kafo (A) Rafflu.

Table titled 'Vessels due at outer anchorage:' showing Name of vessels, Date of arrival, Last port call, Local agent, Cargo, and Loading port. Lists vessels like Fortune Carrier, Al Salma, Golden Sunlight, Si Ming Sha, Steinkirken (24) 25/9, Evandros-K, Pan Shin 25/9, QC Pintal 28/9, Sea Elegance 28/9, Ikan Seha, Eurasian Alliance (Roro/24) 25/9, Fu Xin Shan, Banglar Moni 21/9, Sinos Island, Fong Lee (Cont) 1/10, Lanka Mahapala 2/10, Padma 1/10, Nand Srihat, Kota Berjaya 2/10, Green Island, and Fong Yun 1/10.

Exchange Rates

Sonali Bank

Table showing exchange rates for various currencies against the US Dollar. Columns include Currency, Selling, and Buying rates. Lists USD/B.T.K., DM/B.T.K., FRF/B.T.K., CAD/B.T.K., SFR/B.T.K., and J.YEN/B.T.K.

A) T.T. (DOC) US Dollar spot buying Taka 42.2350. B) Usage export bill buying rates (B. Taka for one unit of US Dollar). C) US Dollar sight export bill 3 months forward purchase. Same as O.D sight export bill. Indicative rates (B. Taka for one unit of foreign currency).

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Janata Bank

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Vessels at Kutubdia:

Table showing vessel arrivals at Kutubdia. Columns include Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, and Date of arrival. Lists Setia Abadi, Coral Reef Explorer, Eastern Explorer, Akadian Bulk, Banglar Gourab, Musa Dzhalil, Yi Yang, Spyridula, Myohyang-2, and Petko R. Slavejick.

Vessels not ready:

Table showing vessels not ready for departure. Columns include Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, and Date of arrival. Lists Akadian Bulk, Banglar Gourab, Musa Dzhalil, Yi Yang, Spyridula, Myohyang-2, and Petko R. Slavejick.

Vessels awaiting instruction:

Table showing vessels awaiting instruction. Columns include Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, and Date of arrival. Lists Banglar Banni, Banglar Sampad, Banglar Jyoti, Banglar Asha, Banglar Shourabh, and Mang Su Bong.

Vessels not entering:

Table showing vessels not entering. Columns include Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, and Date of arrival. Lists Global Dream, Captain B Ataman, Golden Kalkavan, Murano, Caravos Spirit, and Eurostar.

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