DGEN reaches 1-yr high

Single day turnover hits record

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Dhaka stocks witnessed a bullish session yesterday, a day after a bomb hoax rattled the market on Monday, with the key index, DGEN, reaching a one-year high at 3,010.26 points.

single day turnover to cross Tk 900 crore for the first time. The turnover was recorded at Tk 942.19 crore that surpassed the previous highest of Tk 834 crore on June 21 this year.

The benchmark index of Dhaka Stock Exchange, DSE General Index (DGEN), jumped by 57.63 points, or 1.95 percent. The DGEN closed at 3,020.3 points on July 6 last year.

Market operators said the bomb hoax, which was made to destabilise the market and create panic among investors, could not cast any impact.

The market witnessed some records that are good signs, DSE President Rakibur Rahman told The Daily Star.

"It shows that our investors are very conscious and matured enough. They came to know that the bomb threat was a false one and plotted to destabilise the market," he said.

Easy loan

proposed for

self-financed

energy projects

Bangladesh Solar Energy

Society placed yesterday a

14-point proposal including

easy term loan for self-

financed renewable energy

projects before the govern-

ment for the expansion of

the sector amid increasing

Prof Saiful Haque placed the

proposals at a press confer-

ence at Renewable Energy

Research Centre at Dhaka

The society leaders wel-

comed the government's

decision of withdrawing all

types of tax and VAT on

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Bangladesh Bank for declar-

ing a revolving fund of Tk 200

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Secretary of the society

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The DSE received a hoax bomb was quite stable. After that, the index unchanged.

threat Monday that forced the premier bourse to close its trading 45 minutes ahead of schedule.

Rahman however suggested that the investors be cautious about investment when the market witnesses an upward trend. "The investors should The rally in share prices also led the analyse the fundamentals of securities before making investment during a bullish period. Or they should wait for a correction in share prices," he added.

The market rallied yesterday in the opening session with a 45-point jump during the first 90 minutes, thanks to gains in cement, pharmaceuticals, and fuel and power sectors' shares.

In the cement sector, Lafarge Surma Cement gained the highest 6.1 percent, while in the pharmaceuticals sector, Beximco Pharma increased by 3.2 percent, ACI Limited 0.4 percent, ACI Formulations 2.2 percent and Renata by 1.8 percent. Square Pharma and GlaxoSmithKline however lost 0.7

percent and 1.8 percent respectively. In the fuel and power sector, Titas Gas gained 2.6 percent, Powergrid 2.6 percent, Desco 1.3 percent and Summit Power 1.2 percent.

started to rise once again and persisted for rest of the session. In this period, banks contributed the most, Equity Partners Limited (EPL), an investment firm, said in its daily market analysis.

