

産業別ニュース

農林水産業

【Fruits not adulterated with formalin: experts】

Many people avoid consuming fresh fruits for fear of formalin even though their stance has no scientific and evidence-based findings, said experts yesterday.

There is a perception that apple that is sold in the local markets are preserved with formalin, scientifically called formaldehyde, said Md Iqbal Rouf Mamun, member of the Bangladesh Food Safety Authority... [8月1日 Daily Star 紙](#)

KEY POINTS

Lack of awareness a major impediment to ensure food safety

Need to establish accredited labs to test foods

Growers should get incentive for production of safe food

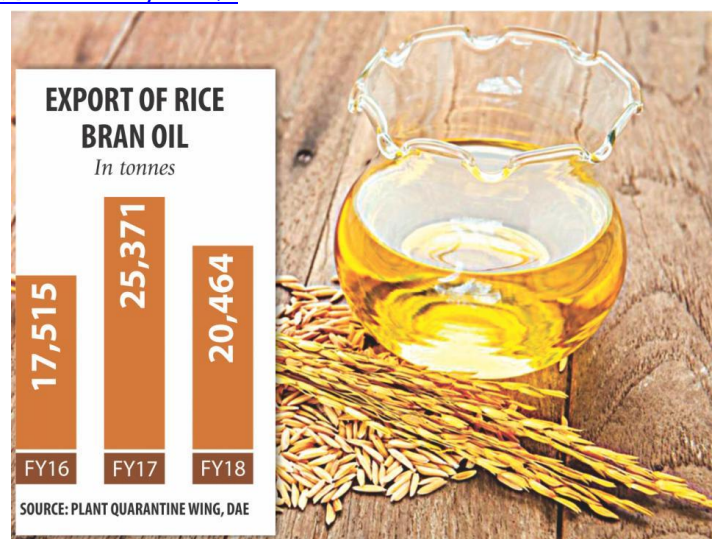
Safe food producers should get priority for bank loans

【Rice bran oil: exports on the rise】

Bangladesh's rice bran oil is gradually making headway in the international market thanks to manufactures' efforts to sell the antioxidant-rich edible oil abroad.

The country shipped more than 20,000 tonnes of rice bran oil for the second consecutive fiscal year in 2017-18.

They exported the item to more than a dozen countries, including India, the US, the UK, Australia and Japan in 2017-18, fetching \$21 million, according to the Export Promotion Bureau... [8月30日 Daily Star 紙](#)



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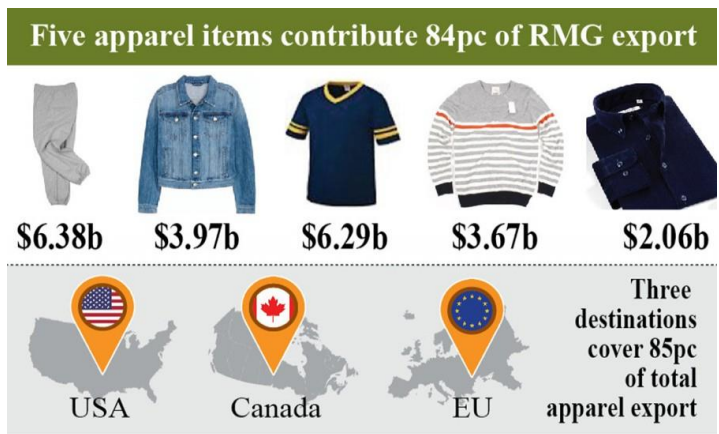
【Bangladesh remains the second biggest apparel exporter】

Bangladesh held on to its status as the second biggest apparel supplier in the world in 2017, accounting for 6.5 percent share of the market, according to data from the World Trade Organisation. In 2017, Bangladesh exported garment items worth \$29 billion, the data said. In 2016, Bangladesh's share of the global apparel market was 6.4 percent. China remained the largest apparel supplier globally, although its share shrank to 34.9 percent. The value of exported clothing items from China last year was \$158 billion.... [8月2日 Daily Star 紙](#)



【Too few items still rule apparel exports】

Export income from the readymade garment sector relies largely on a few items, thereby risking its sustainability in the global market, industry insiders and experts have said. At present, more than 73 per cent of the apparel sector's income comes from the shipment of only five items -- shirt, t-shirt, trouser, jacket and sweater.... [8月30日 Financial Express 紙](#)



