

Inflation will not sway ECB

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The European Central Bank's key concern, inflation, shows no sign of abating but that is unlikely to push policymakers into an early interest rate hike given wider concerns over the economic outlook, analysts say.

"Despite the tough talk, we think that concerns about an early rate hike are overblown and we believe that the ECB will likely stay on hold until next year," Morgan Stanley economist Elga Bartsch said in a research note.

It takes a harder line to counter expectations that inflation of 2.4 percent might spike higher, markets think the bank's key interest rate will stay put at 1.0 percent, with September often cited as a probable date for an increase.

"He is unlikely to go as far as preparing the ground for an imminent hike in interest rates" during a press conference that follows the rate decision on Thursday, said Ben May at Capital Economics.

The ECB will also release its latest staff forecasts for inflation and growth, and the revised inflation outlook for 2012, currently 1.5 percent, should give a clearer idea of when interest rates might begin to rise.

On Friday, the central bank said growth in its M3 money supply indicator had eased a bit, suggesting severe inflation pressure had not built up.

Eurozone manufacturing and

service activity climbed this month to levels last seen in July 2006 but growth is uneven across the 17-nation bloc and the ECB has kept low lending rates so as to help the recovery and debt-burdened countries such as Greece, Ireland and Portugal.

"The ECB might be reluctant to tighten monetary policy in case it pushes the peripheral economies back or deeper into recession," May said.

But Trichet could announce changes to liquidity programmes, possibly indicating a move away from offering unlimited, three-month funds so as to wean dependent commercial banks off what was meant to be a temporary measure.

The central bank also has an eye on the next round of European Union bank stress tests that will be tougher than a now discredited exercise held last year.

"Ideally, the ECB would want to get the planned bank stress test -- and the policy action in terms of bank restructuring and bank recapitalisation that it will hopefully bring -- out of the way before starting to tighten monetary policy," Bartsch said.

The ECB has downplayed the longer-term effects of higher energy and food prices but clashes in Libya have pushed oil back to highs near \$120 a barrel, the highest level since August 2008.

That could pose a challenge to Trichet's handling of the inflation threat.



CSE

Nasiruddin Ahmed Chowdhury, director of Chittagong Stock Exchange, attends a training programme for CSE compliance officers at CSE conference hall in the port city on Thursday. Mohammed Abdullah Mamun, chief executive officer, was also present.



IBBL

Mohammad Farashuddin, former governor of Bangladesh Bank, hands the prize of Best Rated Bank, declared by an economic weekly The Industry, to Mohammad Abdul Mannan, managing director of Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd, at a programme at National Press Club in Dhaka yesterday.

Shipping

Chittagong Port

Berthing position and performance of vessels as on 27/2/2011.

Berth No.	Name of vessels	Cargo call	L. Port	Local agent	Date of arrival	Leaving Import disch.
J/2	Min Jiang	Gl	S.hai	Cosco	23/2	4/3 1445
J/3	Unico Anna	Wheat(p)	Karaci	Pol	21/2	5/3 --
J/4	Atlantik Pride	Rice(bag)	Hochi	Uni Ship	19/2	1/3 --
J/5	Banglar Kallol	Wheat(p)	Karaci	Bsc	14/2	4/3 --
J/6	Mcc Melaka	Cont	Ptp	Mbdl	25/2	1/3 357
J/7	Golden Light	Rice(bag)	Hochi	Uni Ship	19/2	2/3 1667
J/8	Ryu Gyong	Rice(bag)	Hochi	Uni Ship	22/2	2/3 1807
J/9	Sinar Bintan	Cont	P.kel	Ipl	24/2	27/2 191
J/10	Cristina A	Cont	Col	Seacon	25/2	1/3 702
J/12	Vision	Cotn	Sing	Mbdl	24/2	27/2 77
J/13	Hansa Centaur	Cont	Sing	Seacon	24/2	--
Cct/1	Ocean Probe	Cont	P.kel	Pssl	26/2	1/3
Cct/3	Carla Rickmers	Cont	P.kel	Rsl	24/2	1/3
Nct/1	Tampa Bay	Cont	Col	Seacon	26/2	1/3
Nct/3	Lord Curzon	Gl(st. Bill)	Lumot	Wss	22/2	28/2 --
Nct/4	Suchada Naree	Wheat	Qasim	Pol	13/2	26/2 --
Nct/5	Ramsi	C. Clink	Kohsi	Litmond	16/2	27/2 --