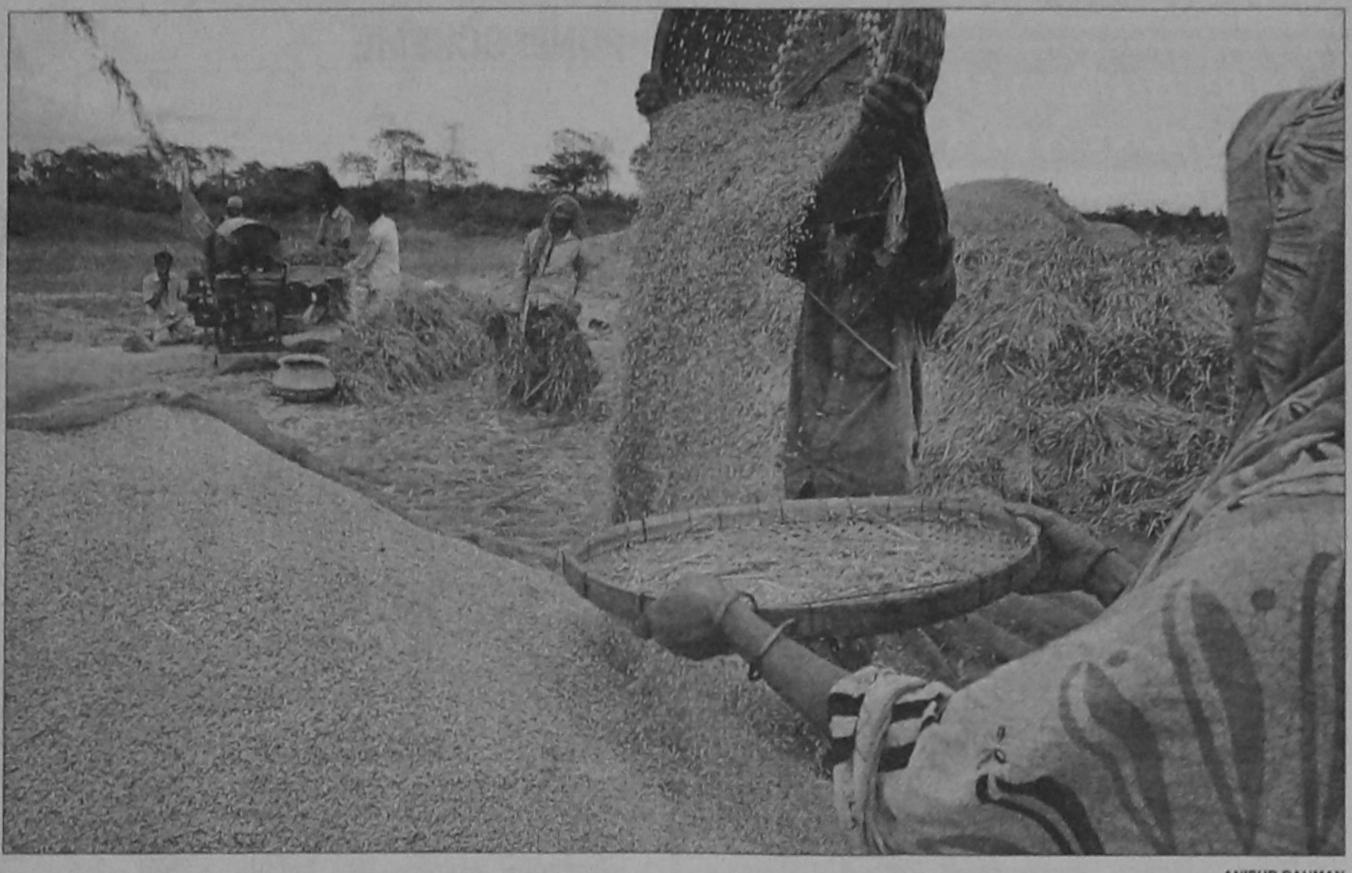
Almost all the banks gained by large margins. Mercantile Bank, which rose by 24.1 percent, and ICB Islamic Bank, which increased by 13 percent, led the way. Mercantile Bank's corporate declaration about its intention to collect capital in various forms has created a significant buying pressure for the bank, the EPL said.

"Investors' confidence has increased in recent times which has caused new funds being injected in the market," the EPL analysis added.

The advancers beat the losers 179 to 68. A total of 4,32,54,081 shares were traded on the premier bourse.

Chittagong stocks also posted a sharp rise yesterday. The CSE Selective Categories Index went up by 162.8 points, or 2.46 percent, to 6,772.23.

A total of 74,38,973 shares worth Tk 120.38 crore changed hands on the Chittagong Stock Exchange. Of the traded scrips, 140 advanced, 32 During the mid-session, the market declined and six remained



ANISUR RAHMAN

The boro rice output has crossed the target set by the government, but farmers are hurt by falling prices.

Boro output crosses target

SOHEL PARVEZ

The boro rice output has reached about 1.9 crore tonnes this year, driven by a rise in acreage, according to a preliminary estimate by the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE).

However, yield per hectare remains almost the same as in the previous year, thwarting the objective of raising output vertically ble land, officials said.

"Boro rice production has of boro output last year. exceeded our target of 1.8 crore tonnes. Our preliminary estimate shows that total output has reached about 1.9 crore tonnes this that rice production would year," Md Sayeed Ali, direc- not go below its targeted Daily Star, yesterday.

DAE's output estimate

thousands of farmers are receiving low prices for their produce stemming from an increased supply of rice to the market.

Analysts fear the low prices of rice might dampen farmers' spirits and affect production and acreage next year.

Last year, DAE estimated boro output at 1.8 crore tonnes, although the data differed with the estimates of state statistical agency Bangladesh Bureau of because of declining cultiva- Statistics (BBS), which recorded 1.77 crore tonnes

> BBS is yet to finalise the boro production data for the recently ended boro harvesting period. DAE expects increased.

comes at a time when tens of rice has encouraged many On the other hand, hybrid

farmers to allocate more lands for rice farming resulting in an increase in acreage," Ali said.

According to Ali, acreage in rice production increased 4.81 percent or 225,000 hectares to 4900,000 hectares this year from 467,5000 hectares in the previous boro season. Low price of maize has

also helped increase boro rice acreage as many farmers, depressed by the low price of maize in the second half of last year, marked their lands for boro plantation. Yield per unit of land

however remains almost the same with the previous year.

