

Asian shares rise

AFP, Hong Kong
Japan on Wednesday waded into the currency markets after the yen struck a fresh 15-year high against the dollar, while upbeat economic data out of the United States helped most Asian stocks higher.

The surprise move by the government in Tokyo -- the first since 2004 -- sent shares on Japan's Nikkei index soaring as the yen tumbled against the dollar.

Stocks jumped 2.34 percent, or 217.25 points, to 9,516.56 after sitting in negative territory early on as the yen wore on against the dollar.

The Japanese unit tumbled to 85.39 against the greenback later Wednesday after jumping to 82.86 a day after Prime Minister Naoto Kan saw off a leadership challenge amid claims he was not doing enough to curb the currency's rise.

Osaka Securities strategist Hideyuki Ishiguro said the timing was a surprise for dealers who had bet on the yen to rise and stocks to fall after Kan's poll victory as he was considered less willing to step into the markets.

Sydney gained 0.76 percent, or 35 points, to 4,661.5 while the Australian dollar hit pre-crisis levels against the greenback, touching 94.57 US cents.

Hong Kong was 0.14 percent higher, adding 29.60 points to close at 21,725.64 but Shanghai slipped 1.34 percent, or 36.02 points, to 2,652.50.

Sentiment was clouded after a German sentiment indicator, based on a survey of analysts and institutional investors, plunged 18.3 points to minus 4.3 points, its fifth monthly drop in a row and the lowest since February 2009.

Singapore closed up 0.73 percent, or 22.38 points, at 3,071.03.
Jardine Cycle and Carriage surged 1.98 percent to 38.12 Singapore dollars and Singapore Telecom climbed 0.99 percent to 3.07.

Seoul rose 0.48 percent, or 8.63 points, to 1,823.88.
Taipei rose 0.38 percent, or 31.22 points, to 8,163.82, dealers said.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing edged up 0.33 percent to 61.2 Taiwan dollars while MediaTek, the island's leading IC design house, was 1.44 percent lower at 478.0.

Jakarta, which reopened after a week-long holiday, soared 3.90 percent, or 126.14 points, to 3,357.02.

Bank Negara Indonesia rose 8.84 percent to 4,000 rupiah, car distributor Astra International jumped 8.04 percent to 57,800 and state-owned miner Aneka Tambang increased 4.71 percent to 2,225.

Kuala Lumpur closed down 0.10 percent, or 1.49 points, at 1,472.95.
Fast food giant KFC lost 3.90 percent to 3.17 ringgit, property developer Bandar Raya Developments shed 2.70 percent to 2.18 and low-cost carrier AirAsia gained 2.10 percent to 1.96.

Manila closed 0.13 percent, or 15.91 points, higher at 3,973.48.
Philippine Long Distance Telephone rose 1.4 percent to 2,498 pesos and geothermal power producer Energy Development added 2.1 percent to 5.78 but Metropolitan Bank & Trust shed 1.1 percent to 73.3.

Bangkok ended flat, dropping just 0.29 points to 921.10.
Mumbai rose 0.80 percent, or 155.15 points, to 19,502.11.



Mehboob Chowdhury, chief executive officer of Citycell, and Ali Reza Iftikhar, managing director of Eastern Bank Ltd, ink a deal in Dhaka recently. With the agreement, Priority and Platinum cardholders of the bank will enjoy exclusive service Ultra, the mobile broadband from Citycell.

Oil lower

Crude prices fell in Asian trade Wednesday following news that repairs to a key pipeline carrying oil from Canada to the United States were almost complete, analysts said.

New York's main contract, light sweet crude for delivery in October, fell 51 cents to 76.29 dollars a barrel. Brent North Sea crude for October delivery slipped five cents to 79.11 dollars.

"The fall in oil prices came after Enbridge said that repairs to its key Line 6A Canadian-US pipeline were nearly complete," the Commonwealth Bank of Australia said in a report.

Currency

Table showing Wednesday's forex statement by Standard Chartered Bank. Major currency exchange rates (BC Sell, TT Buy) and Exchange rate of some currencies (Per USD, BDT per Currency).

Local Market FX

USD/BDT rates ended the day at a similar range to yesterday.

Money Market

Call money rates fluctuated mostly around 6 percent.

International Market

The dollar jumped more than two yen from a 15-year low after Japan intervened to sell yen for the first time in six years, but with key chart levels yet to break, traders were skeptical the impact would be lasting.

Shipping

Chittagong Port

Table showing Berthing position and performance of vessels as on 15/09/2010. Columns include Berth No., vessels, Cargo, L Port, Loca, Date of arrival, Leaving, and Import Disch.

Vessels Not Ready:

Table listing vessels not ready, including Asrar-A-Madina, Al-Mostafa, Star Sea Breeze, Beagle-II, and Stx Begonia.

Vessels Awaiting Employment / Instruction:

Table listing vessels awaiting employment, including Bangla Lanka, Banglar Gourab, and Banglar Umi.

Vessels not entering:

Table listing vessels not entering, including Jebel-E-Rahmat, Pacific Bang Jiang, and Rosy Falcon.

Vessels due at outer anchorage:

Table listing vessels due at outer anchorage, including Mu San, Ks Hope, and Hm Challenge.

Triumphs of Chittagong Port vessels in line with a Berthing Sheet of Cpa Provided by P&I

STOCK

Market Highlights

Table showing market highlights for September 15, 2010, including DSE All Share Index, DSE General Index, CSE All Share Index, and CSE Selected Index.

Table showing indicators for DSE and CSE, including Total Turnover (Taka), Total Turnover (Volume), Number of Contract, and Total Traded Issues.

Turnover Leaders

Table showing turnover leaders for various companies, including Lankabanka Fin., BEXIMCO Ltd., and Alfab Auto.

Capital Gainers/Losers

Table showing capital gainers and losers, including Niloy Cement, Niloy Stoppers, and Salko Spinners.

Dividend/RD BC/IO

Table showing dividend and RD BC/IO information for various companies, including Midea Financier, Prime Bank, and Moksos Financier.

News from Trade Services

KARNAPHUL: The Company has determined that it has decided to fix Record date on 15.10.10 for fixing effect of change in share value (face value) from Tk. 10.00 to Tk. 10.00 each as well as Market Lot from 20 to 100 shares.

COMPANIES

Table listing various companies and their market performance, including AB Bank, BDF Bank, and City Bank.

TRADED ISSUES

Table listing traded issues for various companies, including BDF Ltd, Bangladesh Bank, and JICA Ltd.

FUEL & POWER

Table listing fuel and power market data, including BDF (BD) Ltd, Bangladesh Bank, and JICA Ltd.

JUTE

Table listing jute market data, including Jute Spinning, Jute Textiles, and Jute Products.

RAK

Table listing RAK market data, including RAK Cement, RAK Industries, and RAK Insurance.

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