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Exports Grow 36% YOY in August

Exports fetched USD 4,607 million in August 2022¹



Korea Plans to Raise Soft Loan to USD 3 Billion





- □ Korea has decided to increase the size of Korea's soft loan to USD 3 billion from USD 700 million
- Provided USD 1.34 billion of EDCF concessional loans to Bangladesh for 27 projects
- □ Korea is the 5th major foreign investor for Bangladesh ²





Dutch Company Acquires Petromax LPG

Dutch Multinational SHV Energy has taken over entire stakes at Petromax LPG Ltd and Petromax Cylinders Ltd for more than BDT 1,000 crore

□ Petromax LPG Ltd at a glance:

- Started in 2018
- Ascented to **5**th spot
- 6% market share
- Sales LPG in **12KG** and **35KG** cylinders
- 6500 tonnes storage capacity
- 2 bottling facilities in Mongla and Narayanganj

□ Bangladesh LPG Market:

- Grew 10 folds in the last decade
- Over **13 lakh tonnes** annual demand
- Market to grow to **30 lakh tonnes** by 2030 ³

BDT 40,000 Crore Invested in Housing Sector

- □ The Real estate business has seen a substantial growth in the small district towns outside the major urban areas of Dhaka and Chattogram
- In 2021, about BDT 1,50,000 crore was invested in the housing sector, of which about BDT 40,000 crore was spent on building houses ⁴



VENTURE CAPITAL

Chaldal Raises BDT 5 Crore

- Chaldal, Bangladesh's online grocery startup raised follow on investment of BDT 5 core from Startup Bangladesh Limited
- ❑ Startup Bangladesh has co-led Chaldal's Series C Plus fundraising round with Taavet+Sten, a venture capital firm, and invested BDT 5 crore ⁵

LALAMOVE Enters the Bangladesh Market

- □ Lalamove, the leading on-demand delivery platform, launches operations in Bangladesh
- □ Inception in Hong Kong in 2013
- □ 10 million users and 1.8 million driver partners across more than 30 cities in Asia and Latin America ⁶



Chaldal





CAPITAL MARKET

Asiatic Laboratories To Go Public

- □ Asiatic Laboratories has got the approval to raise BDT 95 crore through an IPO
- □ With the IPO proceeds, the company will expand its business, build a production building, and repay bank loans
- □ The general stock investors will be allowed to get the shares of the pharmaceuticals company after the cut-off price is finalized through the bidding among the eligible investors ⁷

Al-Arafah Islami Bank's BDT 500 Crore Bond Gets Go-ahead

- □ Al-Arafah Islami Bank gets approval to raise a fund of BDT 500 crore through issuing non-convertible, floating rate, fourth mudaraba subordinated bond
- □ Each unit of the bond would be BDT 5 lakh
- Their trustee is First Security Islami Capital and Investment, mandated lead arrangers are UCB Investment and Prime Bank Investment⁸





BANK AND NBFI

Ex-directors Swindle BDT 300 Crore out of Prime Islami Life Ins.

□ Auditor's Findings:

Prime Islami Life kept collateral against a loan taken by PFI Securities violating rules From this,

- The insurer incurred a loss of BDT 167 crore
- Prime Islami's share sale proceeds of BDT 15 crore were not repaid by PFI Securities

Prime Islami Life kept collateral against a loan taken by Prime Islami Securities violating rules From this,

- The company incurred a loss of **BDT 79 crore**
- Prime Islami Life invested **BDT 15 crore** in a group without deal and there was no disclosure in financial report

About Prime Islami Life:

- Paid-up capital 300 Crore
- ➢ Got listed in 2007
- > Gave 25% dividend in 2016, but that dropped to 10% in 2019
- Sponsors hold 36% shares, institutes 37% and general public 27% ⁹



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BANK AND NBFI

Default Bank Loans Surge to Record BDT 1.25 Trillion

- □ Banks' loan disbursement stood at **BDT 13.98 trillion**
- Defaulted bank loans increased by about 9.0% to a record BDT 1.25 trillion ¹⁰

Bank Accounts with above BDT 1 Crore Increases by 4,860

At the end of March this year, the number of bank accounts with crores of taka was 1,03,597, which increased to 1,08,457 at the end of June – a 4.69% increase ¹¹

IFIC Bank to Issue BDT 500 Crore Coupon Bearing Bond

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- □ IFIC Bank Limited has decided to issue its fourth coupon bearing bond worth BDT 500 crore to strengthen its Tier 2 capital as per Basel III requirements
- □ Their third non-convertible subordinated bond with a face value was BDT 1 crore per unit ¹²



CORPORATE

NAGAD Gets the NBFI License to Form Subsidiary

- □ **Nagad**, the MFS provider of Bangladesh Post Office, got consent for a license of NBFI under which it will form a subsidiary to legitimate its operation
- Bangladesh Bank has decided to give a letter of intent against "Nagad Finance PLC" ¹³

Walton Continues to Thrive in FY 21-22

- □ Freezer & Refrigerator was the main segment behind revenue growth
- Revenue increased by 11.5% YoY from BDT 52,165.0 million in FY 2020-21 to BDT 58,145.9 million in FY 2021-22¹⁴

Golden Harvest to Shut Down Its E-com Platform

- Golden Harvest Agro Industries, has decided to shut down its e-commerce business a year after its launching, citing unstable economic outlook for the country
- □ Their e-commerce venture, Golden Harvest Survus Ltd, for restaurant booking, food delivery as well as grocery and medicine delivery.
- □ The Golden Harvest owns **45%** stakes, which is equivalent to **BDT 50 million** ¹⁵







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