Vessels not ready

BK Ace	Wheat(g)	Bulg	Seacom	9/10
Surreal	Wheat/Rice	Karachi	Seacon	20/2
Banglar Maya	Rice(bag)	Yang	Mariners	22/2
Bright Eagle	Rice(bag)	Qasim	Uni Ship	23/2
Brave Royal	C.clink	Kohsi	Brsi	24/2
Banga Bodor	Cont	P.kel	Bdship	25/2
Hong De	C.clink	Sing	Psal	25/2
Trans Ocean	Wheat	Qasim	Total	25/2

Vessels awaiting employment/instruction

Banga Lanka	Cement(bag)	--	Baridhi	R/A(4/4)
Banga Borak	--	--	Baridhi	R/A(24/11)
Banga Barta	--	Ctg	Bdship	9/11
Banga Bijoy	--	Sing	Baridhi	R/A(22/2)
Banga Borti	--	P.kel	Bdship	R/A(1/5)
Phuc Hai Star	--	Honga	Asli	27/9

Vessels not entering:

Jebel-e-Rahmat	C. Clink	Kotab	Intraport	6/4
Ocean Pearl	Urea	V. Tai	Litmond	3/9
Devprayag	Slag	Sing	Sstc	13/2
Miltiades	Urea(bag)	Mesai	Hsl	13/2
Amshr	C. Clink	Kant	Litmond	17/2
Shen Ming Hong 7	C. Clink	Bukp	Sstc	19/2
Gulf Safwa	Urea	Mesai	Hsl	20/2

Vessels due at outer anchorage

Name of vessels	Date of arrival	L. port call	Local agent	Type of cargo	Loading ports
Pioneer Third	27/2	Hald	Tmml	Wild M. Scale	--
Western Traveller	27/2	Yang	Pml	Log/Hardwood	--
Northern Harmony	27/2	Sin	Apl	Cont	Sin
Michalakis	27/2	Sang	Psal	C. Clink	--
Isa Glory	27/2	Tarj	Bsl	C. Clink	--
Pola Atlantic	27/2	Honga	Mmr	C. Clink	--
Hong Kong Star	27/2	Krabi	Sstc	Gypsum	--
Hae Song	28/2	Yang	Uni Ship	Rice	--
CTP Fortune	28/2	--	Ipl	Cont	Sing

Positions of Chittagong Port vessels in line with a berthing sheet of the CPA provided by HRC

