

Euro falls to 19-month low against dollar

AEP, London

the market gained about 10 points. The market stabilised at 1000 bit and stayed on this level more or less for the next 15 minutes. The market started

declining trend that lasted the rest of the session.

Market capitalisation came down to Tk 99,521.30 crore from the previous day's

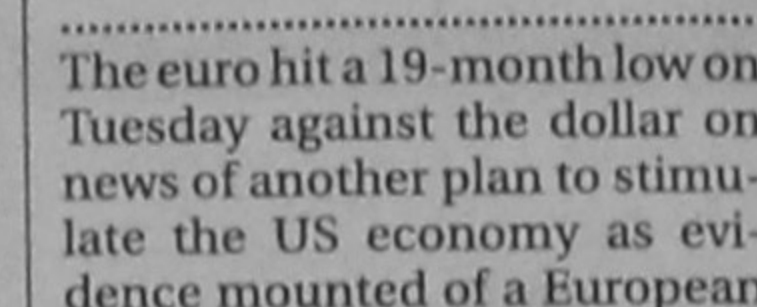
Desco topped the turnover list with 2,97,750 traded shares.

worth Tk 38.94 crore. The da
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Beximco, ACI, Heidelberg Cement, Summit Alliance Power, Square Pharma, Golden Square and Summit Power.

Chittagong stocks also declined yesterday. The Composite Selective Categories Index fell 103.86 points, or 1.81 percent, to 5632.74 points. The CSE All Share Price Index declined 134.15 points, or 1.53 percent, to 8624.73 points.

A total of 57,77,314 shares worth Tk 54.45 crore changed hands on the port city bourse. Of the 130 issues traded, 48 advanced, 98 declined and remained unchanged.



In London morning trading the European single currency sank as low as 1.3208 dollars -

It later stood at 1.3232 dollars from 1.3343 dollars late in New York on Monday.

US Federal Reserve chair
man Ben Bernanke boosted
market sentiment by throwin

"We have fretted at times that the markets have become progressively more reliant on

"But like any addict, the danger of this is that the announcements need to become bigger, more frequent."

and generally have a diminishing effect.

"Now that most economies have already announced the plans for rescuing their respec-

...tive banking systems, and have delivered interest rate cuts to buoy the real economy, the danger is that the market addicts will not get their fix.

He added: "Thus it was perhaps with some relief that U.S. markets greeted Fed chairman Bernanke's suggestion that another fiscal stimulus package might be warranted."

World stock markets show further signs of recovery Tuesday, with most Asian and European stocks rising on hopes of another US economic stimulus package and a thaw in frozen credit markets.

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Jashim Uddin Khandaker, general manager (customer care) of Holcim (Bangladesh) Ltd, hands over a prize to one of the retailers at the company's "Retailer Meet" programme in Dhaka recently.

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ISLAMIC BANK BANGLADESH LIMITED

Fariduddin Ahmad, managing director of Islami Bank Bangladesh Limited, receives a prize for the bank as the best Islamic financial institution in Bangladesh for 2008, awarded by Global Finance,

Washington recently. Joseph D Giarraputo, president and publisher of the US-based financial magazine, gives away the award.

Following is Tuesday's (October 21, 2008) forex statement by Standard Chartered Bank

Major currency exchange rates		Exchange rate of some currencies		
	BC Sell	TT Buy		
US dollar	69.25	68.25		
Euro	93.80	89.42		
Pound	120.65	115.60	Indian rupee	48.57 1.42
Australian dollar	49.63	46.03	Pak rupee	80.75 0.85
Japanese yen	0.70	0.67	Lankan rupee	108.05 0.64
Swiss franc	61.70	57.84	Tai bahit	34.34 2.00
Swedish kroner	9.82	8.81	Malaysian ringgit	3.52 19.51
Canadian dollar	59.01	56.63		
Hong Kong dollar	8.95	8.78	USD forward rate against BDT	
Singapore dollar	48.06	46.12	Buy	Sell
SAUDI dirham	19.00	18.44	1 M	68.40 69.95
Jaedi rial	18.56	18.02	2 M	68.44 69.58
Danish kroner	12.83	11.94	3 M	68.50 69.85
Kuwaiti dinar	253.89	248.67	6 M	68.96 70.74

*All currencies are quoted against BDT
*Rates may vary based on nature of transaction

Local Market FX
Local inter-bank FX market was active on Tuesday. The demand for the USD was stable with ample liquidity was a bit tight in the market. The USD remained on the upside against the BDT.

