



AT CAPITAL DAILY MARKET UPDATE – October 22, 2017

Overview:

The DSEX closed at 6,041.2 points, up by 1.6 points. Total turnover was worth BDT 5.44 bn. Prices of 109 issues were increased whereas that of 181 issues were declined, and the price of the rests were remained unchanged.

Index Movements:

INDEX	VALUE	DAY CH(%)	MTD(%)	YTD(%)
DSEX	6,041.2	+0.0%	(0.8%)	+20.0%
DSES	1,332.3	+0.2%	(0.2%)	+11.8%
DS30	2,189.3	+0.0%	+0.6%	+20.9%

MARKET STAT		TODAY	LAST DAY	CHANGE(%)
MARKET CAP (Equity)	BDT MM	3,459,324.1	3,448,201.2	+0.3%
	USD MM	42,728.8	42,591.4	+0.3%
TURNOVER	BDT MM	5,436.8	6,007.2	(9.5%)
	USD MM	67.2	74.2	(9.5%)
VOLUME	MM SHARES	130.4	150.6	(13.4%)

Market commentary:

Market remained volatile throughout the session, changing the direction several times throughout the entire session. DSEX, the broad index, lost 22.0 points after heading towards upward momentum. DSEX rose again in the second half of the session before moping out the gain. Market closed the session flat at 6,041.2, up by 1.6 points.

Losers were strong today - losers to Gainers ratio was 1.7:1

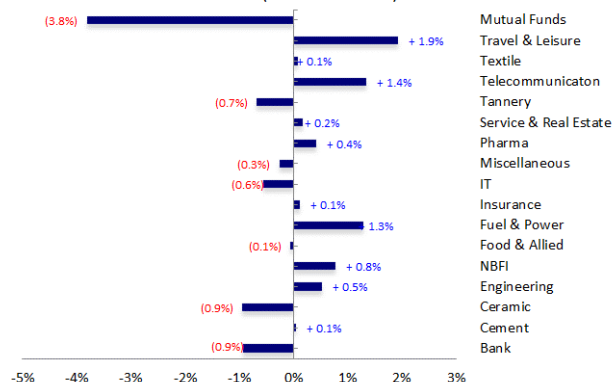
Turnover decreased by 9.5% to BDT 5.44 bn. Bank sector dominated the turnover chart - the sector accounted for 24.4% of total turnover, followed by NBFI (16.4%) and, Engineering sector (15.3%). Turnover of Bank, NBFI and Engineering fell 19.9%, 16.0% and 17.6% respectively.

Most of the prominent sectors, except Bank, Food & Allied sector, outperformed the market today.

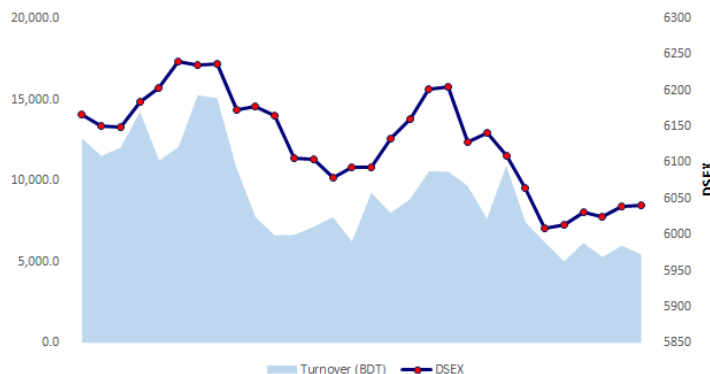
LankaBangla Finance topped the turnover chart today with the turnover of BDT 288mn - the stock remained unchanged.

