

CORPORATE BRIEFS

SONALIANAS Unaudited half-yearly accounts as of December 31, 2009 show the company has reported profit after tax of Tk 7.69 million with EPS of Tk 34.02 as against last year's half yearly of Tk 3.51 million and Tk 15.53 respectively.

SEC has fined the company's Managing Director Md Nurul Islam Patwary, directors Shamsunahar, Md Mobarak Ali, Mohsina Patwary, Md Mahubur Rahman Patwary, Zafar Ahmed Patwary and Nabha Patwary Tk 2 lakh each for non-compliance with securities laws in preparing audited financial statements for the year to June 30, 2008.

MERCANTILE BANK Bilkis Begum, one of the sponsors/directors of the bank, has reported her intention to sell 8,000 shares out of her

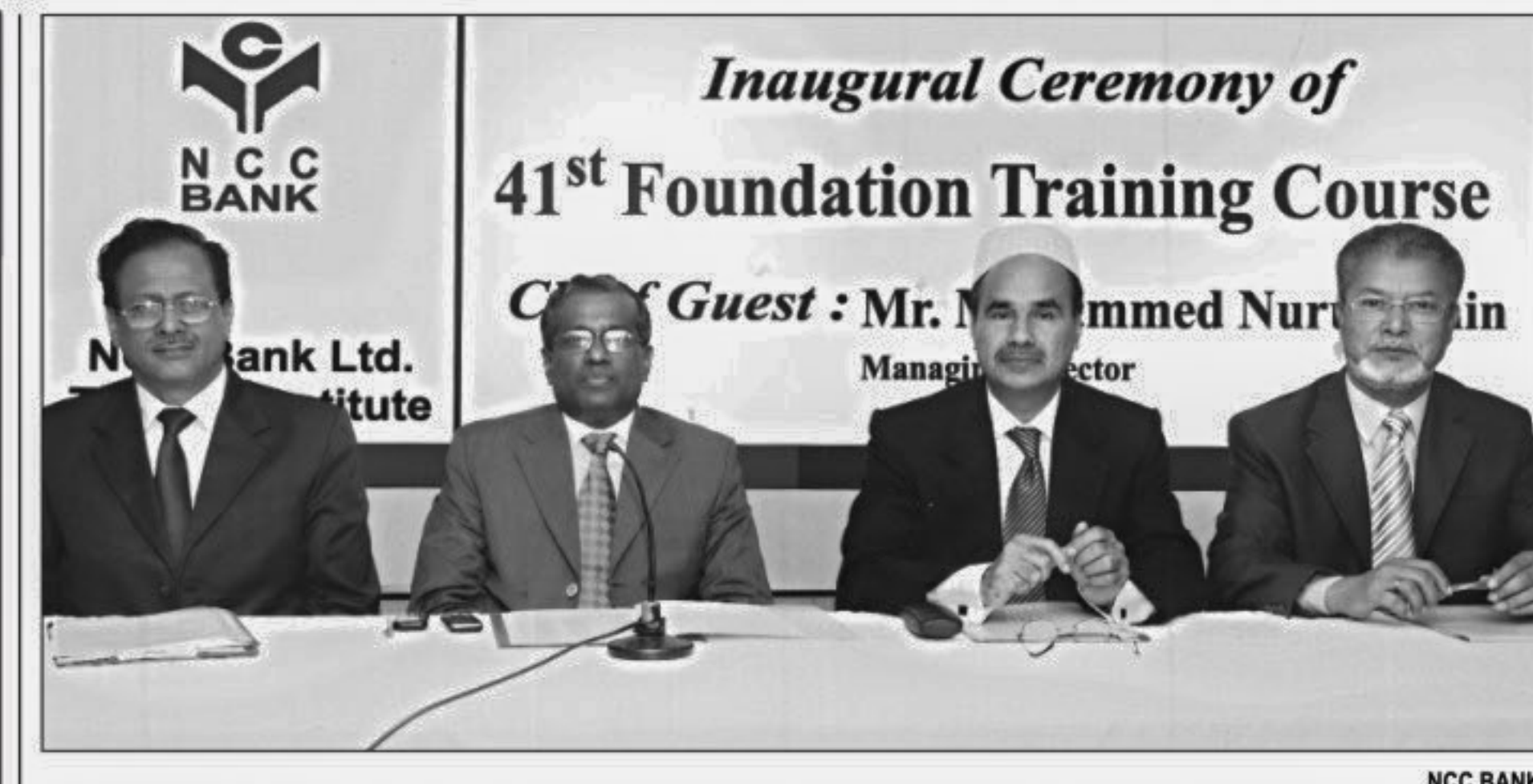
SHAHJALAL BANK

total holdings of 1,34,615 shares of the bank at prevailing market price through stock exchange in next 30 workdays.