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Market Highlight

	Price			Turnover			Price			Turnover			Lam			EPS		
	Closing Chg (%) Per Day			Chg (%) Per Day			Chg (%) Per Day			Chg (%) Per Day			AGM			TCL		
DSE																		
89.75 -0.50	94.50	0960	93.75 0.00	93.75	80	26.08 0.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
19.50 -1.27	19.75	4260	60.00 20.00	50.00	20	30.06 -0.11	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1229.25 -286	1265.50	7551	1216.75 -274	1251.00	640	131.07 36.6	26.08	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
56.00 -54.99	59.25	400	72.25	Not Traded	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
11.40 0.00	11.40	650	---	Not Traded	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
42.00 -49.50	42.00	650	44.00	Not Traded	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
47.75 -49.50	52.50	650	56.25	Not Traded	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
30.25 -67.33	32.75	150	31.75	Not Traded	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
18.75 -13.92	19.00	2550	17.00 -8.11	---	400	22.05 -10.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3.70 5.71	---	---	---	Not Listed	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3.20 6.67	3.00	9000	30.70 14.98	26.70	36000	17.01 0.70	5.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
70 7.10 -2.74	7.30	5000	---	Not Listed	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
5.00 0.00	5.00	30000	5.00 -2.00	---	3000	23.06 -5.5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
7.40 2.78	7.60	65000	6.90 -2.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
85.00 -1.16	86.00	30	---	Not Listed	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2080 -0.64	282.60	4592	279.00 0.14	279.40	1534	26.08 0.3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
179.70 3.22	1748.00	1854	1790.00 -1.14	1733.80	2505	26.08 0.3	35.9	60.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
128.00 -0.50	128.00	---	---	Not Listed	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
28.20 12.80	25.00	19100	28.80 13.39	25.50	124000	23.07 0.23	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
74.95 -1.64	76.22	10548	74.50 -2.31	76.17	23666	23.08 0.43	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1314.00 8.91	1214.50	297750	1353.00 11.66	1208.50	21300	31.01 0.38	34.4	25.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
58.60 -3.94	58.80	59250	58.00 -4.60	57.75	9000	26.08 0.3	67.15	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
119.00 -0.40	117.00	9960	114.10 -1.74	147.90	43900	21.06 0.58	2.9	20.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
43.25 -1.01	140.40	51900	138.80 -1.20	140.10	26500	21.06 0.58	2.9	20.00	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
198.25 -3.09	510.00	49300	492.00 -3.67	510.75	4965													

Company	FV/ (Tk.Na.)	Price		Turnover		Price		Turnover		Last	EPS	ODI (%)
		Closing	%Ch/Prd	Share	%Ch/Prd	Closing	%Ch/Prd	Share	%Ch/Prd			
DSE												
BEXIMCO Ltd.*	10/100	207.30	-6.62	222.00	930148	204.30	-7.72	221.40	339196	360608	1.35	
Heduleberg Cement* ⁺	A100	1034.50	6.90	1220.25	123099	1387.50	5.71	1212.00	7280	350468	10.25	
Apex Adelihi Footwear*	A100	2029.50	1.26	2524.25	13082	2490.00	-2.73	2560.00	260	260508	15.00	
Confidex Cement Ltd.*	A100	430.50	2.92	425.00	1355	327.50	-3.77	325.00	160	150608	27.75	150
Mosha Cement Ltd.*	A100/50	430.50	3.73	422.75	14600	420.00	0.77	419.75	1500	150608	65.8	300
Lexco - Z	10/100	144.00	-5.42	152.25	130	153.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
BD Lugage - Z	10/100	170.00	9.68	155.00	160	160.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Standard Ceramic - A	10/100	160.00	1.11	155.00	160	160.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Envor Shoes - Z	10/100	25.00	2.55	26.00	50	26.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Nilyet Cement - Z	10/100	125.00	1.21	123.50	500	125.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Rose Heaven Ball Pen - Z	21/500	4.00	2.08	4.00	20500	5.00	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Fuwang Ceramic - B	10/100	155.25	6.52	145.75	35300	155.25	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Aramit Cement - B	10/100	138.50	4.55	125.00	50	138.50	Not	Not	Not	210808	1.21	
Shinobang Industries - B	10/100	60.75	1.67	59.75	4950	61.75	7.79	61.00	50	261207	-11	-
Legacy Footwear - Z	10/500	24.00	16.83	20.00	36600	23.90	19.91	24.00	4000	300708	1.93	500
Miracle Industries - A	10/500	41.00	-3.74	42.00	9000	41.00	-3.74	42.00	2000	220808	0.51	300
Bangladesh Online* ⁺	A100	41.00	-3.74	42.00	9000	41.00	-3.74	42.00	2000	220808	0.51	300
Molli Cement - Z	10/500	4.90	2.08	4.90	49744	79.30	-5.93	84.30	56545	260608	1.66	-
ISN Ltd. - Z	10/500	35.80	-3.50	37.10	591475	36.90	-1.07	37.20	24000	020608	1.24	150
Padma Cement - Z	10/500	4.50	4.00	4.50	45500	4.40	4.00	4.40	400	101207	0.67	-
BDCom Online - A	10/500	42.00	-4.20	44.50	4500	41.00	-3.74	42.00	2000	220808	0.51	300
In Tech Online - A	10/500	76.70	-0.65	77.20	665575	77.20	-3.83	77.00	113500	290608	0.81	-
Alafage Surma Cement* ⁺	21/500	55.85	2.66	54.25	83900	55.75	3.00	54.10	21500	210608	1.47	-
Daifudi Computers - A	10/100	31.00	-4.37	32.80	653300	31.00	-4.37	32.80	85550	210608	1.47	-
INSURANCE												
BIGC - A	100/10	647.50	0.00	647.50	19311	647.50	1.10	636.75	2650	290608	22.8	-
Capital Delta Unit - A	100/10	2022.00	2.92	2082.75	1043	2075.00	Not	Not	Not	260608	57.8	150
United Insurance* ⁺	A100	1534.00	12.50	1364.00	1000	—	Not	Not	Not	260608	11.8	-
Peoples Insurance* ⁺	A100	7										