According to DAE, average yield of high yielding variety (HYV) rice (husked), tor general of DAE, told The level as acreage has which accounts for bulk of cultivation, stood at 3.8 "Last year's high price of tonnes per hectare last year.

rice yield touched 4.7 tonnes per hectare the same year.

Sayeed blamed high prices of non-urea fertiliser such as TSP, MOP and DAP during the early days of boro cultivation for sluggish yield of rice. Many farmers, who went for early plantation, fail to make a balanced use of fertiliser due to high price," he said.

Subash Dasgupta, assistant representative of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) in Bangladesh, also observed that productivity might go down this year as farmers encountered different types of localised difficulties such as pest and disease attacks, low rainfall and late sowing.

He however said boro output might exceed the target this year due to an increase in acreage.

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BB to give credit info in 5 workdays

UNB, Dhaka

fiscal year and the Bangladesh Bank yesterday announced its Credit Information Bureau (CIB) is ready to give default loan information to banks and financial institutions in five They said Bangladesh workdays. enjoys geographically the

In line with the central bank service standard, the quick service starts today.

Director of Renewable "We've up to date infor-Energy Research Centre Prof mation from a huge backlog Neem Chandra Bhowmik today (Tuesday)," Executive

told a press briefing at mation from the CIB, as a Bangladesh Bank.

Samson H Chowdhury, chairman of Mutual Trust Bank Ltd, inaugurates the foundation cere-

mony of the bank's own corporate head office building in Dhaka on Thursday.

He said the CIB had a huge backlog of over 60,000 inquiries for credit information because of increased demand for credit information. Secondly, the backlog further worsened because of Bangladesh Bank's involvement in the process of ninth parliamentary and Upazila Parisad elections.

to wait even one and a half halfmonth. Director AHM Kai-Khasru months to get credit infor-

result. Disbursement of loans to different projects was delayed due to a lack of timely CIB report.

MUTUAL TRUST BANK

Khasru said the backlog has been removed through special efforts of the central bank by involving fresh recruited 50 officers, even before their training, and 30 interns as they worked on updating the information in He said banks and FIs had double shifts for last one and

Khasru said the number October 2010.

of inquiries is increasing by the day and the average inquiries rose to 4,000 a day.

"The demand for credit will increase further," he said, adding that the central bank would put the credit information online as a project in this regard is progressing.

He said the current process of updating credit information by the interns will continue until the online credit information becomes completely operational in



Towhid Samad, chairman of Bangladesh General Insurance Company Ltd, speaks at the company's 24th annual general meeting in Dhaka recently. The company declared 18 percent stock dividend for 2008.

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বাংলাদেশ জাতীয় সংসদ সচিবালয়

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	তারিখ		
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			ফ্যাক্স মেশিন।
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9.	দরপত্রদাতার		দরপত্রের সাথে ২০০৮-২০০৯ অর্থ বছরের ট্রে
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	tender validity		হাজার) এবং প্যাকেজ নং-১৭ এর জন্য ১,০০০/
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			সচিবালয় এবং সিভিল সার্জন ঢাকা এর কার্যালয়
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New holding tax evokes resentment in Barisal

RAFIQUL ISLAM, Barisal

The increased holding taxes among house owners in (BCC) areas. They demanded that the FY2005-06.

BCC authorities reconsider the decision to hike such taxes by 10-20 times and keep those uniform and at a ingtax for his tin-shed house tolerable level.

revised as per a survey conofficials said.

Hossain Hiron told The builton 40 decimals of land. Daily Star that the recent reat bringing the newly conand extended areas under further pointed out. tax net, which had not been updated for the last 6 years.

The number of houses in the 45 square kilometre areas of BCC, upgraded from 4,500 from Tk 900. a municipality in 2002, is

In fiscal 2004-05, the fixing new rates". have evoked resentment assessment for holding taxes on 28,000 houses began, Barisal City Corporation while such assessment on 8,000 houses kicked off in

An unhappy resident of whims. Ruptali area said the BCC has raised the annual holdon only two decimals of land Holding taxes have been to Tk 1,500crore from Tk110. City Mayor Shawkat amount of tax for his house he said.

