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The first-of-its-kind investment scheme

Suitable for Institutional Investors

NBR Collects BDT 5,205 Crore in Income Tax in July

- Income tax collection increased by **10%**, compared with the previous financial year
- NBR collected **BDT 5,205.35 crore** against **BDT 4,732.15 crore** for the same month of FY23 ¹

1st Payra Port Terminal to Open by Oct

- ❑ Total size of the first terminal of the Payra Port is about **650 metres** with 3 ship dockyards, 3 jetties and 3 open yards
- ❑ The First Terminal and Related Facilities Development Project in 2019 to complete it at a cost of **BDT 3,982 crore** ²

Bangabandhu Tunnel to Open for Traffic Oct 28

- ❑ Country's first-ever tunnel under the Karnaphuli River named 'Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel' will be opened for traffic on October 28 this year
- ❑ Total expenditure is **BDT 84.46 billion** while China is providing **BDT 55.05 billion** ³

Duty Exemption up 17.64% to BDT 610.32 Billion

- The duty exemption increased by **BDT 9,152 crore** or **17.64%** in FY23, as the NBR exempted **BDT 51,880 crore** duty in FY22 ⁴

Bangladesh's Share in EU Apparel Market Jumps to 22.20%

- Bangladesh exported **USD 22.89 billion** worth of apparel to the EU market in 2022
- Showcasing a remarkable **35.69%** year-on-year growth
- EU's overall apparel imports from all countries reached a staggering **USD 103.09 billion** ⁵

VENTURE CAPITAL

Local Startups Raise USD 43.3 Million in First Half of This Year

- ❑ Funding for Bangladeshi startups sluggish as local companies raised **USD 43.3 million** in the first half
- ❑ Bangladesh startups managed to secure **USD 6.8 million** through 11 deals in the second quarter of 2023 (April-June) ⁶

Top 8 VC Funds in Bangladesh



- Inception: 2013
- Stage: Pre-Seed, Seed, Series A, Series B, Series C
- Portfolio: Adeffi Limited, Tech Stone, AALO, Inventus Limited



- Inception: 2017
- Stage: Seed, Series A
- Portfolio: SHAJGOJ, Dmoney, Jatri, Praava, SOLShare, Dana ⁷

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VENTURE CAPITAL

Top 8 VC Funds in Bangladesh



- Inception: 2016
- Stage: Seed, Series A
- Portfolio: Socian, E-Desh



- Inception: 2021
- Stage: Seed, Series A
- Portfolio: Priyoshop



- Inception: 2019
- Stage: Seed, Series A, Series B
- Portfolio: Agroshift, Alice Labs, HypeScout, Loop Freight, Shikho



- Inception: 2020
- Stage: Seed, Series A, Series B, Series C
- Portfolio: Loop, Pickaboo, ShareTrip, Vroom, Frontier Nutrition, EduHive



- Inception: 2020
- Stage: Series A
- Portfolio: Truck Lagbe, iFarmer, Chaldal



- Inception: 2012
- Stage: Series A, Series B, Series C
- Portfolio: HandyMama, cWork, EON Group, Doctorola

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Brac Bank Profit Surges 75% in Jan-Jun

- Brac Bank's consolidated net profit after-tax (NPAT) grew by **75%**
- Financial data, accounting for all subsidiaries, registered an NPAT of **BDT 334 crore** compared to **BDT 191 crore** during the same period of 2022 ⁸

Navana, Genex, Aramit want to Invest in Digital Bank

- Three companies from different sectors – listed on the capital market – want to invest in a proposed digital bank styled "UPAY Digital Bank PLC"
- The total paid-up capital of the proposed digital bank will be **BDT 125 crore**
- Genex has decided to invest **BDT 12.5 crore**, Navana **BDT 7.50 crore**, and Aramit **BDT 6.25 crore** ⁹

Dutch-Bangla Bank to Start Merchant Banking and Brokerage Businesses

- The merchant bank will be a fully owned subsidiary of the Dutch-Bangla Bank
- ❑ **FOR MERCHANT BANK:**
 - Name: Dutch-Bangla Bank Investment
 - Paid-up capital: **BDT 25 crore**
- ❑ **FOR BROKERAGE HOUSE:**
 - Name: Dutch-Bangla Bank Securities
 - Paid-up capital: **BDT 10 crore** ¹⁰

Intermediaries Get Another Year to Invest in Debt Securities

- BSEC has extended the time until June 2024 to comply
- Stock market intermediaries – merchant banks, portfolio managers, asset managers, mutual funds, and stock dealers – have secured another year to invest the required capital in listed debt securities ¹¹

BANK AND NBFIs

Transactions Through Mobile Services Grow 40% in a Year

- **BDT 1.32 trillion** was transacted using services such as bKash and Rocket in June
- The transactions increased of **BDT 240.0 billion** compared to the previous month ¹²

Mercantile Bank to Invest BDT 12.5 Crore in Digi10 Bank

- Mercantile Bank Ltd is going to invest **BDT 12.5 crore** to be a sponsor shareholder of a initiative “Digi10 Bank PLC”
- Defaulted loans increased by **BDT 36.22 billion**
- Non-performing loans increased by **BDT 10.33 billion** in the January-March quarter of this year, and the new loans only increased by **BDT 8.26 billion** ¹³

BANK AND NBFIs

Banks Inclined to Invest in Short-term Securities

- Banks enjoying liquidity buildup because of lower demand for private credits
- Private credits shrink from **14.07%** to **10.57%** YoY
- Govt borrowed **BDT 643.51 billion** issuing T-bills during Jan-July period at **7.40%** interest ¹⁴

Above BDT 2 lakh Crore in Defaulted Loans Stuck in Cases

- Defaulted loans of banks stuck in litigations crossed **BDT 2.1 trillion**
- Escalated to **BDT 2.1 trillion** in March from **BDT 1.7 trillion** at the close of December 2022 ¹⁵

07

Walton Receives Nearly BDT 250 Crore Orders



- ❑ Country's first-ever sole industrial fair '**ATS Expo**' hosted by **Walton**
- ❑ During the expo from August 10 to 12, Walton received around **BDT 250 crore** worth orders from various local and overseas companies
- ❑ At the ATS Expo, Walton showcased more than **50,000** industrial materials, components, solutions and advanced technology ¹⁶

RFL Expands Bizli Cables Product Line



- ❑ Pran-RFL Group has introduced a new product category — medium-voltage power cable — to its popular cable brand Bizli Cables
- ❑ Country's medium-voltage cable market size **BDT 1000 crore**
- ❑ Investment **BDT 60 crore**
- ❑ Production capacity **4,000 tonnes** annually
- ❑ Employment **200** ¹⁷

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