

World stock markets fall

AP, Bangkok

Most Asian markets sank Monday as investors digested a slew of awful earnings reports from the region's corporate heavyweights and inauspicious signs from Wall Street, where stock averages clocked their worst January ever. European bourses opened sharply lower.

Hong Kong's Hang Seng slid 3.1 percent to 12,861.49, Japan's Nikkei 225 stock average dropped 120.07, or 1.5 percent, to 7,873.98 and South Korea's Kospi was off 1.3 percent at 1,146.95. Australia's main index fell 1.2 percent and markets in Singapore, Thailand and India fell 2 percent or more.

Mainland China's market, reopening after the weeklong Lunar New Years holiday, rose amid a report the government is considering new steps to boost growth. The Shanghai Composite

index gained 1.1 percent to 2,011.68.

Sentiment was shaky after big name Japanese companies like Honda, NEC and Hitachi announced dire results on Friday and data showed the U.S. economy shrank at a 3.8 percent pace in fourth quarter.

For investors, it was academic that the contraction in the world's largest economy wasn't as bad as expected.

Adding to the gloom, the Dow Jones industrial average and Standard & Poor's 500 index posted record percentage drops for January - 8.8 percent and 8.6 percent, respectively.

"The spotlight is on the economy and earnings and doubts about when the recovery in the U.S. will materialize," said Song Seng Wun, head of research at CIMB-GK in Singapore.

European markets followed Asia lower. As trading got underway, France's CAC 40 was down 3 percent,

Britain's FTSE 100 was off 2.1 percent and Germany's DAX sank 2.8 percent. U.S. stock futures extended losses, pointing to a weaker open Monday. Dow futures were down 119, or 1.5 percent, at 7,836 and S&P 500 futures were off 11.4, or 1.4 percent, at 811.10.

In Tokyo, blue chip stocks continued to wilt as investors braced for more earnings shocks after last week's reports showed the country's exporters had been hammered by the global economic downturn and strong yen.

Oil prices slipped below \$41 a barrel Monday in Asia as investors weighed the threat of an oil worker strike in the U.S. against the prospect of more bad economic news this week.

In currencies, the dollar was trading at 88.90 yen, down from 89.95 late Friday. The euro stood at \$1.2742 on \$1.2811.



Social Investment Bank Limited

Training Institute

Workshop On: "Managing Internal Control & Compliance Risk"

Chief Guest: Mr. Abdul Awad, Chairman, SIBL
President: Mr. Abu Sadek, Managing Director, SIBL

Abdul Awad Patwary, chairman of Social Investment Bank Ltd, inaugurates a workshop on "Managing Internal Control and Compliance Risk", organised by the bank's training institute in Dhaka yesterday.

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Market Highlights

February 02, 2009

DSE All Share Index	2188.54514	(-)	1.08%
DSE General Index	2639.28026	(-)	0.84%
DSE - 20 Index	2166.19718	(-)	1.00%
CSE All Share Index	806.23520	(-)	1.46%
CSE - 30 Index	680.59780	(-)	1.25%
CSE Selected Index	5230.09750	(-)	1.30%

Indicators	DSE	CSE
Total Turnover (Taka)	2,492,633,536.00	308,838,194.40
Total Turnover (Volume)	21,785,971	4,253,179
Number of Contract	70,698	11,066
Total Traded Issues	259	167
No. of Issue Gain (Avg. Price Basis)	99	58
No. of Issue Loss (Avg. Price Basis)	157	108
No. of Unchanged Issue (Avg. Price Basis)	3	1
Market Cap. (Taka)	827,934,140,795	792,295,423,518
Market Cap. (US\$)	12,086,629,793	11,566,356,549
Price Earning Ratio	19.03	18.79
Earning Per Share (%)	25.65	25.37

Turnover Leaders

Company	Turnover (Vol.)	(M.Tk.)	(%)	Big Lot Share
Beimco Pharma-A	1,249,373	211.57	8.49	20,000
Summit Power-A	170,415	153.32	6.15	3,000
BEIMCO Ltd-A	559,999	113.15	4.54	15,000
Shinpuer Ceramics-N	974,800	107.18	4.30	10,000
Alims First-A	5,482,500	85.25	3.42	45,000
Alfab Auto-A	146,592	76.38	3.06	1,045
Tias Gas TDCN	148,050	70.63	2.83	1,150
BATFCL-A	287,400	62.79	2.52	5,000
Lafarge Cement-Z	107,300	54.98	2.21	2,000
Greenfield Scheme2-A	680,000	47.15	1.89	13,500

Euro slips

AFP, London

The euro dipped against the dollar on Monday as traders bet that the European Central Bank would cut interest rates later this week in a bid to boost ailing eurozone economies, analysts said.

The dollar also won support as investors looked for havens in the face of mounting worries about the outlook for the global economy.