This anomaly or the lack assessment move was aimed of uniformity in the holding ing taxes from 36,000 houses tax will create room for cor- in FY2006-2007. structed houses in BCC's old ruption by the BCC staff, he

> area has also expressed his structed before 2003 are now dismay over the re-fixing of paying holding tax. "This taxes for his house to Tk should not happen. We want

36,000-28,000 in the old part same area said, "The BCC said.

and 8,000 in the extended authorities are now just harassing us in the name of

> Abdul Mannan of Natun Bazar area alleged in the absence of a uniform rate, the BCC tax collectors are taking decisions at their

On such allegation, BCC Ward Commissioner Nasir Uddin said the city corporation staffers have been directed to follow the exist-In this context he pointed to ing rules in re-fixing holding ducted three years ago, the fact that his neighbour tax. "If there is anything has been charged the same wrong, it will be corrected,'

> The corporation collected Tk 4.05 crore as hold-

Meanwhile, the BCC Year' mayor complained that Ayub Ali of Bagura Road owners of the houses conto put new house owners on Mir Moniruzzam of the the list of taxpayers," Hiron

PRIME BANK

Global ad spending to drop: Study

STAR BUSINESS DESK

GroupM, a global media investment management operation, has forecasted that the international advertising spending in measured media is going to drop by 5.5 percent to \$417 billion in

However the situation is expected to improve in 2010 with a mild recovery, when the decline may ease to \$411 billion, said a statement on Monday.

Brazil, Russia, India and China are going to lead the recovery, while advertising spending in the US and the G7 nations will probably lag behind, according to the GroupM's 70-country study report styled 'This Year, Next

"China's economic stimulus has already strengthened confidence, and the demand for advertising will recover quickly if \$70-abarrel oil prices are here to stay," said Adam Smith, director of GroupM Futures.

Brazil and Indonesia remain among the top growth contributors and India is predicted to come back strongly after pausing in 2009, Smith added.

The study said the advertising spending in the US is set to fall 4.3 percent this year followed by an anticipated 6.5 percent drop in 2010. Those figures compare to an average 6.4 percent decline in 2009 followed by a 5.5 percent drop in 2010 in the G7 nations -- Canada, France, Germany, Italy, UK, Japan and US.

But Smith stressed that global prospects for a limited advertisement recovery in 2010 are improving.



নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর

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বিক্র-য়ের

দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য

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উপকেন্দ্র হইতে আওগল্প পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিঃ পর্যন্ত ১৩২/৩৩ কেডি ২৫/৪১.৭ এমভিএ পাওয়ার ট্রাপফরমার পরিবহন কাজ।

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(খ) ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের হালনাগাদ তালিকাভূক্তির নবায়ন, ট্রেড লাইসেন, আয়কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্র, ভাাট, নিবন্ধীকরণ সনদপত্র, আর্থিক স্বচ্ছলতার স্নদপত্র, মালিকানার সনদপত্র দরপত্রের

সহিত দাখিল করিতে হইবে। (গ) ১০ এমভিএ বা তদুর্দ্ধ পাওয়ার ট্রাপফরমার পরিবহন কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার

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ক) ২০০০/- (দুই হাজার টাকা) মাত্র

ক) প্রধান প্রকৌশলী, বিতরণ কুমিল্লা অঞ্চল, বিউবো, কৃমিল্লা।

ৰ) তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্ৰকৌশলী, প ও স সার্কেল, বিউবো, জাঙ্গালীয়া, কুমিল্লা। গ) ইউনাইটেড কর্মাশিয়াল ব্যাংক লিঃ, বি-বাড়ীয়া শাখা হইতে নিমুশ্বাক্রকারীর পূর্বানুমতিক্রমে ক্রয়/সরবরাহ করা হইবে। নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীরে দন্তর, বিতরণ বিভাগ,

বি-বাডীয়া। ১২। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ ঃ ১২/০৭/০৯ইং (অফিস/ব্যাংক লেনদেন हलाकालीन अभरता)। : ১৩/০৭/০৯ইং (তারিম্ব বেলা ১১.৩০ দরপত্র গ্রহণের ভারিখ

মিনিট হইতে ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত)। ১৩/০৭/০৯ইং তারিখ বেলা ১২.৩০ ১৪। দরপত্র খোলার ডারিখ : ঘটিকা।

পিপিআর-২০০৮-এর সকল নিয়মকানুন মানিয়া চলিতে হইবে। ১৭। সংগ্রাহক সন্তা কোন কারণ দর্শানো বাতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

নিৰ্বাহী প্ৰকৌশলী विमार/जन-১৮৮৫(७)/२৫/५/०० জিডি-৩২০৮

১৫। কার্য সমান্তির সময়সীমা ঃ ১২০ দিন।

বিতরণ বিভাগ, বিউবো বি-বাড়ীয়া

M Ehsanul Haque, managing director of Prime Bank Ltd, hands over a cheque to AAMS Arefin Siddique, vice chancellor of Dhaka University, in the capital recently. As part of its CSR activities, the bank will assist the DU Senate for its management development activities.