Figures for FY18; Sources: EPB & BGMEA

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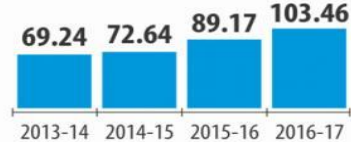
【Local pharma market set to hit \$5.11b by 2023】

Bangladesh's pharmaceuticals sector will grow 15 percent year-on-year to reach \$5.11 billion by 2023, propelled by high investments by local companies as they seek to grab a bigger share of the global market, said a new study yesterday.... [8月1日 Daily Star 紙](#)

【Pharma winning global markets】

Pharmaceuticals export has crossed \$100-million mark for the first time in the country's history, according to the Export Promotion Bureau. [8月1日 Daily Star 紙](#)

EXPORT OF MEDICINE
in million \$



THE SECTOR AT A GLANCE

Five years' average growth rate: **14.6%**
97% demand met locally, rest via export
Top 10 companies hold **68%** market share
80% generic drugs, **20%** patented
Sector contributes **1.85%** to GDP

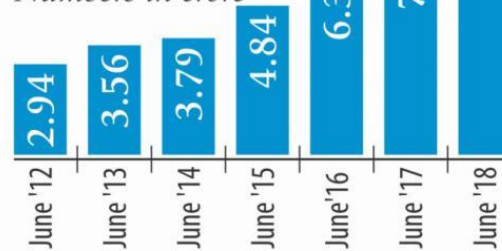
情報通信

【Mobile data leads to internet boom】

The number of the country's active internet connections increased about 20 percent year-on-year to 8.78 crore at the end of June on the back of fast-growing mobile internet and the government's push for digitalisation.... [8月20日 Daily Star 紙](#)

ACTIVE INTERNET
CONNECTIONS

Numbers in crore



SOURCE: BTRC

金融

【Banks' operating profits soar despite challenges】

yesterday allowed banks to open foreign currency clearing accounts in yuan in keeping with the soaring trade with China.... [8月15日 Daily Star 紙](#)

電子機器

【Smartphone imports fall for the first time】

Smartphone imports declined more than 9 percent year-on-year to 37.89 lakh units in the first half of the year on the back of a drastic fall in the arrival of lower-end devices amid higher tariffs.... [8月5日 Daily Star 紙](#)



【Symphony to start local assembly of handsets next month】

Symphony to start assembling mobile handsets in Bangladesh as the leading vendor has already set up the plant in Ashulia..... [8月13日 Daily Star 紙](#)

電力

【Solar-powered irrigation improves farming】

The solar irrigation system holds huge potential in Bangladesh and can provide sustainable solutions without requiring any fuel, reduce carbon emission and save millions in foreign currency, according to Infrastructure Development Company Ltd (IDCOL)... [8月3日 Daily Star 紙](#)



交通

【Commercial vehicle sales growing rapidly】

Sales of commercial vehicles are growing rapidly in Bangladesh thanks to the increasing economic activities in the last one decade. At least 35,000 units of commercial vehicles such as bus, truck, auto-rickshaw, cargo van, human-hauler, pickup and tanker were sold last year, way higher than 2,000 units 10 years ago, said Abdul Matlub Ahmad, chairman of Nitol-Niloy Group..... [8月17日 Daily Star 紙](#)



サービス

【Fortune recognises Telenor's Tonic】

Telenor Group has recently been recognised by Fortune magazine for its work to bring affordable healthcare to the mass market through its Tonic mobile service in Bangladesh... [8月28日 Daily Star 紙](#)

【Tim Hortons may open outlets in Dhaka】

Tim Hortons, Canada's multinational fast food restaurant chain known for its fresh coffee and home-style lunches, may open outlets in Dhaka as one of its franchisees sees huge business potential in the country.... [8月31日 Daily Star 紙](#)



製造業

【Mega steel plant in the works】

A consortium of 17 local companies and a Chinese steelmaker is set to invest \$3.5 billion to establish a Bangladesh-China joint venture integrated steel plant in Moheshkhali. Of the sum, Kunming Iron and Steel Holding Company (KISC), a leading steelmaker from China, will foot \$2.4 billion.... [8月16日 Daily Star 紙](#)



【Steelmakers flexing muscles】

Steelmakers are investing thousands of crores of taka either to expand existing capacity or set up new units as consumption is on the rise. Per capita steel consumption in Bangladesh has grown more than 54 percent to 37kg in the last eight years thanks to the government's large infrastructure projects and the thriving housing sector..... [8月28日 Daily Star 紙](#)



