

NRBC Bank deposit accounts cross 20 lakh mark

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NRBC Bank PLC has crossed a major milestone, with the number of its deposit accounts surpassing 2 million.

Over the past year, the number of deposit accounts rose by more than four lakh, accompanied by a notable increase in deposit volumes.

The bank marked the achievement at a recent event, where Md Touhidul Alam Khan, managing director and CEO of NRBC Bank PLC, attended as the chief guest, according to a press release.

Speaking at the event, Khan said the bank has earned customers' trust by meeting the financial needs of people from all walks of life across the country. He added that customers are increasingly choosing NRBC Bank for the safekeeping of their hard-earned money.

He emphasised that fast, simple and service-oriented banking lies at the core of this trust. Khan also expressed gratitude to customers, regulators, sponsors, shareholders, and the bank's officers and employees for their collective contribution to achieving the milestone.

According to information shared at the programme, the total number of deposit accounts stood at 2,036,274 as of the end of December last year.

At the end of December 2024, the number of savings accounts reached 1,633,141, marking a 24 percent year-on-year increase, with 403,133 new accounts opened during the period. Deposit accounts under the bank's shariah-based Al-Amin Islamic Banking grew by 36 percent during the year.



Md Touhidul Alam Khan, managing director and chief executive officer of NRBC Bank PLC, inaugurates a celebratory event marking the bank's achievement at its head office in Dhaka recently.

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Meanwhile, by the end of December 2025, NRBC Bank's total deposits rose by 16 percent to Tk 20,905 crore, up from Tk 18,041 crore a year earlier.

In addition to conventional banking, the bank offers shariah-based Islamic banking services through all its branches and sub-branches.

It currently operates 109 branches and 415 sub-branches across the country.

Mohammad Abdul Qaium Khan, deputy managing director, along with senior executives and branch and sub-branch managers from across the country, joined the event virtually.

Gold slips

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Gold slipped on Thursday as investors booked profits after the yellow metal hit a record in the previous session, while an apparent softer tone from US President Donald Trump on the Federal Reserve chair and Iran also dampened safe-haven demand.

Spot gold was down 0.3 percent at \$4,608.77 per ounce, as of 0652 GMT. Bullion hit a record \$4,642.72 on Wednesday.

US gold futures for February delivery fell 0.5 percent to \$4,613.0.

"Today, we're seeing that gold is down a bit after (Trump) said maybe we're not going to intervene in Iran, staving off safe-haven demand, but the larger story (of the metal's rise) is not going away," said Ilya Spivak, head of global macro at TastyLive.

With Iran's leadership trying to quell the worst domestic unrest since the 1979 revolution, Tehran threatened US military bases in the region, in an attempt to deter Trump's repeated threats of military intervention.

At the White House, however, Trump suggested he was adopting a wait-and-see posture toward the crisis.

Meanwhile, the president said on Wednesday that he has no plans to fire Fed Chair Jerome Powell, despite the Justice Department criminal investigation, but added it was "too early" to say what he would ultimately do.

Pubali Bank organises business conference



Monzur Rahman, chairman of Pubali Bank PLC, inaugurates the bank's "1st Business Conference 2026" for regional and corporate branch managers at the bank's head office in Motijheel, Dhaka yesterday.

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Pubali Bank PLC yesterday organised its "1st Business Conference 2026" for regional and corporate branch managers at the bank's head office in Motijheel, Dhaka.

Monzur Rahman, chairman of Pubali Bank PLC, inaugurated the conference as the chief guest, according to a press release.

In his speech, Rahman instructed bank officials to conduct banking activities in the current situation by strictly following the rules and regulations of Bangladesh Bank and other regulatory bodies. He also urged them to ensure that there is no deviation from banking policies.

Azizur Rahman, director of the bank, was present as a special guest.

Mohammad Ali, managing director and CEO of the bank, presided over the conference. In his address, Ali emphasised the need for the banking sector to accelerate economic activities amid the current global economic situation.