STOCK

Relative Strength Index (14) Report 27-Feb-2011

Company	CloseP	Dev.	RSI	Company	CloseP	Dev.	RSI	Company	CloseP	Dev.	RSI
BANK								PAPER & PACKAGING			
UCBL - A	75.50	-8.20	19.75	Monno Stafflers -A	2095.50	-103.25	26.82	Hakkani P& Paper -B	37.30	-2.40	31.49
Uttara Bank - A	97.10	-7.70	21.08	BD. Autocars -B	300.50	-15.50	27.83	SERVICE			
Prime Bank -A	54.70	-3.40	22.35	Monno JuteX -A	2400.00	0.00	27.96	Eastern Housing -A	648.50	-52.50	26.28
National Bank -A	66.30	-7.30	25.04	BD. Thai Alum -A	675.25	-54.75	29.25	Samorita HospitalA	1077.75	-71.75	30.05
MutualTrust Bank-A	329.75	-99.50	26.59	Aftab Auto.-A	191.20	-18.30	29.26	Summit A. Port.-N	98.90	-9.80	33.83
AB Bank -A	962.00	-63.00	29.01	Kay & Que (BD)	A-276.00	-25.50	30.1	Ocean Containers-A	90.60	-8.10	35.84
Dutch Bangla B-A	1193.50	0.00	29.55	National Polymer -A	560.00	-29.75	30.45	LEATHER			
Shahjalal Islami -A	48.70	-2.80	29.74	Quasem Drycells -A	65.00	-7.00	31.09	ApexAdelchi Ftr -A	2877.50	-110.25	28.28
IFIC Bank -A	820.00	-62.25	29.92	BSRM Steels-A	1306.50	-87.00	32.01	Apex Tannery -A	1122.00	-58.75	28.85
Brac Bank -A	510.00	-29.75	31.09	Rangpur Foundry -A	76.90	-5.50	33.71	Samata LeatherR -Z	128.25	-13.25	29.48
Rupali Bank -Z	1284.25	-10.75	32.6	Aziz PipesZ	361.00	-34.50	34.9	Legacy Footwear -Z	27.50	-2.70	29.71
Standard Bank -A	362.50	-25.75	33.7	Atlas BD-A	269.60	-6.30	36.07	Bata Shoe Ltd. -A	485.80	-5.10	36.05
Mercantile Bank -A	342.50	-17.75	33.85	Navana CNG-A	134.40	-11.80	37.7	CERAMIC			
City Bank -A	592.00	-41.50	34.1	Golden Son -A	63.90	-4.30	38.43	Monno Ceramic -A	534.25	-43.25	23.83
ICB Is. Bank-Z	13.30	-0.60	34.16	Eastern Cables-B	569.50	-25.50	38.57	RAK Ceramics(BD) Ltd-N92.70	-8.90	30.78	
Trust Bank-A	462.00	-29.25	34.17	Deshbandhu Polymer-N56.10	-5.00	40.35	Fu-wang Ceramic-A	311.00	-29.25	33.16	
Southeast Bank-A	364.25	-21.25	34.26	FOOD & ALLIED				Shinepukur Cera-A	72.60	-5.40	38.82
N C C Bank -A	45.20	-3.00	35.52	Bangas -A	970.75	-63.00	19.16	Standard Ceramic -B439.50	-31.25	41.72	
Jamuna Bank -A	35.30	-2.40	36.18	Chittagong Veg.-A	2488.75	-128.50	23.95	CEMENT			
Pubali Bank -A	64.50	-4.70	36.34	Rahima Food -A	295.75	-25.50	24.83	Aramit Cement -A	882.50	-61.00	25.69
Al Arafah Islami B-A	40.70	-2.80	36.75	AMCL (Pran) -A	1152.00	-54.25	29.82	LafargeS Cement-Z	344.00	-25.00	29.96
EXIM Bank-A	42.10	-1.80	37.97	Apex FoodsA	709.00	-33.25	30.1	Meghna Cement -A	172.70	-17.10	30.50
Premier Bank -N	43.20	-4.70	37.99	Fu-Wang Food A	38.40	-4.10	30.36	HeidelbergCement -A2741.50	-137.75	33.55	
