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DSEX	Week-on-week	Gold	As of Friday	MUMBAI	TOKYO	SINGAPORE	SHANGHAI	USD	EUR	GBP	JPY
▲ 1.87%	▲ 1.65%	▲ \$1,315.40 (per ounce)	▼ \$113.18 (per barrel)	▲ 0.15%	▼ 1.39%	▼ 0.23%	▼ 0.11%	BUY TK 77.10	103.24	129.40	0.75
4,409.42	8,401.37			25,099.92	15,095.00	3,271.05	2,036.51	SELL TK 78.10	107.27	133.43	0.78

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## Surcharge slapped on mobile users

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Mobile phone users will have to pay 1 percent surcharge on the price of handsets from the next fiscal year, as per the finance bill passed in parliament yesterday.

Dubbed the surcharge for information and communication technology development, it will be imposed on the price of both imported and locally-manufactured handsets and the amount collected will be spent entirely on education and health.

The surcharge was not present in the proposed finance bill, which also called for a 10 percent duty on handset imports and advance income tax of 3 percent.

In the version passed in parliament, the handset import duty was reduced to 5 percent and the advance income tax feature withdrawn altogether, along with a host of amendments.

Among the amendments was the reduction in advance income tax from the profit made from selling buildings or flats from Tk 90 per square foot to Tk 55.76.

The tax holiday facility for owners of rice bran oil industries and cinema halls outside of Dhaka and Chittagong city corporations has been extended from seven years to 10 years.

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## Yunus, followers vow to combat unemployment

About 1,000 participants from home and abroad celebrate Social Business Day

**STAR BUSINESS REPORT**

Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus and his ardent followers yesterday pledged to wipe out unemployment from the world.

"We vision a world where there will be no unemployed people. The word 'unemployment' will be obsolete," Prof Yunus said at the opening ceremony of the 5th Social Business Day at Radisson Hotel.

He spoke to more than a 1,000 delegates, including 275 international participants from 31 countries that gathered to celebrate the day and find ways to deal with a deepening unemployment crisis that plagues almost every country on the planet.

Each year the world marks June 28 as Social Business Day, to coincide with the birthday of the microcredit and social business pioneer, who turned 75 yesterday.

The day started with Yunus taking the stage to welcome the participants, and the audience applauding as the founder of Grameen Bank read out names of the countries represented at the event.

Apart from the host nation, China had the highest representation to the daylong annual event with 43 delegates, followed by a 32-member team from France and a 35-member team from Taiwan. A 23-member team from India and 26-member team from Japan also attended.

The US, the UAE, Hong Kong, Cambodia, Mexico, Malaysia and Saudi Arabia were also present.

The Kazakh delegation added a new dimension to the event, as the team comprising government officials and researchers was sent by the prime minister of the Central Asian country.

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Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus, fourth from left, and Kerry Kennedy, president of Robert F Kennedy Centre for Justice and Human Rights, third from left, clap during an event to mark Social Business Day, at Radisson Hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

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### Renault, Daimler team up in Mexico

Carmakers Renault-Nissan and Daimler announced Friday that they will join forces to build compact cars in Mexico. The Franco-Japanese and German groups said they would invest \$1.36 billion in the construction of a brand new plant in north-central Mexico.

Production will start in 2017 with Renault-Nissan's Infiniti models and the production of Mercedes-Benz brand vehicles would follow in 2018. -- AFP

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