The board of directors has approved the following decisions: 1. (a) The bank will sponsor a mutual fund of Tk 2,000 million (Tk 200 million unit of Tk 10 each) namely SJIBL 1st NRB Mutual Fund. (b) It will sponsor by subscribing 20 percent of Tk 400 million out of the total fund. The balance will be raised through private placement and initial public offering.

ICB ISLAMIC BANK

The board of directors has recommended cash dividend at 25 percent for 2008-2009 and at 16 percent for the previous year. The record date for entitlement of the dividend will be on March 4 for both fiscal years.



Mohammed Nurul Amin (2-L), managing director of National Credit and Commerce Bank Ltd, attends the bank's 41st foundation training course for its officers in Dhaka recently.

Oil lower

Oil fell below 77 dollars a barrel in afternoon trade Thursday after recent sharp gains as demand concerns and a stronger dollar weighed on the market. New York's main futures contract, light sweet crude for delivery in March, was down 39 cents to 76.94 dollars a barrel.

Brent North Sea crude for April delivery declined 51 cents to 75.76 dollars a barrel. Analysts said prices were impacted by the American Petroleum Institute's oil inventory report Wednesday indicating a weakness in US demand.

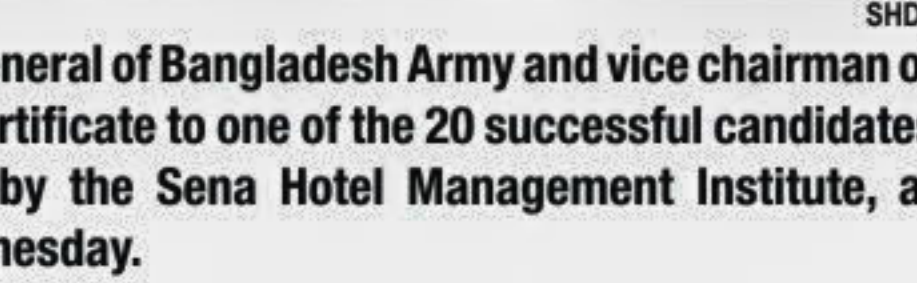
Currency

Table showing Thursday's forex statement by Standard Chartered Bank. Major currency exchange rates: US dollar 69.70, Euro 96.02, Pound 110.56, Australian dollar 63.87, Japanese yen 0.79, Swiss franc 65.75, Canadian dollar 9.91, Swedish krona 67.83, Hong Kong dollar 8.99, Singapore dollar 50.69, UAE dirham 19.08, Saudi riyal 18.68, Danish kroner 13.24, Kuwaiti dinar 23.25.

Local Market FX The local market traded actively today. USD/BDT rates were stable today. Money Market Money market rates traded in the range of 3.5-4.5. Most deals traded around 4.0%. The market was liquid.



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STOCK

Market Highlights February 18, 2010

Market Highlights table showing DSE All Share Index at 4719.41229 (+1.06%), DSE 20 Index at 3125.58410 (+1.27%), and CSE All Share Index at 10920.6000 (+1.24%).

Turnover Leaders

Table of Turnover Leaders with columns for Company, Turnover (Vol., M.Tk.), and Big Lot Share.

Capital Gainers/Losers

Table of Capital Gainers/Losers with columns for Company, Price Chn. (%), Close Price, and Turnover.

Dividend/RD BC/IPO

Table of Dividend/RD BC/IPO with columns for Company, R.Day, BC, Spot, Div, and Meeting Date.

News from Trade Sectors

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TRADED ISSUES FEBRUARY 18, 2010

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S/Note: Capital Gain/Loss rates are prepared on the basis of the close price change of the traded issues. EPS= Earnings Per Share, BV=Book Value per Share, ** indicates CDBL Listed, Category is mentioned beside company name after CDBL mark. All EPS & BV are diluted/included (in applicable cases). Year end is mentioned beside the declared dividend figure which may not related to the end of EPS & BV rates. EPS & BV were updated after getting the audited annual report of that financial year. EPS/BV of Life Insurance was calculated by special formulae which is approximate to that of companies under the insurance industry. These figures could not be compared with other industry's figures.