

Stocks end higher

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

The Dhaka market ended the week on a higher note with stocks gaining for a fourth day, led by prominent sectors, except for banks.

The benchmark index of Dhaka Stock Exchange, the DSE General Index, rose by 11.27 points, or 0.44 percent, to 2,550.74. The DSE All Share Price Index also increased 7.45 points, or 0.35 percent, to 2,115.12.

The gaining streak for banks ended as all banks lost yesterday due to a price correction, according to the daily market analysis by Equity Partners Limited (EPL), an investment bank.

The EPL said banks appreciated significantly recently and the investors probably wanted to grab a share of the profits.

Among the most noticeable losers, Prime Bank declined by 5.7 percent, NCC Bank by 5.2 percent and Dhaka Bank by 5.1 percent.

The advancers beat the losers: 144 to 95. Four securities remained unchanged and a total of 2,09,42,556 shares worth Tk 429.44

crore traded on the premier bourse.

ACI topped the turnover leaders, with 9,72,450 shares traded worth Tk 47.34 crore, followed by Titas Gas, Beximco, Summit Power, AB Bank, Uttara Bank, Shineeupur Ceramics, Aftab Automobiles, Power Grid and BD Online.

Chittagong stocks rose only marginally yesterday. The CSE Selective Categories Index gained 10.7 points, or 0.2 percent, to 5,262.02. The CSE All Share Price Index increased by 13.6, or 0.16 percent to 8,099.78.

A total of 43,50,037 shares worth Tk 57.80 crore changed hands on the Chittagong Stock Exchange. Of the traded scrips, 95 advanced, 63 declined and one remained unchanged.

Titas Gas topped the turnover leaders on the port city bourse, with 89,900 shares worth Tk 4.51 crore traded. The other turnover leaders were AB Bank, ACI, Shineeupur Ceramics, Beximco, Beximco Synthetics, Eastern Housing, Beximco Pharma, Uttara Bank and Summit Power.

Oil prices claw back ground

AFP, London

Oil prices rose Thursday, buoyed by hopes of a turnaround in the recession-hit American economy as traders looked past news that US crude stocks have hit their highest level since 1990.

Oil market investors also set aside news of China's slowest economic growth in at least a decade. The United States and China are the first and second biggest energy consuming nations in the world.

In early afternoon trade on Thursday, London's Brent North Sea crude for June delivery added 49 cents to 52.93 dollars per barrel.

New York's main futures contract, light sweet crude for delivery in May, rose 44 cents to 49.69 dollars a barrel.

Oil sank Wednesday on news that US crude reserves had hit the highest level for more than 18 years, indicating fragile demand in the struggling US economy.

"Crude oil rose (on Thursday) for the first time in a week as equities in the United States rallied and the Federal Reserve said some of the country's biggest regional economies showed the pace of their decline," said BetOnMarkets analyst Dave Evans.

Trust Bank Managers' Conference 2009



General Moeen U Ahmed, chief of Army Staff and chairman of Trust Bank Ltd, inaugurates the bank's managers conference 2009 at Kurmitola Golf Club in Dhaka yesterday.

Currency

Thursday's forex statement by Standard Chartered Bank

Major currency exchange rates	BC Sell	TT Buy	Per USD	BDT per Currency
US dollar	69.45	68.45		
Euro	93.47	88.73		
Pound	106.31	100.90		
Australian dollar	51.91	48.27		
Japanese yen	0.75	0.68		
Swiss franc	62.33	58.40		
Swedish krona	8.84	7.92		
Canadian dollar	58.66	56.32		
Hong Kong dollar	6.98	6.81		
Singapore dollar	47.45	45.59	1.00	68.83 69.83
UAE Dirham	19.06	18.18	2.00	69.11 70.46
Saudi riyal	18.67	18.11	3.00	69.37 70.90
Danish kroner	13.01	11.44	6.00	70.27 72.05
Kuwaiti dinar	235.06	231.80	6.00	

USD forward rate against BDT

Buy	Sell
68.83	69.83
69.11	70.46
69.37	70.90
70.27	72.05

Local Market FX

Local inter-bank FX market was active on Thursday. USD/BDT rate was similar to the previous working day. The market was liquid.

Money Market

Money market was active on Thursday. Most deals traded at 25-5 percent. Market was very liquid.

International Market

The yen and dollar rose on Thursday after a series of weak economic data around the world souped some optimism that the global economy may be starting its recovery, pushing investors toward perceived safer assets. Gains were capped however, after a better-than-expected earnings report from JPMorgan Chase suggested that US banks were beginning to recover from the financial market meltdown. The euro fell to a session low after data showing an ongoing fall in euro zone industrial production and a drop in inflation to an all-time low reinforced the view that the euro zone economy is deteriorating and that interest rates may fall more.



