

CORPORATE BRIEFS

BANGLADESH INDUSTRIAL FIN CO

The company's Board of Directors recommended 22.5 percent stock dividend for 2009. The AGM will be held on May 19 (at 10:30am) at Officers Club in Dhaka. The record date is May 3. The board also reported earnings per share of Tk 34.34, net asset value per share of Tk 153 and net operating cash flow per share of Tk 8.95, as of December 31, 2009. There is no price limit on the trading of shares today, following its corporate declaration.

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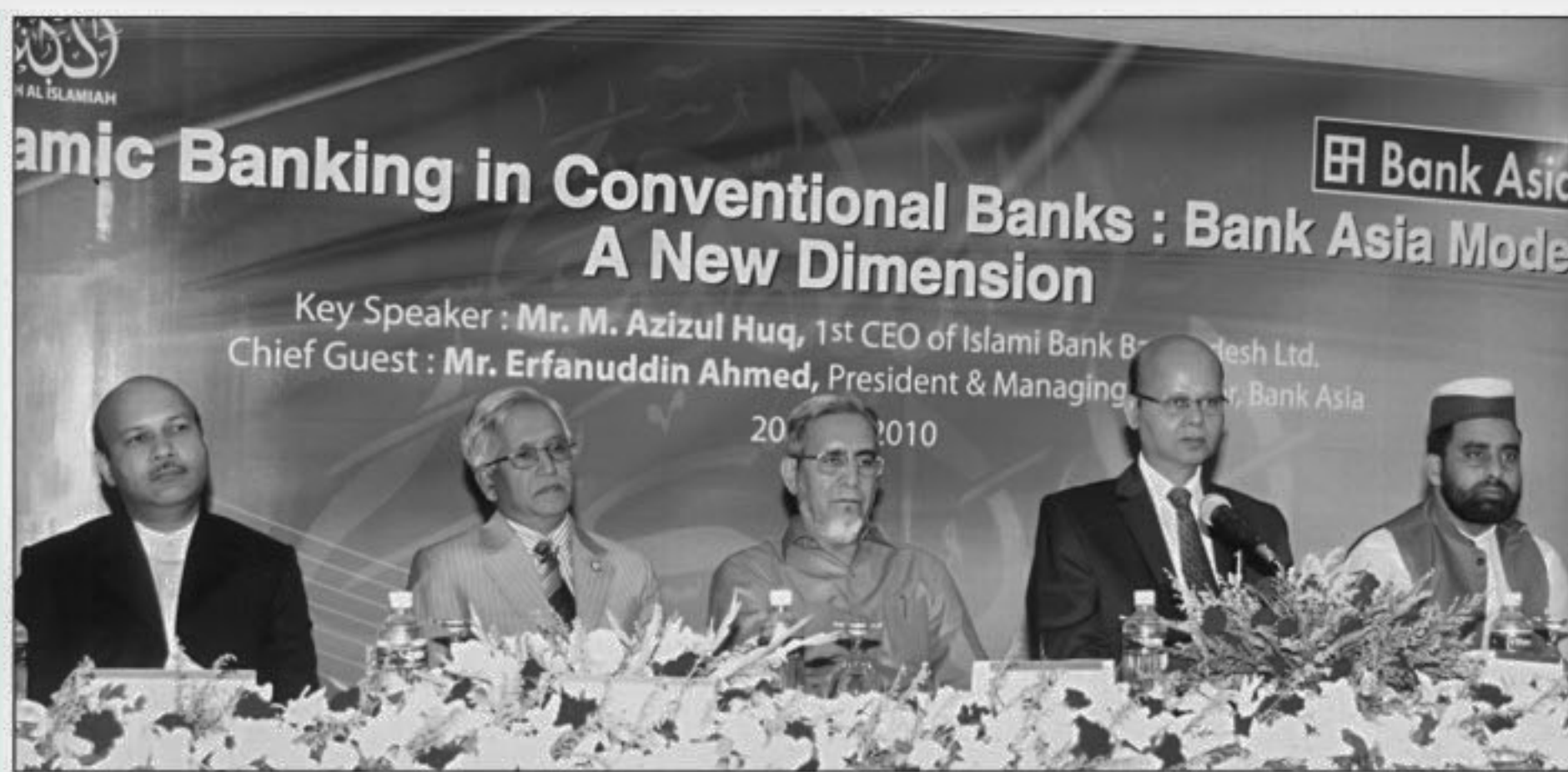
The company recommended 105 percent cash dividend (Tk 10.50 per share of Tk 10 each) for 2009. The AGM will be held on June 16 (at 9am) at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in Dhaka. The record date is May 2. Its Board of Directors also reported consolidated net profit of Tk 594.00 million with consolidated earnings per share of Tk 30.64, as of December 31, 2009 as against Tk 918 million and Tk 47.30 respectively as on December 31, 2008. The company also reported net profit of Tk 987 million, earnings per share of Tk 50.85, net asset value per share of Tk 156.16 and net operating cash flow per share of Tk 26.49, as of December 31, 2009 as against Tk 1,076 million, Tk 55.44, Tk 113.62 and Tk 42.94 respectively, as of December 31, 2008. The company also approved the proposal to set up second plant of ACI salt at around Tk 500 million. There was no price limit on the company's share trading yesterday, following its corporate declaration.