TOP 10 GAINERS			TOP 10 LOSERS		
TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE	TRADING CODE	CLOSEP	%CHANGE
FASFIN	19.1	+3.8%	NHFIL	47.3	(2.5%)
IDLC	85.5	+2.6%	BIFC	11.1	(1.8%)
ILFSL	23.5	+2.6%	ICB	190.3	(1.0%)
LANKABAFIN	65	+2.5%	UNITEDFIN	23.3	(0.9%)
PRIMEFIN	12.8	+2.4%	MIDASFIN	38.9	(0.3%)
PHOENIXFIN	37.1	+2.2%	UNIONCAP	18.6	+0.0%
BDFINANCE	21.7	+1.9%	PLFSL	14.6	+0.0%
PREMIERLEA	17.5	+1.7%	FIRSTFIN	14.0	+0.0%
GSPFINANCE	29.4	+1.7%	BAYLEASING	26.9	+0.0%
IPDC	43.1	+1.7%	DBH	125.7	+0.5%

Sector Movement in DSE (Oct 22- Oct 19)



Last 1 Month DSEX





News:

Food inflation highest in 38 months

Food inflation increased 55 basis points in September to hit 7.87 percent -- the highest in 38 months -- on the back of the massive production loss of the staple rice. In recent months, rice prices rose to record highs, reflecting the dwindling supplies following flood-induced losses to the main boro crop coupled with reduced production and imports in 2016. About 20 lakh tonnes of boro crop have been damaged, according to the food ministry. In September, coarse rice price in Dhaka city was Tk 52.54 a kilogram in contrast to Tk 34.62 a year earlier, according to data from the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics. In the same manner, fine rice price in September was Tk 62.46 to Tk 66.30, which was Tk 53.90 to Tk 55 a year earlier. According to the latest household income and expenditure survey, the consumption of rice declined but the contribution of the staple is still high in people's total food intake. The average quantity of rice intake decreased to 367.19 grams in 2016 from 416.01 grams in 2010. "It is mention-worthy that rice consumption is gradually decreasing in Bangladesh," said the survey report released last week. However, during the period, consumption of vegetables, edible oil, onion, beef, chicken, egg and fish increased. Still, rice consumption accounted for 38 percent of the total food intake in 2016, which was 41 percent in 2010. Last month, the overall inflation stood at 6.12 percent, up 23 basis points from August, according to data from the BBS. Earlier in August 2014, food inflation was 7.67 percent and gradually decreased to below 4 percent. From January last year, it started to creep up to more than 6 percent, crossing the 7 percent mark in May. In recent months, food inflation in rural areas has been higher than in urban areas. For instance, in September food inflation in rural areas was 7.97 percent and in urban areas 7.63 percent. However, non-food inflation in September stood at 3.44 percent, which is 31 basis points less than in August. In rural areas, non-food inflation was 2.98 percent, and in urban areas 4.08 percent. As the price of food items, especially rice, increased, people's expenditure on it rose, diverting funds from non-food items, according to Zahid Hussain, lead economist of the World Bank's Dhaka office. "This maybe the reason why non-food inflation declined," he added.

<http://www.thedailystar.net/business/food-inflation-highest-38-months-1479967>

Gas crisis affects production at 350 apparel units: BGMEA

Production in over 350 garment factories in Gazipur, Ashulia, Savar and Kashimpur has been severely hampered due to a gas crisis in the last one month or so, exporters said. This is causing the factories to incur losses every day while manufacturers are forced to depend on expensive air shipments to maintain strict lead-times set by international clothing retailers and brands. Some 60 percent of the country's garment factories are located in the Gazipur, Ashulia, Savar, Kashimpur, Dhaka, Mirpur, Uttara, Tongi and Konabari areas. Very often the factory owners complain of an inadequate gas supply. The current crisis arose after two wells of Shahjibazar Gas Field in Brahmanbaria were damaged. "Even a few days ago we have discussed the gas crisis issue with the government high-ups," said Siddiquir Rahman, president of Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) on Friday. "They assured us that they will normalise the gas supply to this industrial belt as soon as possible, but it is not resolved yet," he said. Rahman hurriedly called a press conference to inform about the latest situation in the garment sector and also about the inspection and remediation activities as both Accord and Alliance have already decided to quit the country in their stipulated timeframe of May next year. At the press conference, the BGMEA chief also said although the number of trucks travelling to and from Chittagong port has been increasing 17-18 percent year-on-year, the premier port's capacity remained almost the same over the last 40 years.

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