

Slow growth, Greek crisis, Ebola on menu as IMF, World Bank meet

AFP, Washington

A sluggish global economy, the Greek debt crisis and continuing fallout of the Ebola epidemic will take focus beginning Thursday when top finance officials gather for the World Bank and IMF Spring meetings.

With high unemployment festering in advanced economies, and emerging countries entering their fifth straight year of slowing growth, how to fire up output and demand is the primary order of business for the world's central bankers and finance ministers in Washington.

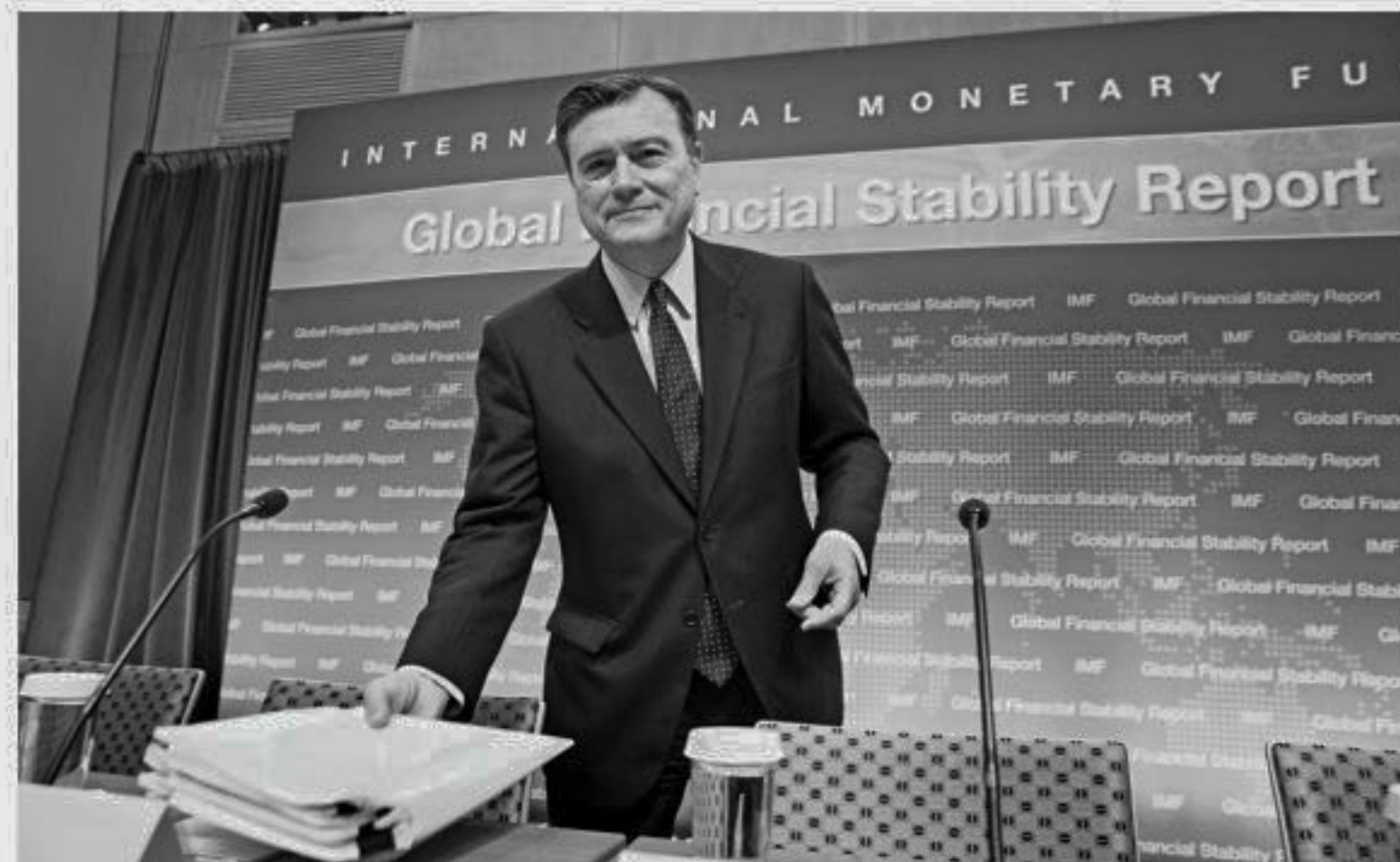
Christine Lagarde, the managing director of the International Monetary Fund, has warned that the world risks sinking into a laconic "new mediocre" which does not lift people's livelihoods.

"In too many parts of the world (growth) is not strong enough. In too many parts of the world, people do not feel it enough," she said last week in a preview of the meetings.

In its update of global prospects this week, the IMF stuck to its forecast of "subdued" growth of 3.5 percent this year, picking up to 3.8 percent in 2016.

