



AT CAPITAL DAILY MARKET UPDATE – July 25, 2017

Overview:

The DSEX closed at 5,801.9 points, up by 3.8 points. Total turnover was worth BDT 6.56 bn. Prices of 138 issues were increased whereas that of 131 issues were declined, and the price of the rests were remained unchanged.

TOP 10 GAINERS			TOP 10 LOSERS		
TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE	TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE
LANKABAFIN	57.0	+1.1%	BDFINANCE	18.8	(3.6%)
BIFC	10.7	+0.9%	ILFSL	15.7	(1.3%)
FIRSTFIN	12.3	+0.8%	FASFIN	16.5	(1.2%)
FAREASTFIN	12.3	+0.8%	IPDC	48.9	(1.0%)
PHOENIXFIN	29.2	+0.7%	PRIMEFIN	13.4	(0.7%)
ICB	189.9	+0.4%	BAYLEASING	27.0	(0.7%)
GSPFINANCE	28.9	+0.3%	MIDASFIN	29.6	(0.7%)
NHFIL	53	+0.2%	UNITEDFIN	21.3	(0.5%)
IDLC	73	+0.0%	UNIONCAP	24.7	(0.4%)
PREMIERLEA	18.4	+0.0%	DBH	113.4	(0.4%)

Index Movements:

INDEX	VALUE	DAY CH(%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)
DSEX	5,801.9	+0.1%	+2.6%	+15.2%
DSES	1,312.3	(0.0%)	+1.2%	+10.1%
DS30	2,124.2	(0.1%)	+1.9%	+17.3%

MARKET STAT		TODAY	LAST DAY	CHANGE(%)
MARKET CAP (Equity)	BDT MM	3,300,801.1	3,298,273.6	+0.1%
	USD MM	41,260.0	41,228.4	+0.1%
TURNOVER	BDT MM	6,561.5	6,313.9	+3.9%
	USD MM	82.0	78.9	+3.9%
VOLUME	MM SHARES	211.4	180.6	+17.1%

Market commentary:

Market experienced intra-day volatility today. DSEX, the broad index, rose sharply at the onset of the opening bell, resulting in an immediate gain of ~25.0 points. DSEX remained sideways for the next trading hour before falling steadily till the end of the session, wiping out the entire morning gain. However, DSEX spiked marginally at the end of the trading session. Market closed the session at 5,801.9, marginally up by 3.8 points.

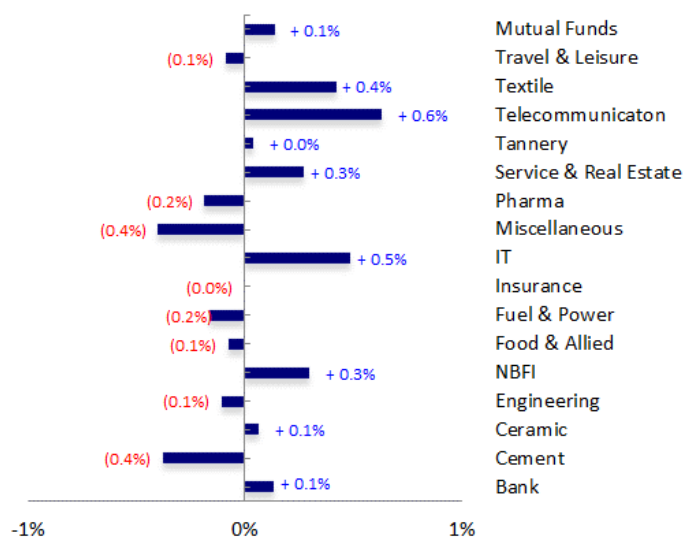
Both losers and gainers were equally dominant today – the ratio was almost 1 to 1.

Turnover increased by 3.9% to BDT 6.56 bn. Bank sector dominated the turnover chart - the sector accounted for 20.6% of total turnover, followed by Textile (15.9%) and, Engineering sector (10.5%).

