



AT CAPITAL DAILY MARKET UPDATE – July 23, 2017

Overview:

The DSEX closed at 5,775.6 points, down by 6.9 points. Total turnover was worth BDT 4.78 bn. Prices of 110 issues were increased whereas that of 163 issues were declined, and the price of the rests were remained unchanged.

Index Movements:

INDEX	VALUE	DAY CH(%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)
DSEX	5,782.5	+0.1%	+2.2%	+14.8%
DSES	1,313.7	(0.1%)	+1.3%	+10.2%
DS30	2,121.8	+0.0%	+1.8%	+17.2%

MARKET STAT		TODAY	LAST DAY	CHANGE(%)
MARKET CAP (Equity)	BDT MM	3,289,663.3	3,293,391.9	(0.1%)
	USD MM	41,120.8	41,167.4	(0.1%)
TURNOVER	BDT MM	6,366.3	10,695.9	(40.5%)
	USD MM	79.6	133.7	(40.5%)
VOLUME	MM SHARES	194.2	293.8	(33.9%)

Market commentary:

Market fell in negative trajectory today. DSEX, the broad index, was upbeat in the morning, tried to move upward till the mid-session. Since then, DSEX fell steadily, paring more than the initial gain. Market closed the session at 5,775.6, down by 6.9 points.

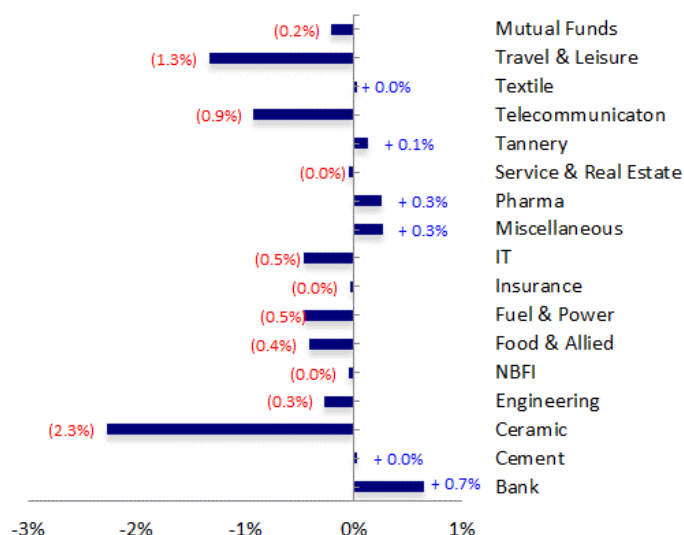
Turnover decreased further today by 24.9% to BDT 4.78 bn. Engineering sector dominated the turnover chart - the sector accounted for 18.0% of total turnover, followed by Textile (14.8%) and, Bank sector (12.9%).

Among prominent sectors, Bank, Fuel & Power, Telecommunications, and Pharma sectors outperformed the market whereas Cement, Engineering, Textiles, and Food & Allied sectors underperformed the market today.

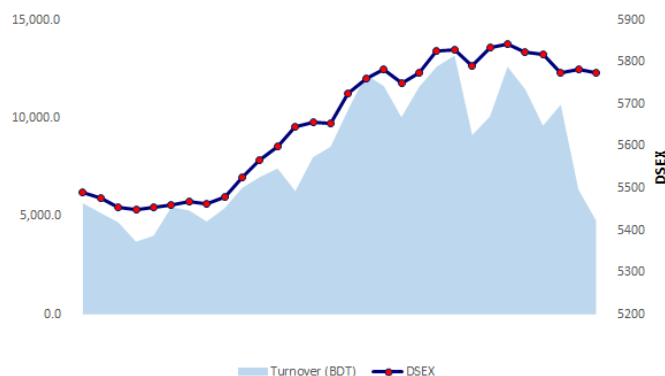
IFAD Autos topped the turnover chart today with the turnover of BDT 225mn - the stock gained 0.3%.

TOP 10 GAINERS			TOP 10 LOSERS		
TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE	TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE
PLFSL	12.5	+8.7%	BIFC	10.1	(5.6%)
PHOENIXFIN	28.5	+5.6%	FAREASTFIN	12.3	(1.6%)
PRIMEFIN	13.6	+3.0%	GSPFINANCE	28.2	(1.4%)
FASFIN	16.8	+1.8%	MIDASFIN	29.6	(1.0%)
ISLAMICFIN	23.8	+1.7%	ICB	190.6	(0.9%)
FIRSTFIN	12.3	+1.7%	BAYLEASING	27.2	(0.7%)
BDFINANCE	19.7	+1.5%	PREMIERLEA	18.7	(0.5%)
LANKABAFIN	55.8	+1.5%	IDLC	73.0	(0.1%)
ILFSL	15.9	+1.3%	DBH	112.6	+0.0%
UNITEDFIN	21.6	+0.9%	NHFIL	51.8	+0.4%