In morning trade on Monday, the euro fell to 1.2740 dollars from a level of 1.2800 dollars reached in New York late on Friday.



Al-Arafah Islami Bank Ltd recently entered into a remittance agreement with Transmitt International Inc, USA. Ihsanul Aziz, deputy managing director of the bank, and Mohammad M Islam, CEO of Transmitt, among others, were present at the signing ceremony.



Tanvir Haider Choudhury, general manager (branch sales and services) of Standard Chartered Bank, inaugurates the bank's new ATM booth at Laldighi in Chittagong recently.

Currency

Following is Monday's (February 2, 2009) forex statement by Standard Chartered Bank

Major currency exchange rates			Exchange rate of some currencies	
	BC Sell	TT Buy	Per USD	BDT per Currency
US dollar	68.40	68.40		
Euro	90.05	85.43		
Pound	101.40	98.49	Indian rupee	49.00 1.38
Australian dollar	45.29	41.73	Pak rupee	79.03 0.86
Japanese yen	0.80	0.76	Lankan rupee	113.92 0.60
Swiss franc	60.99	57.23	Thai baht	34.98 1.94
Swedish kronor	8.69	7.88	Malaysian ringgit	3.61 18.87
Canadian dollar	57.22	54.97	USD forward rate against BDT	
Hong Kong dollar	8.97	8.80		
Singapore dollar	46.83	45.04	Buy	Sell
UAE dirham	19.04	18.48	1M	68.64 69.65
Saudi riyal	18.84	18.09	2M	68.74 69.80
Danish kroner	12.26	11.34	3M	68.87 70.54
Kuwait dinar	236.01	232.36	6M	69.50 71.87

Source: Capital Gains/Losses are prepared on the basis of the close price of the traded issues. EPS-Earnings per Share, BV-Book Value per Share, % indicates Dividend Yield. Listed Companies are monitored based on company name under CDR, market. All EPS & BV are disseminated in applicable cases. Year end is mentioned based on the declared dividend figure which may not related to the year end of EPS & BV. EPS & BV would be updated after getting the audited annual report of that financial year. EPS/BV of Life Insurance was calculated by special formula which is appropriate just to compare those figures among the companies under life insurance industry. These figures could not be compared with other industry's figures.

TRADED ISSUES February 02, 2009

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover
Alpha Tobacco-Z	19.44	21.37	12.90
Mithun Knitting-A	17.95	9.61	23.00
Danish Dyng-Z	13.30	13.07	36.00
ICB-A	10.17	9.16	20.96
Mono Stiffers-A	10.10	10.13	56.10

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover
Chitang Industries Ltd	20.00	15.67	7.20
Fahad Veng-Z	19.61	16.01	30.50
Perfume Chemical-Z	19.51	19.51	49.00
JAGO Corp. Ltd	16.97	12.32	63.00
Dynastic Textile-Z	14.62	14.09	37.25

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News from Trade Servers

Important news NBL:

National Bank Ltd has further informed that it has postponed the earlier decision of the Board of Directors of the Bank regarding participation in the equity of LR Global Bd. AMC Ltd as SEC has informed the Bank that NBL is not entitled to participate in the equity of LR Global Bd. AMC Ltd. as the Bank is a Stock Broker and Stock Dealer.

Half yearly un-audited accounts

Company	Year End	NPA	EPS	Company	Year End	NPA	EPS
WONDER TOYS	Dec-08	-8.27	-8.27	3RDICB	Dec-08	4.23	42.25
WONDER TOYS	Dec-07	2.36	2.36	4THICB	Dec-08	4.05	40.49
GACHIHATA	Dec-08	-3.8	-1.83	5THICB	Dec-08	4.19	27.93
GACHIHATA	Dec-07	-4.56	-2.22	6THICB	Dec-08	7.11	14.22
1STICB	Dec-08	6	80	7THICB	Dec-08	5.27	17.58
2NDICB	Dec-08	2.57	51.46	8THICB	Dec-08	7.9	15.81

Non Traded Issues

Company	FYML (Taka)	Closing Price	Last Trade Date
BANK INVESTMENT	100.05	3190.00	06/08/08
ENGINEERING	100.05	5198.25	01/02/09
FOOD & AGRICULTURE	100.05	125.50	29/01/09
BEIMCO LTD	100.05	11.00	29/01/09
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AB BANK - A	100.05	18.37	169.00	100.05	18.37	169.00
AB BANK - A	100.05	18.37	169.00	100.05	18.37	169.00
AB BANK - A	100.05	18.37	169.00	100.05	18.37	169.00
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Pharmaceutical & Chemical

Amber Pharma-A	100.05	3.87	24.15
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IT INDUSTRIES

Banladesh Online-A	100.05	1.66	120.00
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