

Asian stocks mixed

AFP, Hong Kong
News of another massive rescue package in the United States for the battered banking sector received a mixed reception on Asian markets, with investors remaining cautious as the world economy slows.

could rally on Thursday after the central bank announced a 1.08 percentage point cut in interest rates to boost growth as well as announcing a reduction in the amount of money banks must hold in reserve. Taipei was up 0.12 percent.

rating. The Japanese market was also hit by a stronger yen, with the dollar easing to 94.97 yen in Tokyo afternoon trade, down from 95.24 in New York late Tuesday. The euro dropped to 123.66 yen from 124.45.



Mutual Trust Bank Ltd Managing Director Kazi Md Shafiqur Rahman inaugurates the bank's 32nd branch at Rangpur Sadar recently. Other senior officials were also present.

The Dow Jones was only 0.44 percent higher overnight. "The massive injection plan by the Fed is something that should have been done by the government in the first place," said Seichi Suzuki, a strategist at Tokai Tokyo Securities.

Despite the Fed announcement, traders remained nervous and were not helped by Fitch Ratings downgrading Toyota Motor Corp. two notches from AAA to AA, warning "even the strongest player" no longer deserved its top rating.

In the US the Commerce Department reported the economy shrank at a 0.5 percent pace in the third quarter, in a revised estimate for gross domestic product that many analysts say is the start of a steep downturn.

Oil slightly higher
AFP, Singapore
World oil traded only slightly higher in Asia on Wednesday despite pledges of billions of dollars in fresh cash by US and European officials trying to battle a global credit crunch, dealers said.

New York's main futures contract, light sweet crude for January delivery, rose 42 cents to 51.19 dollars a barrel from a drop of 3.73 dollars Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, where the contract closed at 50.77 dollars.



Md Tazul Islam, chairman of Jamuna Bank, hands over awards to the managers who achieved targets set in the bank's Deposit Mobilisation Campaign.



Dhaka Bank Ltd Chairman Altaf Hossain Sarker and other senior officials pose for photograph after the inauguration of the bank's Goran SME Service Centre in Dhaka recently.

Shipping

Chittagong Port

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Vessels at outer anchorage

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Vessels not ready

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Vessels awaiting employment/instruction

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Positions of Chittagong Port vessels in line with the berthing sheet of CPA provided by IBC.

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Market Highlights November 26, 2008

Table with columns: Index, DSE, CSE, Change, % Change.

Turnover Leaders

Table with columns: Company, Turnover, Big Lot, Share.

Capital Gainers/Losers

Table with columns: Company, Price Chn. (%), Close, Turnover, M.T.K.

Book Closer/Dividend/IPO

Table with columns: Company, R-Day, B-Day, S-Day, Div, Meeting Date.

News from Trade Sectors

Spot Trade Start from 27-11-08: BDLPLANT, HILLPLANT, Normal Trade Start from 27-11-08: AMCL(PARAN), Trade Suspended on 27-11-08: ICB, SONCARGO, ISLAMIBANK, METRO-SPIN, DESCO.

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Source: Capital Gains/Losses tables are prepared on the basis of the close price change of the traded issues. EPS-Earnings per Share, BV-Book Value per Share, etc. Includes CDBL Listed, Category is mentioned beside company name after the company name. All figures are in Taka unless otherwise specified.