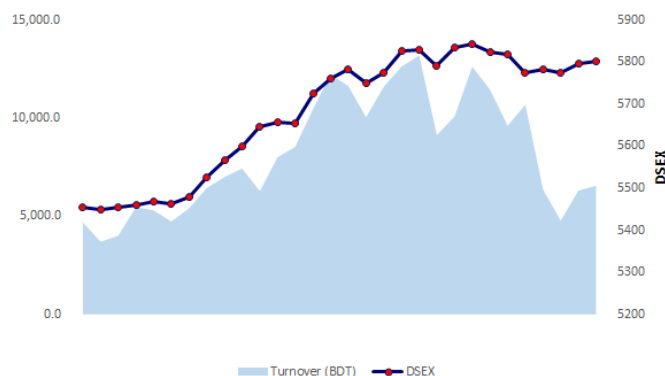
Most of the prominent sectors, except Bank, NBFI, and Telecommunications, underperformed the market today.

City Bank topped the turnover chart today with the turnover of BDT 242mn - the stock gained 1.6%.

Sector Movement in DSE (July 25- July 24)



Last 1 Month DSEX





News:

Another Beximco drug to reach US market

Beximco Pharmaceuticals will now be able to export its methocarbamol tablets to the US market as the Bangladeshi drug maker has received approval from the US Food and Drug Administration. The company's 500mg and 750mg methocarbamol tablets are generic equivalent to muscle relaxant drug Robaxin tablets (500mg and 750mg) from Pennsylvania-based Auxilium Pharmaceuticals, Beximco said in a statement yesterday. This is the fourth abbreviated new drug application (ANDA) approval for the Bangladeshi exporter in the US market and it expects to launch the product in the last quarter of 2017. Once a company gets the ANDA approval, it can manufacture and market the generic drug products to provide safe, effective and low-cost alternatives to the American people. Nazmul Hassan, managing director of Beximco Pharmaceuticals, said: "We are delighted to have our fourth ANDA approved by the US FDA." "I firmly believe this approval and our growing pipeline for the US will largely help us build our presence in the world's largest pharmaceuticals market in the coming years," the statement quoted Hassan as saying. Beximco Pharma became the first Bangladeshi company audited and approved by the US FDA in June 2015. Beximco Pharma currently has a footprint in more than 50 countries and has been accredited by regulatory authorities in the US, Europe, Australia, Canada, the GCC and Latin America.

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Monetary policy may be expansionary

The central bank yesterday held its final round of meetings to lock down an expansionary monetary policy for the first half of the fiscal year. The main aim of the monetary policy -- due to be announced tomorrow -- would be to contain inflation while achieving higher economic growth in line with the budgetary target. The private sector credit growth target may be set between 16.5 percent and 17 percent. In the immediate past monetary policy, the private sector credit growth target was set at 16.5 percent. As of May, credit growth was 16.03 percent. In contrast, the private sector credit growth stood at 16.78 percent in June last year. "In recent times, inflation has been on the rise due to food price spiral -- the new policy will keep an eye on this," said a high official of the Bangladesh Bank, adding that the private sector credit growth goal posts will be shifted much. There will be no changes in policy rates though, he added. The government has set the GDP growth target of 7.4 percent and inflation target of 5.5 percent for 2017-18. The monetary policy must particularly look to contain inflation, which is on an upward trend, due to a rise in food prices, said Mustafizur Rahman, a distinguished fellow of the Centre for Policy Dialogue. He, however, said it will be difficult to contain inflation within 5.5 percent this year. Food inflation almost doubled in the rural areas to 7.2 percent in June this year from 3.44 percent a year earlier. In the urban areas, food inflation was 8.21 percent last month, up from 6.06 percent a year earlier. Inflation rose because of the rice price spiral. In 2016-17 coarse rice price stood at Tk 39.18 per kilogramme on average. It was Tk 45.62 a kg in June, according to data from the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics. In 2015-16, coarse rice price averaged Tk 36.42 per kg. "The central bank's role is minimal in containing food inflation," said the BB official. Even then, the BB has taken a number of steps to make rice imports easier. If required more steps will be taken in future, he said. "Thanks to these steps, rice imports are increasing," he added. Last fiscal year, letters of credit for 6.91 lakh tonnes of rice were opened. Of the amount, 4.37 lakh tonnes were in the month of June alone. The central bank will remain cautious so that credit to unproductive sector does not increase, in order to contain non-food inflation, the BB official said, adding that banks would be encouraged to give more loans to productive sectors, and small and medium enterprises.

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