Managing Director of Prime Bank M Ehsanul Haque speaks to the press in Dhaka yesterday ahead of the bank's 14th anniversary. Additional Managing Director Mahbubul Alam and other high officials were also present.

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Market Highlights April 16, 2009

DSE All Share Index	2115.12451 (+) 0.35%
DSE General Index	2550.74429 (+) 0.44%
DSE - 20 Index	1981.45220 (+) 0.30%
CSE All Share Index	5089.78990 (+) 0.17%
CSE - 30 Index	5367.25170 (+) 0.14%
CSE Selected Index	6282.02350 (+) 0.20%

Indicators	DSE	CSE
Total Turnover (Taka)	4,294,464,462.90	578,055,217.00
Total Turnover (Volume)	20,942,562.90	4,350,037.00
Number of Contract	98,440	159
Total Traded Issues	243	113
No. of Issue Gains (Avg. Price Basis)	177	113
No. of Issue Loss (Avg. Price Basis)	65	46
No. of Unchanged Issue (Avg. Price Basis)	1	1
Market Cap. (Taka)	766,939,647,172	733,831,348,378
Market Cap. (USD)	11,196,199,229	10,712,866,400
Price Earning Ratio	17.21	16.84
Earning Per Share (%)	25.77	25.52

Turnover Leaders

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ACI Limited*	972,510	473.46	11.02	5,700
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Beximco Synth.*	41,540	20.88	3.61	1,000
Eastern Housing*	35,000	19.14	3.31	500
Beximco Pharma*	121,895	18.56	3.21	30,000
Uttara Bank*	9,040	17.56	3.04	1,000
Summit Power*	14,682	17.52	3.03	300

Capital Gainers/Losers

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover	M.Tk.
ACI Limited*	D 11.73	5.02	513.60	473.45
Standard Ceramic-B	10.96	10.94	27.50	0.073
Fu-Wang Ceramic-B	9.70	9.10	226.25	31.533
ACI Formulations Ltd	8.41	5.60	184.75	0.0598
Prime Textile-A	8.36	10.90	184.75	7.785

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover	M.Tk.
Dhaka Fisheries-B	C 14.72	14.22	155.75	0.031
Chittagong Veng-Z	19.38	18.95	38.50	0.002
eth ICB MF-A	12.50	12.50	67.00	0.004
ACI Limited*	10.93	6.58	511.70	23.968
ICB AMCL 1st MF-A	10.21	10.19	51.00	0.207

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover	M.Tk.
Padma Printers-Z	D -9.09	-8.69	12.00	0.019
Tulp Dairy&Food-Z	-7.32	-7.32	38.00	0.003
Monno Jute-A	-7.20	-7.20	1,991.00	1.000
Republic Intex-A	-6.33	-1.20	27.75	6.107
Eastern Insur-A	-5.94	-0.89	586.00	0.998

Company	Price Chn. (%)	Close	Turnover	M.Tk.
Gulf Foods-B	C -20.00	-20	128.00	0.006
Federal Insurance-A	-11.11	-13.18	400.00	0.020
2nd ICB MF-A	-7.66	-7.66	2,250.00	0.011
City Gas Insur-Z	-6.97	-2.09	210.05	0.011
Republic Insur-A	-6.72	-2.51	270.50	0.275

TRADED ISSUES April 16, 2009

Company	R-Day/BC	Spot	Div	Meeting Date
Alfa Romeo B-A	07/05/04	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06
BPCL B-A	25/04/05	30/68	AGM	06/06

News from Trade Servers

Spot Trade Start from 19:04:09. IFLSL
Normal Trade Start from 19:04:09. SHAHJABAN, APEXADELFT.
Sponsors Buy/Sell: SOCIALINV. Dr Adalat Djabiev to sell 7,000 shares.
Dividend Declaration: ACI: 100% Cash, 20% Stock.
ACI: The Company has also reported N.P= Tk. 1075.67 m. EPS = Tk. 66.52
As per an-audited half yearly accounts: ENGINEER: Net loss = Tk. (0.58) m. EPS = Tk. (29.06)
SINGERBD: The company has further informed that the 29th AGM of the company will now be held at National Shooting Complex, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212 on April 29, 2009 instead of "City Grand Hall" of Bashundhara City, Panthapath, Dhaka-1212. Other information relating to the AGM date, time and agenda will remain unchanged.
UNIONCAP: The company has informed that the Board of Directors of the company has decided to sponsor a Mutual Fund in the name of "UCL 1st Mutual Fund" subject to approval of SEC. In response to DSE query the company has also informed that no decision has been taken regarding the following: 1. Size of the fund, 2. Sponsors portion, 3. Size of Pre-IPO Placement, 4. IPO of fund, 5. Asset-Manger, Trustee and Custodian of the fund and 6. Expected date to apply to SEC.
BDAUTOCA: The company has further informed that it has started the CNG Compressor (3rd Compressor) from today (16.04.09) as announced earlier.