Sector Movement in DSE (July 23- July 20)



Last 1 Month DSEX





News:

Port congestion irks businesses

Business leaders yesterday expressed resentment at the prevailing vessel congestion at the Chittagong port as it is hurting trade as well as the economy. They called for immediate measures to purchase equipment, build new jetties and sort out the shortage of workforce at the Chittagong Customs House to improve the situation. They shared the views at a meeting organised by the Customs House in the port city. They said international buyers are refusing to continue to trade with Bangladeshi garment manufacturers because of the delay in shipment. The acute congestion at the port is pushing the garment sector towards life support from the intensive care unit, said Moinuddin Ahmed, acting president of Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association. Anjan Shekhar Das, a director of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry, said they usually get a month to export items. "But if 15 to 20 days are wasted at the port how could we finish the production in the rest 10 days?" he asked. He alleged that they do not get proper service from the customs officials deployed in the off-docks. "Customs officers are not always available there. Sometimes we need to go to their residence to get the papers signed." Although the Customs House clears the import documents within four to five hours, the port takes two days to deliver the consignment, said AKM Akhter Hossain, president of the Clearing and Forwarding Agents Association. He blamed the delay in shipments on the shortage of equipment. Shahed Sarwar, vice chairman of Bangladesh Shipping Agents Association, said vessels have to wait 10 to 12 days for getting berths in the port jetties. Many ships are also forced to sail out without taking export-bound containers as part of the authority's effort to ease the vessel congestion, Sarwar said. M Khaled Iqbal, chairman of Chittagong Port Authority, said they are working hard to enhance the capacity of the port. He hoped the situation would improve within 10 days. AFM Abdullah Khan, Chittagong Customs House commissioner, said they have already taken steps to provide people with the service round the clock. If needed, the government would include a waiver in public procurement rules to ensure quick purchase of equipment, said Ashoke Madhab Roy, shipping secretary.

<http://www.thedailystar.net/business/port-congestion-irks-businesses-1437370>

US retailers cautious on sourcing expansion from B'desh: study

Bangladesh has slipped to the 7th position from the 5th as an apparel sourcing destination for the United States as US fashion companies deem Bangladesh risky in terms of trade compliance, according to the US Fashion Industry Benchmarking Study revealed on July 20. The survey jointly conducted by the United States Fashion Industry Association and Sheng Lu, assistant professor at University of Delaware, asked 34 executives from the leading fashion and apparel brands, retailers, importers, and wholesalers about the business outlook, sourcing practices, utilisation of free trade agreements and preference programmes, and views on trade policy. Among all sourcing destinations examined this year, the study found Bangladesh as the most competitive in terms of price, but the riskiest in terms of trade compliance. This year, Bangladesh is the 7th sourcing destination with 61 per cent of the respondents sourcing there, while it was 5th (70 per cent) in 2016, the survey said. The survey was conducted in the period between April and May this year. 'The United States demonstrates a competitive edge against other sourcing destinations, whereas respondents say Bangladesh, Cambodia, and India are relatively high risk in terms of compliance,' the report said. Overall, the respondents are cautious about expanding sourcing from Bangladesh in the next two years, with only 32 per cent expecting to somewhat increase sourcing there, and none expecting to substantially increase sourcing there, the report observed. Country's apparel exporters, however, differed with the outcome of the survey saying that Bangladesh made significant progress in factory compliance in last three years. 'There may be some information gap in the respondents' knowledge of Bangladesh's readymade garment sector as the country's RMG sector is closely working with the Alliance for Bangladesh Worker Safety, a platform of North American retailers and buyers, and a good number of Bangladeshi factories have already achieved international recognition in terms of safety and security,' Abdus Salam Murshedy, president of the Exporters Association of Bangladesh, told New Age on Saturday. He said that following the Rana Plaza collapse, exporters were losing their competitive edge due to massive investment in the areas of compliance that caused a fall in export to the US market. The study also said that although US fashion companies continued to seek alternatives to 'Made in China', China's position as the top sourcing destination remained unshakable. Meanwhile, sourcing from Vietnam and Bangladesh may continue to grow over the next two years, but at a relatively slow pace, it said. The study showed that 91 per cent of the respondents sourced from China this year, while it was 100 per cent in the past three studies.

<http://www.newagebd.net/article/20320/us-retailers-cautious-on-sourcing-expansion-from-bdesh-study>