But IMF chief economist Olivier Blanchard warned that countries need to commit more effort to investments, especially in infrastructure, and implement market-opening reforms to increase output faster.

"It would be wrong to speak, as some have done, of stagnation, but prospects are more subdued," he said. "And more subdued prospects lead, in turn, to lower spending and



IMF Financial Counselor and Director Jose Vinals sets down his papers prior to his press briefing on the Global Financial Stability Report, at the IMF Headquarters in Washington, DC on Wednesday.

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Lagarde and her World Bank counterpart Jim Yong Kim have already warned middle and low-income countries that they face more financial turbulence ahead, as the US central bank tightens up monetary policy with fresh interest rate hikes later this year.

But Kim will also try to keep the focus on fighting extreme poverty, and is planning a new fundraising effort for long-term relief and rebuilding for the three West African countries savaged by the Ebola epidemic, Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone.

After the World Bank, the IMF and individual governments threw in hundreds of millions of dollars to confront the outbreak last year,

Ebola is now mostly under control, though with a toll of more than 10,000 dead.

Oxfam International is urging the World Bank to raise \$1.7 billion to help countries hit by the epidemic to improve their sanitary infrastructure.

Longer-term efforts are needed to build the capacities of the health care systems in each country to prevent a future outbreak, said Oxfam's Washington office chief Nicolas Mombrial.

"If you don't do anything, it will happen again," he added.

The meetings will remain overshadowed by the impact of turmoil in the Middle East and Ukraine, where the IMF controversially signed off on

its second bailout loan in a year.

Also clouding the discussions will be the showdown between Greece and its EU creditors, with Athens close to defaulting on its massive debt, which could force its split from the eurozone.

That could fuel a new round of turmoil across global markets, many worry.

Greek Finance Minister Yanis Varoufakis will be at the meetings, and even attend a White House commemoration of Greece's 19th century independence struggle, where he could meet with President Barack Obama.

Stopping in New York on Wednesday ahead of the IMF-World Bank meetings, German Finance Minister Wolfgang Schaeuble said no deal had been reached yet between EU and Greek negotiators, but added that he does not expect Greece to leave the eurozone.

On the other hand, twice this week IMF officials said that the European Union has already put up firewalls to minimize the collateral damage of a Greek exit, and that if it does happen, it would be an opportunity for the eurozone to move from currency union to fiscal and political union.

"The rest of the eurozone is in a better position to deal with a Greek exit" than two years ago, said Blanchard.

"If it were to happen, I think the way to reassure markets and make progress is actually go further, use the opportunity to make progress in terms of a fiscal union and a political union."



Norlin Binti Othman, high commissioner of Malaysia; Wan Mohd Ebrahim, Malaysia Airlines' general manager for Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan; and Syed Mohammad Kamal, country manager of MasterCard Bangladesh, attend the signing of an agreement between the companies in Dhaka recently. MasterCard clients buying Malaysia Airlines' tickets to Kuala Lumpur, Langkawi, Penang, Danpasar, Bangkok, Phuket, Krabi, Singapore, Tokyo, Seoul, Jakarta, Manila, Sydney and Melbourne, will get 30-37 percent rebates.



Hafizur Rahman Khan, chairman of Runner Group, and Mozammel Hossain, vice chairman, inaugurate the product display caravan of the group at its corporate office in Dhaka yesterday. Shafiqzaman, managing director of Runner Automobiles, was also present.

BANGLADESH TEXTILE MILLS CORPORATION (BTMC)
BTMC Bhaban
7-9, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215.
Web site: www.btmc.gov.bd, e-mail: btmcho@gmail.com