Indicators	DSE	CSE
Total Turnover (Taka)	4,052,625,627.33	544,563,809.85
Total Turnover (Volume)	26,994,203	5,777,314
Number of Contract	79,056	13,959
Total Traded Issues	243	134
No. of Issue Gdn (Avg. Price Basis)	100	38
No. of Issue Loss (Avg. Price Basis)	142	94
No. of Unchanged Issue (Avg. P. Basis)	1	2
Market Cap. (Taka)	786,243,111.82	761,743,027.44
Market Cap. (US\$)	11,078,480,035	11,120,336,167
Total No. of Listed Securities	258	226
Total No. of Listed Companies	267	211
Total No. of Listed Mutual Fund	5	15
Total No. of Listed Debitenture	6	2
Total No. of Share & Debt	2,505,739,926	414,612,267
Total Issued Capital	117,598,210.20	111,822,696.30
Price Earning Ratio	20.28	20.31
Earning Per Share (%)	35.06	34.76

Turnover Leaders

Company	Turnover			
	(Vol.)	(M.Tk.)	(T) %	BigLot
DESCO Ltd.*-A	297,750	389.43	9.61	3,150
Bescoms Pharma*-A	1,774,313	287.92	7.10	5,000
Tias Gas TDCIL*-A	490,900	247.00	6.09	4,000
BEXIMCO Ltd.*-A	930,148	201.23	4.97	7,500
ACI Limited*-A	271,520	161.33	3.98	2,300
Haseebger Cement*-A	122,038	154.61	3.81	1,875
Summit Alliance Port Ltd.*-N	114,110	112.60	2.78	5,000
Square Pharma*-A	36,447	112.04	2.76	500
IFC Bank*-A	96,975	110.06	2.72	55,000
Golden Son*-N	1,880,500	107.92	2.66	19,500
Bescoms Pharma*-A	468,516	74.96	13.77	
BEXIMCO Ltd.*-A	339,196	72.66	13.34	
DESCO Ltd.*-A	21,300	28.02	5.15	
Tias Gas TDCIL*-A	49,650	24.69	4.53	
AIMS Fiat*-A	1,470,000	21.61	3.97	
Summit Power Ltd.*-A	23,666	17.68	3.29	
BEXIMCO Ltd.*-A	814,400	17.48	3.21	
Square Pharma*-A	5,637	17.30	3.18	
AB Bank*-A	17,475	14.71	2.70	

Capital Gainers

Company	Price Chn. (%)		Price	Turnover
	Close	Avg.		
Legacy Footwear*-Z	16.83	12.11	24.30	8,575
Wi-Fung Food*-B	14.93	13.27	30.80	61,816
Bangladesh Welding*-Z	12.80	9.41	28.20	16,000
United Insurance*-A	12.50	18.07	1,534.50	4,631
Golden Son*-N	10.24	6.49	30.20	107,922
Bengal Beacuts*-Z	20.00	20.00	80.03	0.001
Legacy Footwear*-Z	19.50	19.61	21.90	5,562
Phoenix Insurance*-A	18.00	20.01	472.03	0.006
Wi-Fung Food*-B	14.93	13.54	36.70	10,649
Bangladesh Welding*-Z	13.39	8.91	28.80	3,424.9

Capital Losers

Company	Price Chn. (%)		Price	Turnover
	Close	Avg.		
Midas Financing*-A	-13.49	-12.33	453.75	4,859
Jute Spinners*-A	-8.88	-9.66	730.00	0.007
Charm Silk Mills*-Z	-6.09	-3.09	4.00	0.0040
B.T.C.*-Z	-4.40	-4.40	114.50	0.0057
M.Hossain garments*-Z	-17.64	-17.19	11.75	0.0095
Midas Financing*-A	-16.86	-17.49	452.75	4.0075
Sinobridge Industries*-B	-12.41	-8.47	47.30	0.1044
Mercantile Bank*-A	-11.00	-9.67	275.00	0.1098
Gachhihata Aqua*-Z	-8.11	-7.66	17.00	0.0068
BEXIMCO Ltd.*-A	-7.72	-1.66	204.30	72.855

Source: is calculated from closing prices. GDPBS= Cash Dividend Per Share in Tk.
 *- "CDL". Listed, Category is mentioned beside company name.