One Bank -A	746.50	-56.00	38.36	Beach Hatchery -A	56.10	-6.10	32.25	ConfidenceCement A183.70	-17.20	33.7	
First Secu. Bk-A	28.20	-1.40	38.51	Shampur Sugar -Z	13.30	-0.50	33.27	IT INDUSTRIES			
Social Invest. B-A	38.80	-3.80	38.85	Meghna PET Ind. -Z	15.40	-1.60	33.43	BDLDC Online-A	30.40	-3.20	32.91
Islami Bank -A	582.50	-17.00	39.14	Meghna Con. Milk -B	37.20	-3.50	33.9	ISN Ltd. -A	27.10	-1.60	34.53
Eastern Bank -A	86.30	-6.60	39.94	National Tea -A	4650.00	-160.25	35.37	In Tech Online -A	24.00	-2.60	34.85
Dhaka Bank -A	56.90	-3.90	41.77	Fine Foods Z	55.50	-5.30	35.78	Agni Systems -A	37.20	-2.80	36.24
Bank Asia -A	693.00	-38.75	41.95	BATBCL -A	588.70	-27.90	39.81	Daffodil Comp.-A	22.90	-1.40	36.42
NBFI				Zeal Janaka Sugar -Z	16.50	0.70	41.09	GENERAL INSURANCE			
Delta Brac HFCL-N	1561.00	-97.25	28.31	GeminSeaFood A	1832.50	4.25	54.86	Islami Ins.BD-Z	372.75	-24.25	14.79
Premier Leasing-A	669.25	-54.00	29.93	FUEL & POWER				Rupali InsurA	96.80	-10.10	15.35
Phoenix Fin.-A	1315.75	-86.75	30.75	Bangladesh Welding -A60.10	-6.60	24.39	Peoples Insur -A	49.10	-3.90	20.43	
Midias Financing-A	1104.75	-72.50	31.12	Eastern Lubricants -A440.00	-21.60	26.9	Prime Insur -A	92.00	-10.20	20.8	
I P D C -A	372.00	-35.50	31.14	Jamuna Oil -A	205.40	-9.20	30.43	City G Insu.-A	71.00	-3.50	21.14
National H Fin.-N	764.50	-58.50	32.15	Padma Oil Co.-A	520.70	-32.40	32.26	Phoenix Insur -A	74.90	-8.30	22.03
Fidelity Assets-A	503.00	-37.75	32.74	Titas Gas A	678.75	-31.00	32.53	Eastern Insur-A	685.75	-43.00	25.06
B I F C -A	689.75	-49.00	33.82	DESCO Ltd. -A	1437.00	-71.50	32.94	Pragati Gen. I -A	906.00	-54.25	26.21
Financial Finance-A	566.75	-44.75	34.42	Meghna Petroleum -A155.20	-1.50	34.2	Nitol Insurance -B	518.25	-36.75	27.5	
Bay Leasing-A	2004.50	-105.25	35.09	Power Grid Co. -A	664.75	-15.00	34.23	Continental Insur. -A	373.50	-27.25	27.53
United Leasing -A	1174.50	-77.75	35.27	Khulna Power-A	78.50	-4.10	36.22	Takaful Islami Insu-A579.75	-45.75	27.93	
LankaBangla Fin. -A	345.30	-31.10	36.16	Summit Power -A	97.70	-2.00	37.1	Mercantile Insur -A	685.75	-49.75	28.25
BD Finance-A	153.40	-16.90	36.75	BOC (BD) Ltd. -A	529.00	-25.60	39.38	Janata InsurA	1153.50	-75.50	28.28
Uttara Finance -A	237.90	-22.60	36.9	JUTE				Central Insur -A	585.50	-46.00	28.41
First LeaseA	1019.00	-67.75	37.96	Jute SpinnersA	1231.50	-76.50	19.59	NorthernGlnsur-A	426.50	-35.75	28.53
IDLC Fin. -A	3618.00	-345.00	40.88	Sonali Ansh -A	1195.50	-77.75	25.2	United Insur-A	1187.75	-77.50	28.63
