

AT CAPITAL DAILY MARKET UPDATE – May 18, 2017

Overview:

The DSEX closed at 5,399.7 points, down by 30 points. Total turnover was worth BDT 6.35 bn. Prices of 90 issues were increased whereas that of 192 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
ZEALBANGLA	38.7	+ 7.8%	REGENTTEX	28.2	(9.6%)
EXIM1STMF	8.3	+ 7.8%	KAY&QUE	52.3	(7.6%)
ICB2NDNRB	11.7	+ 6.4%	PDL	21.8	(6.0%)
ASIAINS	21.3	+ 6.0%	DULAMIACOT	8.0	(5.9%)
RANFOUNDRY	128	+ 6.0%	FASFIN	16.7	(5.6%)
MERCINS	19.3	+ 4.3%	KOHINOOR	400.9	(5.2%)
MIRACLEIND	46	+4.1%	SEMLIBBLSF	9.3	(5.1%)
PTL	32.7	+ 3.8%	PHOENIXFIN	24.4	(5.1%)
CONTININS	19.9	+ 3.6%	IPDC	39.9	(5.0%)
LIBRAINFU	560.6	+ 3.6%	TUNGHAI	15.9	(4.2%)

Index Movements:

INDEX	VALUE	DAY CH(%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)
DSEX	5,399.7	(0.6%)	(2.2%)	+ 7.2%
DSES	1,255.2	(0.3%)	(1.5%)	+ 5.3%
DS30	1,991.8	(0.5%)	(2.0%)	+ 10.0%

MARKET STAT		TODAY	LAST DAY	CHANGE(%)
MARKET CAP (Equity)	BDT MM	3,069,394.4	3,083,295.7	(0.5%)
	USD MM	39,150.4	39,327.8	(0.5%)
TURNOVER	BDT MM	6,352.3	6,840.5	(7.1%)
	USD MM	81.0	87.3	(7.1%)
VOLUME	MM SHARES	171.4	180.2	(4.9%)

Market commentary:

Downtrend was stretched for another session, pulling down below 5,400 level since February 2017. DSEX, the broad index, charted yesterday's pattern. DSEX remained sideways till the midsession before slid sharply till the end of the session, shelving down more than 30.0 points in a single session. Market closed the session in negative territory at 5,399.7, down by 30 points.

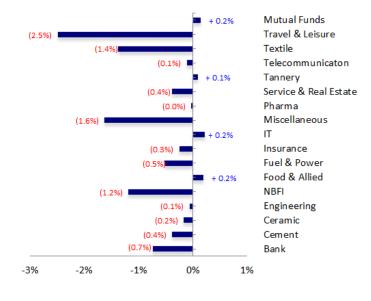
Bears bolstered bulls strongly today – numbers of losers was more than double than that of gainers.

Turnover decreased by 7.1% to BDT 6.35 bn. Engineering sector dominated the turnover chart - the sector accounted for 19.8% of total turnover, followed by Textile (16.5%) and, Bank sector (11.1%).

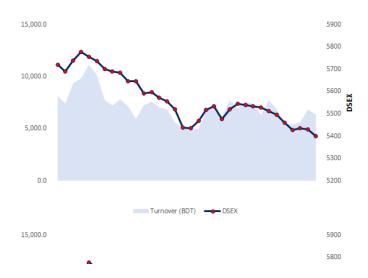
All of the prominent sectors, except Bank, NBFI and Textile, outperformed the market today.

IFAD Autos topped the turnover chart today for the second consecutive session with the turnover of BDT 717mn - the stock gained 1.6%

Sector Movement in DSE (May 18 - May 17)



Last 1 Month DSEX





News:

Global unionists urge EU to probe GSP for Bangladesh

Global rights groups again called on the European Union to investigate Bangladesh's GSP status as it failed to address the commitments regarding labour issues of Sustainability Compact. Citing last December's Ashulia incident, they alleged that that Bangladesh showed anti-union behaviour last year. Industriall Global Union, UNI Global Union and International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) with their European affiliates have evaluated the progress made in line with the Compact ahead of its today's (Thursday) review in Dhaka. Earlier on January 18 last, the groups in a joint letter to the European Parliament made the same call. The Sustainability Compact was signed among the EU, Bangladesh, the US, Canada and the International Labour Organization (ILO) to improve labour rights and factory safety in the garment industry after the Rana Plaza building collapse that killed more than 1,100 workers in 2013. "It is time to initiate a GSP (generalised system of preferences) investigation," the report published this month said. The investigation process is lengthy and provides ample time for the government (Bangladesh) to take the measures necessary to comply with the GSP, said the report. "It does not take time to, e.g., register unions, investigate anti-union dismissals or to extend the Bangladesh Labour Act to the EPZs. It takes political will. We are also confident that EU-based brands, which benefit from the lower tariff on these goods, would become fully engaged in finding solutions, along with trade unions," they said. Despite the sustainability compact and international assistance towards improving industrial relations, the government of Bangladesh has demonstrated that continued dialogue mechanisms have failed and will do little if anything to improve conditions of the more than four million garment workers, the report added.

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China to become biggest investor in Bangladesh with Chevron acquisition

China is poised to become the biggest source of foreign direct investment (FDI) in Bangladesh with an imminent acquisition of US company Chevron's local assets. Chinese envoy in Dhaka Ma Minggiang made this observation Wednesday, adding that China's overflowing funds are also already pouring into Bangladesh via different other offshore sources. "Chinese investment in Bangladesh is already higher than what the official figures suggest," he said at a function of the Foreign Investors' Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) in the city. "This is because a lot of Chinese investment in Bangladesh is coming via Singapore, Hong Kong or the US," he told his business audience. According to the figures of the Chinese ministry of commerce, a total of US\$ 34.3 million was channelled from China into Bangladesh as foreign direct investment in 2016 while, according to Bangladesh government statistics, this figure amounted to US\$ 61 million. The Chinese envoy noted that even if the official figures are taken into account, the Chinese investment in Bangladesh had experienced very high annual growth in recent years. "With a total investment of around US\$ 3.3 billion, the US is still the largest source of FDI in Bangladesh. However, more than US\$2.0 billion of that investment comes from Chevron alone," Ma Minggiang said. "However, with Chevron selling its local assets to a Chinese company, China is poised to become the largest source of FDI in Bangladesh," he projected. In April, US energy giant Chevron announced that it had signed a preliminary deal with Zhenhua Oil, a subsidiary of China's defence industry conglomerate Norinco, to sell its shares in the three gas fields in Bangladesh reportedly valued around \$2.0 billion.

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