



Surplus liquidity at banks past Tk 4 lakh crore

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Surplus liquidity in the banking sector surged 45 percent over the past year to cross Tk 4 lakh crore, but the vast majority of the funds are parked in government treasury bills and bonds rather than trickling into private sector credit, according to a central bank report.

The findings were presented at the fourth meeting of the parliamentary standing committee on finance ministry chaired by Brahmanbaria-4 MP Mushfiqur Rahman.

The report by Bangladesh Bank highlighted a stark dichotomy in the financial system: while strong conventional banks hold the lion's share of excess liquidity locked in government securities, several lenders, particularly Shariah-based Islamic banks, continue to face severe liquidity stress.

By the end of August, total liquid assets in the banking system, comprising cash and government securities, reached Tk 4.5 lakh crore, up from Tk 3.1 lakh crore a year earlier.

The country faces no actual "liquidity shortage", the BB said. Instead, higher remittance inflows, positive shifts in foreign exchange reserves, and a gradual revival of depositor confidence have driven up excess liquidity.

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However, cash crunches persist among Shariah-compliant lenders and other weak financial institutions.

To keep fragile banks afloat, the central bank has disbursed Tk 84,945.71 crore in emergency liquidity support (demand loans)

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Long-distance buses are being moved from Mohakhali to a temporary hub in Purbachal as part of efforts to ease congestion around one of the capital's busiest bus terminals. The relocation drive was formally launched on July 15. The photo was taken on Saturday.

Hormuz won't reopen until conditions met

Says Iran after US responds to its proposal

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The Strait of Hormuz will not reopen until seven Iranian conditions set out in a June interim agreement with the US are met, state media reported Iran's parliament speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf as saying yesterday.

Iran presented a proposal during the UN General Assembly under which the Strait of Hormuz waterway could be reopened and normal maritime passage restored within seven days if the conditions were met, with the US replying to this proposal last week via Qatari intermediaries.

"The position of the Islamic Republic of Iran is completely clear and firm, and the Strait of Hormuz will not be opened until our seven conditions, based

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Star RU correspondent hurt in JCD attack

3 other campus journalists among 10 injured

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least 10 people, including four student journalists, were injured last night in an attack by Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal men on Rajshahi University campus.

The attack took place around 8:30pm in front of Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Hall, according to witnesses and journalists at the scene.

The injured journalists are Nur Ahsan Mridul, RU correspondent of The Daily Star and president of Rajshahi University Reporters Unity; Zahidul Islam of Agamir Shomoy; Arifuzzaman Korban of bdnews24.com; and Mainul Islam Raju of Samakal. They were taken to the university medical centre and later moved to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.

Star RU Correspondent Nur Ahsan Mridul pinned to the wall by the throat during the attack. IMAGE: VIDEO GRAB

Witnesses said a group of Chhatra Dal leaders and activists marched from the Transport Market area to the hall around

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Following legal process, political intent equally important

Says Shama Obaed on Hasina's extraditon

UNB, *Dhaka*

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam yesterday said Bangladesh expects India to expedite the ongoing extradition process to bring back accused individuals, including convicted former prime minister Sheikh Hasina, as swiftly as possible, stressing that political intent is equally important alongside

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Road crashes killed 14 a day in Sept: RSF

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A total of 423 people were killed and 674 others injured in 442 road crashes in September -- averaging 14 deaths a day, according to the Road Safety Foundation.

Motorcyclists accounted for nearly one-third of the fatalities (32.86 percent) as 139 people were killed in 154 bike accidents, it said in a report published yesterday.

Pedestrians accounted for another 106 deaths (25.05 percent). Fifty-three drivers and transport workers were also killed.

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Ongoing utility relocation work for MRT Line-1 has been causing severe traffic congestion for months on Pragati Sarani near Jamuna Future Park in the capital's Bashundhara R/A. The photo was taken recently.

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Metro under ground, but chaos is above

Commuters suffer as utility relocation work on Progati Sarani continues to choke traffic

HELEMUL ALAM

On a recent Thursday afternoon, Selim Badsha, a chauffeur, found himself in a fix when he got stuck on the road near Jamuna Future Park in the capital's Bashundhara R/A.

Although he was in a hurry to refuel the car and return to pick up his employer from North South University, 45 minutes later, he could not even make it past the Bashundhara gate.

Ongoing utility relocation work for MRT Line-1 had reduced the road to about one-third of its original width, causing severe traffic congestion.

"This narrow stretch has now turned into a two-way road, causing many vehicles to get stuck here," Badsha said as he struggled to reach the nearest pump in Kuril -- less than 3km away.

Nuruzzaman, an auto-rickshaw driver, said traffic was particularly severe around the Nadda-Jamuna Gate area, with

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সময়মতো পৌরকর পরিশোধ করুন, নগর উন্নয়নে অংশ নিন

রিবেট সুবিধাসহ পৌরকর (Holding Tax) পরিশোধ, সারচার্জ ব্যতীত
ট্রেড লাইসেন্স নবায়ন ও দোকান ভাড়া পরিশোধের মেয়াদ বৃদ্ধি সংক্রান্ত

গণবিজ্ঞপ্তি

ঢাকা দক্ষিণ সিটি কর্পোরেশনের সম্মানিত করদাতাগণের (বাড়ি/ফ্ল্যাট/ইমারতসমূহের মালিক ও ব্যবসায়ীগণের) অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, "রিবেট সুবিধাসহ পৌরকর পরিশোধ করার মেয়াদ" এবং "সারচার্জ ব্যতীত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স নবায়ন ও দোকান ভাড়া পরিশোধের মেয়াদ" ১ (এক) মাস অর্থাৎ ৩১ অক্টোবর, ২০২৬ খ্রিঃ পর্যন্ত বৃদ্ধি করা হলো। এ ক্ষেত্রে-

- ২০২৬-২০২৭ (হাল) অর্থবছরের ৪ (চার) কিস্তি পৌরকর একত্রে পরিশোধ করে হাল অর্থবছরের উপর ১০% রিবেট গ্রহণের সুযোগ রয়েছে।
- বকেয়া পৌরকর পরিশোধ করে শুধু ২০২৬-২০২৭ (হাল) অর্থবছরের উপর ১০% রিবেট সুবিধা গ্রহণ করুন।
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- ঢাকা দক্ষিণ সিটি কর্পোরেশনের মালিকানাধীন মার্কেটসমূহের দোকান ভাড়া সারচার্জ/জরিমানা ব্যতীত পরিশোধ করা যাবে।

উপর্যুক্ত সময়ের মধ্যে বর্ণিত ১০% রিবেট সুবিধা এবং সারচার্জ ব্যতীত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স নবায়ন ও ভাড়া পরিশোধের সুযোগ গ্রহণ করার জন্য সম্মানিত করদাতা ও ব্যবসায়ীগণকে বিশেষভাবে অনুরোধ করা হলো।

আগামী ২৫ অক্টোবর, ২০২৬ তারিখ হতে ২৯ অক্টোবর, ২০২৬ তারিখ পর্যন্ত "ডিএসসিসি কর মেলা" অঞ্চল পর্যায়ে অনুষ্ঠিত হবে।

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