INVITATION FOR TENDER

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Textiles & Jute.
2. Agency	: Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation.
3. Procuring Entity Name	: Chief Engineer(C/C), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation.
4. Procuring Entity/Employer Code	: Not used at present.
5. Procuring Entity/Employer District	: Dhaka, BTMC Office.
6. Invitation for	: "Vertical Extension of BTMC Bhaban (8 th floor to 11 th floor) and Construction of 5- Storied Car Parking Facility in Adjacent Vacant Land of BTMC".
7. Procurement Method	: Open Tendering Method (OTM) single stage two Envelope systems (Technical & Financial offers are to be submitted in two separate sealed Envelopes).
8. Budget and Source of Funds	: BTMC's own fund and payments for this work are to be made in Bangladeshi Taka.
9. Development Partners(if applicable)	: Not Applicable.
10. Project/Program Code(if applicable)	: Not Applicable.
11. Project/Program Name(if applicable)	: "Vertical Extension of BTMC Bhaban (8 th floor to 11 th floor) and Construction of 5- Storied Car Parking Facility in Adjacent Vacant Land of BTMC".
12. Tender Package No.	: 24.03.0000.101.15(4).106.15
13. Tender Package Name	: Lot-2-Ornamental works of BTMC Bhaban including adjacent car parking Building at 7-9, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215.
14. Tender Last Selling date	: 17-05-2015
15. Tender Closing date & time	: Date: 18-05-2015, Time: 12-00 Noon
16. Tender Opening date & time	: Date: 18-05-2015, Time: 12-30 P.M
17. Name & Address of the Office	: Address: Office of the Chief Accountant, Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban(3 rd level), 7-9, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215 during office hours.
No conditions apply for sell, purchase or distribution of tender documents:	
-Receiving tender documents	: Office of the Chief Engineer(C/C), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban (3 rd level), 7-9, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
-Opening tender documents	: Office of the Chief Engineer(C/C), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban (3 rd level), 7-9, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER:	
18. Eligibility of Tenderer	(i) The minimum period of general experience of the tenderer in the construction of ornamental works shall be 5(five) years. (ii) The minimum specific experience of the Contractor in construction works of ornamental or outside finishing works (A.C.P. work, Curtain wall works, Rustic tiles works & inside Marble/Granite works of the Building). Successfully completed at least 12-storied 02(Two) Building within the last 5(five) years, each with a value of at least BDT.1.00(one) Crore in a single work order, in govt., semi-govt., autonomous bodies or private organization. (iii) In case of the work done under any reputed Private Organization, the certifying authority shall be the owner. (iv) The required average annual construction Turn Over shall not be less than Tk.2.00 (Two) Crore within last 5(five) years. Turnover submitted must be authenticated by concerned Deputy Commissioner of Tax. (v) Payment Certificate of last 5(five) years have to be submitted. (vi) The amount of free funds (liquid assets) & or credit facilities net of other Contractual Commitment of the applicant (Financial Capabilities) shall be minimum BDT.50,000,00 (Fifty Lac). (vii) To attach Tender Documents purchasing money receipt (Original), up to date Trade License, Income Tax Clearance Certificate from the NBR/Concerned office etc. (viii) Other conditions as per Tender Document. (ix) All Certificates and necessary papers will have to be submitted in respective forms as mentioned in the Tender Document.
19. Brief description of works	Ornamental works & Fitting-fixing of Aluminum Window, Marble Stone, Granite, Sun Louver, Aluminum Composite Panel, Rustic Tiles, Pavement Tiles on BTMC Bhaban including Car Parking Building.
20. Price of Tender documents	Tk. 5,000/- (Five thousand) only Non-refundable to be paid through BTMC receipt challan.
21. Lot No. Identification of lot Location Tender Security amount Completion time in weeks / months	02 Lot 02- Ornamental works of BTMC Bhaban including Adjacent Car Parking Building at 7-9, Kawran Bazar, C/A, Dhaka-1215. Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. Tk.15,00,000/- (Fifteen lac) only as earnest money must be submitted along with the tender in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order or Bank Guarantee from any Scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favor of Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation (BTMC), Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. 6(six) month.
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS:	
22. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Md.Anwarul Haque.
23. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Chief Engineer (C/C).
24. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban, 7-9, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
25. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Telephone No. +88-02-8121859 Fax No. +880-2-8114600 e-mail: btmcho@gmail.com
26. The procuring Entity reserves the right to reject or accept all the Tender(s) without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

Early Easter helps Unilever sales jump 12.3pc

AFP, The Hague

Dutch food and cosmetics giant Unilever said Thursday its sales jumped by 12.3 percent in the first quarter to 12.8 billion euros (\$13.6 billion), boosted by favourable currency rates and an early Easter.

"We have had a good start to the year, helped by favourable currency movements but also an improvement in underlying sales," Unilever's chief executive Paul Polman said.

"This despite a continued challenging trading environment in many parts of the world," Polman said in a statement.

Unilever's foods arm including its biggest brand, soup and sauce maker Knorr, performed well and showed "strong sales in the run up to Easter which was earlier this year," the Rotterdam-based Unilever said.

European car sales shift up nearly 11pc in March

AFP, Paris

New car registrations jumped by 10.6 percent in Europe last month, their strongest gain in a year, according to data released Thursday, providing a further signal of recovery in the region's economy.

"All major markets contributed positively to the overall expansion," to 1,604,107 units, the European Automobile Manufacturers Association said in a statement.

Registrations of new cars, a proxy for sales, provide an important indicator of consumer demand and auto manufacturing is a major employer in the economic sector.

The ECB launched a massive 1.1-trillion-euro (\$1.2 trillion) stimulus programme last month to try to lift the anaemic growth rate in the eurozone.

DW & CE (Navy)
Lalasarai Nabik Colony
Mirpur-14, Dhaka-1206

Invitation for Tender

Notice No. 605/BN/2/E/6/72 Dated: 09 April 2015

Military Engineer Services

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Defence.																								
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9. Selling of tender will commence from	: 19 April 2015 (during office hours).																								
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11. Last date and time of submission of tender	: 05 May 2015 at 1200 hours.																								
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