

Stocks continue to fall

STAR BUSINESS REPORT
Dhaka stocks continued to fall for a second day yesterday with the turnover coming down to one of the lowest this year.
The turnover on the Dhaka Stock Exchange reached Tk 109.53 crore, the lowest since January 8 when the turnover was Tk 81.54 crore.

Index also fell 24.23 points, or 1.15 percent to 2,073.72 points.
From the very beginning the market started to lose. In the first 60 minutes, the market lost about 18 points. In the following 60 minutes, the market lost over 25 points additionally.
After that the market went up for about 30 minutes and then lost almost the whole gain in the following 30 minutes.

Bank, Summit Power, ACI Formulations, Shipekuro Ceramics, Brac Bank, Grameen Mutual Fund One: Scheme Two, National Bank and LankaBangla Finance.
Chittagong stock also marked a fall. The CSE Selective Categories Index declined 60.19 points, or 1.17 percent to 5,051.79 points, while the CSE All Share Price Index fell 85.8 points, 1.09 percent to 7,771.68 points.
A total of 18,96,344 shares changed hands on the Chittagong Stock Exchange. Of the 108 traded securities on the port city bourse, 19 advanced, 83 declined and six remain unchanged.



BRAC Bank Managing Director AEA Muhaimin launches the 100th ATM booth of the bank at Alliance Francaise in Dhaka yesterday.



Prime Bank Chairman Azam J Chowdhury speaks yesterday at the bank's EGM, which endorsed a plan to raise authorised capital to Tk 1,000 crore from Tk 400 crore.



Saifuddin Quader Chowdhury, chairman of Dacca Dyeing & Manufacturing Company Ltd, presides over the 30th annual general meeting of the company, where a proposal for 10 percent stock dividends (bonus shares) has been approved recently.

Oil rebounds on Opec cut plan

World oil prices rebounded yesterday on expectations that Opec will cut production at a key meeting in Algeria this week, dealers said.
Another factor was signs that the White House could come to the rescue of the beleaguered US auto sector, they added.

Currency

Table showing major currency exchange rates for US dollar, Euro, Australian dollar, etc., with columns for BC Sell, TT Buy, Per USD, and BDT per Currency.

Table titled 'Market Highlights December 15, 2008' showing DSE All Share Index, DSE General Index, and various indicators like Total Turnover and Number of Contracts.

Table titled 'Company' listing various companies like BEXIMCO Ltd, Summit Power, and National Bank with their respective market data.

Table titled 'Book Closer/Dividend/IPO' listing companies with their book closing dates, dividend dates, and IPO dates.

Shipping

Table titled 'Shipping' showing berthing position and performance of vessels as of 15/12/2008, including columns for Berth No, Name of vessels, Cargo call, L Port, Local agent, Date of arrival, and Leaving port.

STOCK

Large table listing various stocks and their market data, including company names, prices, and changes.

TRADED ISSUES

Table listing traded issues for December 15, 2008, including company names, issue types, and dates.

Book Closer/Dividend/IPO

Table listing book closing dates, dividend dates, and IPO dates for various companies.

News from Trade Servers

Spot Trade Start from 17:12-08: AL-HAJTEX
Normal Trade Start from 17:12-08: NOLPMMEX, SOCIALINX, EBL, TTASGAS
SEC has arranged 'Investors Awareness Programme' for general investors and invites active participation for taking pre-investment decision in the capital market of the country. The awareness programme shall be held on 2nd and 4th Wednesday and Thursday of each month during office hours (10:00 am to 3:30 pm) up to June 2009.

Non Traded Issues

Table listing non-traded issues, including company names, issue types, and dates.

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