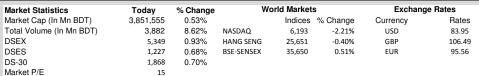
Daily Market Summary

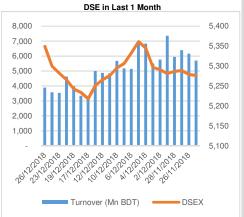
Wednesday, December 26, 2018

INDEX MOVER				
Company	LTP	YCP	IND.CHG	VOLUME
		Positive	impact	
SQURPHARM	253	251	2.41	177,850
BRACBANK	73	72	2.10	743,703
DUTCHBANGL	139	134	1.76	349,750
ICB	118	117	1.74	74,681
MJLBD	100	97	1.68	583,839
		Negative	impact	
UPGDCL	295	299	(2.22)	263,248
KPCL	61	63	(1.42)	2,005,920
SUMITPOWER	38	39	(1.05)	669,914
TITASGAS	36	37	(0.65)	525,900
SPCL	90	92	(0.63)	238,892
YCP = Yesterday Closing Price LTP = Last Trade Price				
DSE in Last 1 Month				



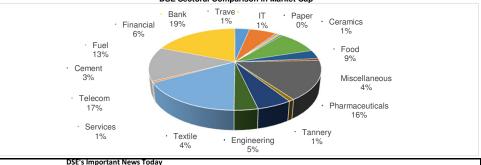
Market Commentry

Today's Market / DSEX (Prime bourse: DSE / Dhaka Stock Exchange Ltd.) ended up 0.93% with 8.62% growth in total turnover. KPCL, BXPHARMA, NATLIFEINS, SAIHAMTEX. SAIHAMTEX stocks dominated today's market turnover. However, SONARGAON was today's best performer having the highest growth of 9.86% from YCP. DSEX reflected a bullish mode throught the day resulting in 221 issues advanced out of 341 total issues traded.









DSE NEWS

Postponement of DSE-Mobile app usage fee

In Reference to earlier news disseminated on 23.12.2018 regarding introduction of monthly fee of Tk. 150.00 for DSE-Mobile App usage, please be further informed that DSE has postponed introduction of the fee until further notice.

ZAHINTEX Category Change

The Company will be placed in 'B' category from existing 'A' category with effect from December 27, 2018 as the Company has approved 3% cash dividend for the shareholders except Sponsors/Directors for the year ended on June 30, 2018.

DSE Holiday for National Election and Trading Suspension for Bank Holiday

Due to 11th National Parliamentary Election of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Trading and Official Activities at DSE will remain closed on December 30, 2018. Moreover, Trading at DSE will also remain closed on December 31, 2018 due to Bank Holiday.

Other News Today

Banks face liquidity pressure before polls - Source: The Financial Express

The country's money market is now facing liquidity pressure following higher withdrawal of cash from the banks ahead of the national polls, bankers said. Some cash-hungry banks have also availed liquidity facilities from the central bank in the form of repo and special repo to meet their growing demand for money, they added. The weighted average call money rate rose to 4.50 per cent on Sunday from 4.08 per cent as on December 13, according to the central bank's latest statistics. The rate was 3.72 per cent a month back. "Cash money withdrawal from the banks ahead of the election has created an extra pressure on the money market," Syed Mahbubur Rahman, chairman of the Association of Bankers, Bangladesh (ABB), told the FE on Tuesday. Mr Rahman, also managing director and chief executive officer of Dhaka Bank Limited, said such pressure may continue until distribution of deposit properly. He also said the bond market should be developed to facilitate the ongoing industrialisation process of the country. "This will, indeed, address liquidity pressure to a great extent." A total of 1,848 candidates are now contesting the December 30 polls across the country, according to the Bangladesh Election Commission. As per electoral rules, each candidate is allowed to expend maximum Tk 2.5 million but not more than Tk 10 for each voter. After four years, a few number of banks received special repo facility worth Tk 3.04 billion with paying 9.0 per cent interest from Bangladesh Bank (BB) on December 17 to meet their liquidity requirements. Earlier on July 31 in 2015, a bank received Tk 300 million as special repo at 10.25 per cent from the central bank. Besides, selling of US dollar directly by the central bank to the commercial banks has also pushed up pressure on the money market in the recent days, they explained. More than Tk 91.96 billion entered the BB's vault in exchange for US\$1097 million sold by the central bank to the banks during the period from July 01 to December 24 this year, according to a BB official. The central bank has resumed offering such support to the banks in recent months by selling the US currency directly to keep the foreign exchange market stable. As part of the move, the BB sold \$20 million directly to two state-owned commercial banks (SoCBs) on Monday to meet the growing demand for the greenback in the market. The central bank also sold \$40 million to the banks last week on the same grounds. The government's higher bank borrowing ahead of the election has also pushed up pressure partially on the market, according to the market operators. "Thanks to the central bank for receiving a substantial amount of money from auctions on both treasury bills and bonds through devolving on the BB," a senior treasury official of a leading private commercial bank told the FE. However, the government has already revised its auction calendar keeping an option for borrowing Tk 30 billion more in December for financing the budget deficit ahead of the polls. Under the revised calendar, net borrowing from the banking system is set to reach Tk 50.50 billion by the end of this month compared with Tk 20.50 billion earlier.