Shipping

Chittagong Port

Berthing position and performance of vessels as on 16/4/2009

Berth No.	Name of vessels	Cargo cat.	L port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving	Import disch
J/3	Mongla	Rice(p)	Yang	Mia	13/4	18/4	-
J/11	Kota Mawar	Cont	Sing	Pil(bd)	15/4	17/4	527
J/12	Freda Schulte	Cont	Sing	Api	11/4	16/4	370
J/13	Hansa Calypso	Cont	P. Kel	Season	15/4	17/4	596
Ccd/1	Merkur Lake	Cont	Sing	Bdshp	13/4	16/4	-
Ccd/2	Kota Raja	Cont	Sing	Pil(bd)	14/4	16/4	-
Ccd/3	Banga Bank	Cont	Col	Bdshp	12/4	17/4	-
Ncd/1	Asian Star	Cont	Col	Mbdi	15/4	17/4	-
Ncd/3	Bao Long Men	Urea(bic)	Uae	Pml	2/4	18/4	-
Ncd/5	Multan	Urea(bic)	Ummse	Sast	31/3	18/4	-
Ccd/1	Golden Pacific	C. Click	Tarj	Bal	13/4	17/4	-
Gsj	Banglar Mookh	C. Click	Qatar	Bac	11/4	21/4	-
Tsp:	Banglar Yacht	Idle	-	Bac	R/a	17/4	-

Vessels at outer anchorage

Vessels ready

Name of vessels	Cargo cat.	L port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving	Import disch
Amur River	Cont	Col	Api	15/4	15/4	15/4
Cape Henry	Cont	Col	Api	15/4	15/4	15/4
Ym Marlin	Cont	Sing	Tml	15/4	15/4	15/4
Pacific Serenity	W/d Naptha	Ctg	Eosl	15/4	15/4	15/4
Di Rose	Gas Oil	Sing	Pride	15/4	15/4	15/4
Banga Bort	Cont	-	Bardhi	R/a (11/4)	15/4	15/4

Vessels not ready

Name of vessels	Cargo cat.	L port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving	Import disch
Pagan	Gly, Ma(pul)	Yang	Mia	10/4	10/4	10/4
Saikat Wind	Cont	P. Link	Bl	9/4	9/4	9/4
New Lulinhai	Wheat(p)	Sing	Elite	14/4	14/4	14/4
Noor-e-mostafa	Salt(bag)	Kand	Psal	15/4	15/4	15/4

Vessels awaiting employment / instruction

Name of vessels	Cargo cat.	L port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving	Import disch
Santa Suria-I	Ballast	Mong	Seacom	13/12	13/12	13/12
Volissos Power	-	Fsi	R/a (25/11)	2/1	2/1	2/1
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Maha Marie Jose	Para	Sail	14/3	14/3	14/3	14/3
Pontomedon	Ballast	Hald	Barw/ Qc	26/3	26/3	26/3
Banga Lanka	-	Bardhi	R/a (4/4)	4/4	4/4	4/4
Banglar Moni	Repair	Mumb	Bsc	R/a (2/10)	2/10	2/10

Vessels not entering

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Marry Falcon	Tsp(bag)	Sing	Ulmton	20/1	20/1	20/1
Qing Ping Hai	Gypsum	Krabi	Sunmoon	8/4	8/4	8/4
Sarim	C. Click	Kant	Ulmton	8/4	8/4	8/4
Lucky Field	C. Click	Kohai	Ulmton	8/4	8/4	8/4
Hao Xing	C. Click	Sing	Psai	9/4	9/4	9/4
De Vanguard	G. Slag	Vizza	Sastic	14/4	14/4	14/4
Haoing Glory	Sugar	Santos	Rainbow	14/4	14/4	14/4
Princes Diana	Wheat(p)	Niko	Uml	14/4	14/4	14/4

Chittagong Port Vessels' position as per berthing sheet of CPA provided by BRC

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