People'sLeas.-A	230.50	-21.60	42.68	Northern Jute -Z	37.00	0.00	42.16	AsiaPasificInsu. -A	443.00	-36.75	29.28
Union Capital -A	193.70	-18.50	43.8	TEXTILE				SonarBanglainsu. -A396.25	-36.75	29.56	
Prime Finance-A	350.90	-24.80	44.43	CMC Kamal Tex. -A	45.90	-5.10	20.75	Purabi G Insu.A	1376.00	-85.25	29.76
Intl. Leasing-A	2139.25	-112.50	48.42	Modern Dyeing -Z	350.00	-16.00	22.14	Pioneer Insur -A	1051.25	-51.75	29.86
INVESTMENT				Sonargaon Tex -A	636.25	-49.00	22.49	Provati Ins.-Z	41.75	-28.50	29.91
MBL 1st M. F.-A	8.90	-0.60	0	Safko Spinning-Z	331.25	-31.25	24.81	Standard Insur.-A	413.00	-37.25	30.06
1st BSRS M F-A	1235.00	-66.75	23.17	Prime Textile -A	365.75	-34.75	26.52	Global Insur. -A	448.50	-35.75	30.11
ICB AMCL1stMF-A	488.75	-25.50	28.43	H.R. Textile -A	356.00	-73.00	27.18	Agrani Insur. -A	467.00	-37.00	30.15
Prime Fin. 1st MF-A	18.70	-1.60	29	Tallu Spinning -A	327.75	-31.25	27.23	Paramount Insur-A	405.50	-36.75	30.89
ICB A. IslamicMF-A	283.25	-19.25	29.08	Dulamia CottonZ	175.25	-16.75	27.25	Reliance Insur-A	1037.75	-69.00	31.29
ICB -A	3082.75	-87.25	30.11	Saiham Tex-A	72.50	-8.00	27.66	Republic Insu.-A	463.75	-36.50	31.7
15th ICB M F-A	1900.00	-76.75	30.88	Desh Garmets -B	316.25	-11.25	28.76	Karnaphuli Insur -A	53.50	-3.50	32.17
6th ICB M F-A	580.50	-25.25	31.68	Mithun Knitting -A	968.25	-58.75	28.83	Eastland Insur -A	973.25	-64.75	32.4
Prime 1st 1st MF-A	9.60	-0.90	32.44	Delta SpinnersA	333.75	-29.00	29.12	Federal Insur.-A	124.70	-10.10	32.72
Popular Life 1st M.F.-A	7.70	-0.60	33.33	Beximco Syn-A	381.00	-36.00	31.39	GreenDeltainsu -A	189.80	-18.20	32.86
ICB A. 1st NRB -A	378.00	-16.25	33.43	Rahim Textile A	2044.50	-105.50	31.43	BGIC -A	46.30	-3.30	35.61
Trust Bk 1st MF-A	10.90	-0.30	33.55	Stylecraft -A	5600.00	-166.50	33.41	Dhaka Ins. Ltd.-A	2074.00	-13.50	35.82
PHP 1st M. F.-A	7.80	-0.60	33.83	Apex SpinningA	1465.75	-12.25	33.71	Asia Insu.-A	77.60	5.80	38.28
AIMS First -A	6.89	-0.31	33.92	Dacca Dyeing-A	48.60	-4.10	34.79	LIFE INSURANCE			
ICB A. 2nd NRB -A	172.50	-7.75	34.19	R.N. Spinning-A	67.80	-7.20	34.91	DeltaLifeInsu. -Z	30300.75	-299.75	16.76
IFIL Islamic M.F.1-A	7.90	-0.40	34.34	Anlima Yarn -A	230.75	-22.00	35.2	Sandhani Life -A	248.20	-22.30	21.3
8th ICB M F-A	677.00	-40.00	34.74	Malek Spinning-A	54.20	-4.80	35.81	Popular Life I. -A	366.50	-28.80	21.9
ICB Emp.PMF-A	10.80	-0.50	34.99	Metro Spinning -A	53.90	-2.30	36.41	National Life I -A	4800.00	-186.25	23.75