BANGLADESH FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

The company's Board of Directors recommended 20 percent stock dividend (one bonus share for every five shares) for 2009. It also decided to increase authorised capital from Tk 50 crore to Tk 500 crore and accordingly, memorandum and articles of association of the company will be amended, subject to approval of shareholders in the EGM, AGM and regulatory authorities. The EGM and AGM will be held on May 30 (at 10am and 10:30am respectively at the Institution of Diploma Engineers in Dhaka). The record date is May 2. It also reported net profit after tax of Tk 80.47 million, earnings per share of Tk 21.93, net asset value per share of Tk 150.35 and net operating cash flow per share of Tk 102.65, as of December 31, 2009 against Tk 64.30 million, Tk 17.52 (restated), Tk 141.27 and Tk 91.15 respectively, as of December 31, 2008. There was no price limit on the trading of the company's shares yesterday following its corporate declaration.

GQ BALL PEN

The company's Board of Directors recommended 35 percent cash dividend for 2009. The AGM will be held on May 26 (at 10am) at Samarai Convention Centre in Dhaka. The record date is May 4. It also reported earnings per share of Tk 9.72, net asset value per share of Tk 121.93 and net operating cash flow per share of Tk 13.79, as of December 31, 2009. There was no price limit on the company's trading of shares yesterday following its corporate declaration.



Erfanuddin Ahmed, president and managing director of Bank Asia, attends the launch of the bank's Islamic banking model at a programme in Dhaka on Tuesday.

Oil above \$84

AFP, London

World oil prices breached 84 dollars on Wednesday as European governments reopened their airspace to more flights following a shutdown caused by ash from an erupting volcano in Iceland.

Traders were meanwhile awaiting the latest weekly update on the state of energy stockpiles in the United States, which is the world's biggest energy consuming nation.

New York's main contract, light sweet crude for delivery in June, rose 56 cents to 84.41 dollars a barrel.

London Brent North Sea crude for June added 87 cents to 85.67 dollars per barrel.

Currency

Shipping

Chittagong Port

Berthing position and performance of vessels as on 21/4/2010.

Berth no.	Name of vessels	Cargo	L. Port call	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving	Import disch.
J/2	Wisdom	Rice(bag)	Kara	Jssl	19/4	27/4	--
J/3	Asrar-a-mostafa	Rice(bag)	Yang	Cla	15/4	26/4	--
J/4	Comatce Star	Gl(st. Coil)	Sing	Barwil-qc	17/4	25/4	--
J/5	An Yue Jiang	Gi	--	Cosco	18/4	26/4	--
J/6	Merkur Lake	Cont	Col	Pssl	20/4	22/4	--
J/7	An Hua Jiang	Gi	--	Cosco	19/4	25/4	--
J/11	Kota Rakyat	Cont	Sing	Pil(bd)	19/4	23/4	--
J/12	Hansa Commodore	Cont	P. Kel	Seacon	20/4	23/4	--
Ccl/1	Kuo Hsiung	Cont	P. Kel	Everbest	18/4	--	--
Ncl/3	Banga Biraj	Gi	P. Kel	Bdship	14/4	26/4	--
Ncl/4	Banglar Mamata	Feldspar	P. Kel	Bsc	1/4	30/4	--
Ncl/5	C. utopia	Idle	P. side	Uml	13/10	--	--
Gsj/	Fountain-5	Wheat(g)	Mers	Litmond	30/3	23/4	--
Rm/3	Wappen Von Dresden	Lube Oil	P. Kel	Ecsi	18/4	21/4	--

Outside port limit

Express -16	Surv. Vessel	Sing	lbsa	R/a (27/2)
Haibao-5	Survey Vessel	China	lbsa	R/a (18/2)
Express -29	Surv. Vessel	Sing	lbsa	R/a (12/4)
Angel Pearl	Wheat(p)	Vanc	Total	19/4
Nord Strait	Gas Oil(mogas)	Sing	Pride	19/4

Vessels not ready

Maa Samuda Khatun	Wheat(g)	Novo	Srsl	28/3
Great Calm	Wheat(g/p)	--	Ossship	05/4
Vera-1	Y. Peas	Vanc	Total	12/4
Aeolos	Wheat(g)	Liche	Park	17/4
Akili	Wheat(p)	P. Rupe	Rysl	18/4

Vessels awaiting employment / instruction

Banga Lanka	Cement(bag)	--	Baridhi	R/a (4/4)
Banglar Gourabh	--	--	Bsc	R/a (1/5)
Banglar Urmil	--	--	Bsc	R/a (3/7)
Sulu Wind	--	Sing	Rsship	R/a (28/7)
Banga Borak	Wld Cont	--	Baridhi	R/a(24/11)

Vessels due at outer anchorage

Name of vessels	Date of arrival	L. Port call	Local agent	Type of cargo	loading ports
Ym Kwang Yang	21/4	Pkl	Tml	Cont	Sing
Mcc Singapore	21/4	Ptp	Mbdl	Cont	Tanj
Oel Freedom	23/4	--	Pssl	Cont	Sing
Phuc Hai Moon	22/4	--	Bsl	C. Clink	--
Xiang Jiang	22/4	--	Cosco	Gi	--
Kamee	22/4	--	Marwa	Scraping	--
Fany	22/4	Vanc	Elite	Wheat/y.peas	10000 W/lt
Kota Rakan	21/4	Sin	Pil(bd)	Cont	Sing
Siempre Adorado	22/4	Lagos	Rsship	Scraping	--
Al Farabi	22/4	Sing	Sigma	Scraping	--

Positions of Chittagong port vessels in line with a berthing sheet of CPA provided by

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