Md Amanullah Aman, chief executive officer of Famous Specialised Hospital Limited, and Md Abdullah Al Mamun, deputy managing director of Al-Arafah Islami Bank PLC, pose for a photograph after signing the memorandum of understanding at the bank's head office in Dhaka on Wednesday.

PHOTO: AL-ARAFAH ISLAMI BANK

Jamuna Bank holds annual business conference

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Jamuna Bank PLC recently held its "Annual Business Conference 2026" at a hotel in Dhaka.

Md Belal Hossain, chairman of Jamuna Bank PLC, inaugurated the conference as the chief guest, according to a press release.

The bank awarded top performing branches, sub-branches and divisions with the "Chairman's Award 2025", along with certificates for outstanding overall business growth.

Nur Mohammed, chairman of the bank's Executive Committee and Jamuna Bank Foundation; Kanutosh Majumder and Md Ismail Hossain Siraji, directors; and M Murshidul Huq Khan, an independent director, attended the programme.

Mirza Elias Uddin Ahmed, managing director and chief executive officer of the bank, presided over the event.

The conference reinforced Jamuna Bank's commitment to innovation, excellence and sustainable progress, cementing its status as a leading financial institution, the release added.



Md Belal Hossain, chairman of Jamuna Bank PLC, inaugurates the bank's "Annual Business Conference 2026" at a hotel in Dhaka recently.

PHOTO: JAMUNA BANK

Southeast Bank donates to NSTU for agri research



Prof Mohammad Ismail, vice-chancellor of Noakhali Science and Technology University, receives a cheque for financial assistance from MA Kashem, chairman of Southeast Bank PLC, at a hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

PHOTO: SOUTHEAST BANK

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Southeast Bank PLC yesterday provided financial assistance to Noakhali Science and Technology University (NSTU) to support agricultural research activities under its special corporate social responsibility (CSR) fund.

MA Kashem, chairman of Southeast Bank PLC, handed over the cheque for financial assistance to Prof Mohammad Ismail, vice-chancellor of Noakhali Science and Technology University, at an event held at a hotel in Dhaka, according to a press release.

The bank said the aid reflects its ongoing commitment to promoting agricultural research and contributing to national agricultural development as part of its CSR initiatives. Senior officials from both organisations were also present at the event.

Star reporter

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office in the capital, while commissioners Md Mohsin Chowdhury, Md Ali Akbar, Farzana Lalrak, and Md Saifuddin were present as special guests.

In the television media category, Tahidul Islam Rana, senior reporter of Independent Television, won the award.

In the same category, Alamgir Hossain, senior reporter of Jamuna Television, and Md Ataur Rahman, former staff reporter of Ekhon TV, received special awards.

In the online category, SM Nuruzzaman Tanim, senior reporter of Risingbd.com, was the winner, while Sayeed Shipon, senior staff reporter at Jago News, and SMA Kalam, senior reporter of Banglanews24.com, received special awards.

However, at the end of the award giving ceremony, the BSEC chairman, in his speech, highlighted the reform activities undertaken by the commission during his tenure, including several rule changes as well as the launch of investigations and punitive measures against stock market manipulators.

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Islamic Subjects:	For General Subjects: Masters or 4 years Honours degree in respective subjects (Bangla/English/Mathematics/Physics/Chemistry) with minimum CGPA-3.00 at all levels.
General Subjects:	Other Qualifications: Hafiz/Hafiza of Al-Quran will be given preference. Fluency in English is a must. Competent to teach in English Medium School. 'O' & 'A' Level with a good score in IELTS will be preferred. Must possess and depict Islamic values/culture.
Salary: 40000/ (Negotiable)	Age: 22-35 years
Accountant/Office Super/Admin in Charge	BA/BSS/BCom or equivalent from a reputed university (Minimum CGPA 2.5 or equivalent). Computer proficiency. Must possess and depict Islamic values/culture.
Salary: 30000/ (Consolidated)	Age: 22-35 years
Office Assistant/Clerk	HSC with minimum CGPA 3.0 or equivalent. Computer proficiency. Must possess and depict Islamic values/culture.
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Deadline to apply: 07 February 2026

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