

Gloom over Asian stocks

AFP, Hong Kong
Asian stock markets were mostly lower Monday as investors remained concerned about the global financial system amid further weak economic data out of Japan and warnings of a bleak 2009 ahead.

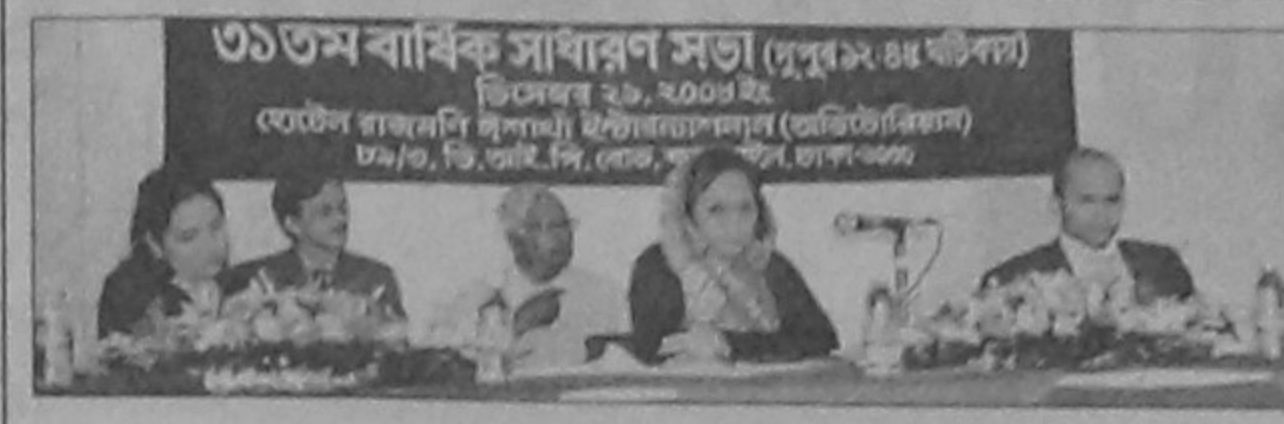
world's second biggest economy was getting worse.
As industrial production and corporate profits deteriorated, the economy is likely to continue worsening for the time being, the Cabinet Office said in its monthly report.

Yen falls in Asian trade

AFP, Tokyo
The yen fell in Asian trade Monday after Washington announced a long-awaited rescue package for the Big Three automakers, giving markets some relief as they wrapped up year-end deals.



Finance Adviser AB Mirza Azizul Islam hands over the 'Certificate of Merit' for the Best-Published Accounts and Reports to Dhaka Bank Managing Director Mohammad Abu Musa at the ICAB National Awards 2008 Ceremony in Dhaka recently.



Rokeya Karim, chairperson of Desh Garments, presides over its annual general meeting in Dhaka on Sunday. The meeting declared 5 percent dividends for shareholders.

Currency

Table showing currency exchange rates for various currencies including US dollar, Euro, Pound, Australian dollar, Japanese yen, Swiss franc, Swedish krona, Canadian dollar, Hong Kong dollar, Singapore dollar, UAE dirham, Saudi riyal, Danish kroner, and Kuwaiti dinar.



Dr Irshad Kamal Khan, independent director of Dutch-Bangla Bank Ltd, inaugurates the bank's fourth SME Service Centre at Raazan, Chittagong on Sunday. Other senior officials were also present.

Market Highlights

Market Highlights for December 22, 2008. Includes DSE All Share Index, DSE General Index, DSE 20 Index, CSE All Share Index, CSE 30 Index, and CSE Selected Index.

Turnover Leaders

Table listing turnover leaders for various companies including Shimpur Sugar, Zeal Bangla Sugar, Rupali Bank, Eastern Lubricants, Duliana Cotton, Rupal Bank, JMB-Bangla Co, Bank Asia, Singer BD, Meghna Petroleum, United Insurance, Therapeutics, Pioneer Insur, Immun Buton, BCL, and LG Energy.

Capital Gainers/Losers

Table listing capital gainers and losers for various companies including Shimpur Sugar, Zeal Bangla Sugar, Rupali Bank, Eastern Lubricants, Duliana Cotton, Rupal Bank, JMB-Bangla Co, Bank Asia, Singer BD, Meghna Petroleum, United Insurance, Therapeutics, Pioneer Insur, Immun Buton, BCL, and LG Energy.

Book Closer/Dividend/IPO

Table listing book closers, dividends, and IPOs for various companies including Dhaka Bank, Rupali Bank, and others.

Shipping

Shipping schedule table with columns for Berth No., Name of vessels, Cargo call, L Port, Local agent, Date of arrival, Leaving, and Import/Export.

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TRADED ISSUES December 22, 2008

Table listing traded issues for various companies including Dhaka Bank, Rupali Bank, and others.

News from Trade Servers

Table listing news from trade servers for various companies including Dhaka Bank, Rupali Bank, and others.

NON BANKING FI

Table listing non-banking financial institutions and their stock prices.

FUEL & POWER

Table listing fuel and power companies and their stock prices.

Pharmaceutical & Chemicals

Table listing pharmaceutical and chemical companies and their stock prices.

General Insurance

Table listing general insurance companies and their stock prices.

Source: Capital Group/BSE. Data are prepared on the basis of the latest available information. All figures are in Taka unless otherwise specified. All figures are in Taka unless otherwise specified.