Grameen MF F-1 A	68.20	-5.30	35.46	Alltex Industries -Z	118.75	-3.75	37.27	Progressive Life A	2362.00	-43.00	29.36
IFIC 1st MF-A	10.70	-0.40	35.52	Alkasons Spin-A	42.20	-3.60	37.37	RupaliLife Ins.-A	2104.00	-100.25	29.85
ICB AMCL3rd NRB MF-A80	0.40	-0.40	35.92	Al-Haj Textile -Z	48.20	-3.90	39.11	Prime Is. Life A	240.40	-22.90	31.04
1st Janata Bank MF-A	8.70	-0.40	35.93	BEXTEX -A	53.40	-2.20	39.25	MeghnaLifeIns. -A	241.90	-22.30	33.11
Green Delta M.F.-A	8.80	-0.30	36.23	Square Textile -A	155.30	-0.50	41.12	Fareast Is. Life -A	256.00	-16.00	34.17
1st ICB M F-A	9699.25	0.00	36.40	PHARMA & CHEMICAL				PragatiLife Insu. -A	3114.75	-159.75	36.95
Grameen1:Sch.2 -A	19.60	-1.50	37.15	Pharma Aids A	1603.25	-94.75	19.77	TELECOM			
AMCL 2nd MF-A	125.25	0.25	37.76	Imam Button -A	254.00	-22.50	26.08	Grameenphone-A	149.80	-12.40	26.85
EBL 1st MF-A	12.80	-0.50	38.80	Lira Infusions-A	3000.00	-97.00	28.96	TRAVEL & LEISURE			
DBH 1st MF-A	11.60	-0.60	38.92	Orion Infusions -A	496.00	-40.00	29.32	UNITED AIR-B	41.90	-3.00	24.01
Phoenix Fin. 1st MF-A12.00	-1.30	42.30		ACI Limited-A	245.90	-19.40	30.55	BD Service-A	11.70	0.00	98.84
AIBL 1st Is. M. F.-A	9.70	0.10	48.31	Berger Paints-A	581.90	-25.20	30.97	MISCELLANEOUS			
4th ICB M F-A	2401.50	0.00	52.60	Renata Ltd. -A	10744.50	-292.25	31.02	Savar Refractories-B457.25	-31.50	21.27	
3rd ICB M F-A	2283.00	0.00	54.91	Beacon Pharma Ltd.-240.10	-3.00	31.31	BSCZ	2416.50	-107.25	26.12	
7th ICB M F-A	1303.25	0.00	56.11	GloaxoSC (BD) -A	743.40	-48.30	31.74	Usmania Glass -A	1245.25	-62.75	29.16
2nd ICB M F-A	3556.50	0.00	56.87	The Ibn SinaA	1188.00	-57.50	31.74	GQ Ball Pen A	132.60	-5.60	30.03
ENGINEERING				Active Fine Chem.-N	57.40	-5.00	32.07	Aramit -A	302.80	-25.50	32.03
Anwar Galvanizing -2254.00	-22.75	24.05		ACI Formu. -A	85.20	-4.60	32.11	Sinobangla Indu B	45.30	-3.80	34.8
Olympic Ind. -A	1239.00	-78.00	24.44	Ambee Pharma -A	322.60	-22.00	33.32	Miracle Industries -B	26.00	-1.80	36.74
Singer BD -A	4996.25	-193.75	24.63	Keya Cosmetics -A	71.30	-4.30	35.97	BEXIMCO Ltd. -A	242.80	-13.50	38.76
S. Alam Steel -A	385.75	-64.00	24.63	Reckitt Benckiser -A	841.30	-35.00	36.48	BOND			
Renwick Jaineswar-B631.00	-50.50	25.65		Square Pharma -A	2972.50	-119.75	36.57	Brac B. 25% C. Bond-N923.50	-23.50	0	
National Tubes -A	927.75	-28.50	25.8	Beximco Pharma -A	102.50	-7.90	36.9	IBLMFPA	971.00	-14.00	47.48
Bangladesh Lamps -A1895.75	-94.00	26.3		Keya Detergent-A	59.40	-4.90	37.8	ACI ZERO Bond-N	787.00	-12.00	47.82
				Marico BD-A	475.70	-8.20	41.3				
				KabsonsChem -A	2679.00	0.00	45.3				