【Single biggest FDI in Bangladesh】

Japan Tobacco Inc., one of the five largest tobacco companies in the world, yesterday acquired Akij Group's tobacco business for \$1.47 billion (about Tk 12,430 crore), in what would be the biggest ever single foreign direct investment in Bangladesh.... [8月7日 Daily Star 紙](#)

【Bangladesh sending caregivers to Japan】

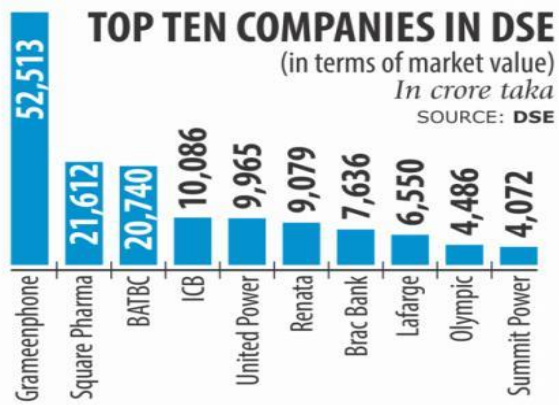
Bangladesh is going to send caregivers to Japan for the first time this year opening a new opportunity of remittance inflow.

A total of seven women aged between 18 and 23 years are taking final training at Bangladesh-German Technical Training Center (BG TTC) in the city.... [8月7日 Daily Star 紙](#)

【Market value of top 10 firms rises 10pc】

Companies has increased 10.18 percent year-on-year to Tk 146,717 crore in June thanks to strong performance. Grameenphone is the strongest performer in terms of absolute increase in market capitalisation, gaining 12.92 percent or Tk 6,008.83 crore in value..... [8月14日 Daily Star 紙](#)

その他



【Profits jump before listing, fall afterwards】

The earnings of 19 out of the 21 textile companies that got listed on the Dhaka bourse between 2010 and 2015 have fallen sharply from the level shown during the initial public offerings..... [8月14日 Daily Star 紙](#)

EARNINGS ANALYSIS OF 67 COMPANIES THAT RAISED CAPITAL DURING 2010-15

Sectors	Number of companies	Earnings fall (junks in brackets)	Earnings rise	Unchanged
Textile	21	19 (4)	2	
Engineering	11	8	3	
Pharma	8	5	3	
Power	6*	1	4	
Travel	3	3 (1)		
Food	3	2 (1)	1	
Miscellaneous	3	3		
Cement	2	1	1	
NBFI	2	1 (1)	1	
Insurance	2	2 (2)		
IT	2	1		1
Telecom	1	1		
Ceramic	1		1	
Paper	1	1 (1)		
Service	1		1	

* SUMMIT PURBANCHOL POWER AMALGAMATED WITH SUMMIT POWER.

分野横断的ニュース

マクロ経済

【WB loans get costlier, its terms too】

Bangladesh will no longer eligible for concessional loan from the World Bank as it has started lending at 2.0 per cent rate. The Washington lender has made the higher rate effective from last month instead of 0.75 per cent, officials said on Monday.... [8月2日 Financial Express 紙](#)

財政
税制

貿易

【Imports hit all-time high】

Bangladesh's 47-year history, imports crossed the \$50 billion mark in a single fiscal year, fuelling fears of inflation and further depreciation of the local currency against the dollar...[8月9日 Daily Star 紙](#)

IMPORT (SETTLEMENT OF LCs)

In billions of \$



【Export subsidy gets bigger】

The government is set to extend export subsidy to eight new products and increase the amount for existing ones with a view to boosting overseas shipments and encouraging environment-friendly industrialisation...[8月13日 Daily Star 紙](#)

NEW PRODUCTS SELECTED FOR CASH INCENTIVES

Pharmaceuticals	5%
Photovoltaic module	10%
Motorcycle	10%
Razor/ razor blades	10%
Ceramics	5%
Cap	10%
Galvanised sheets and coil	10%
Crab and eel	10%

雇用問題
ジェンダー
その他
社会問題

【Six victims' families get \$51,200 each】

Families of six Bangladeshi passengers who died in the US-Bangla plane crash in Kathmandu have received \$51,200 (Tk 43 lakh) each as compensation from the airline's local insurer...[8月7日 Daily Star 紙](#)



【Businesses lose steam】

Demonstration and transport strike have affected business activities, including export and import, across the country. “We have been facing difficulty in doing overseas trade for the last eight days owing to the ongoing stalemate,” said Shafiul Islam Mohiuddin, president of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry, at a press conference at its office in the capital....[8月7日 Daily Star 紙](#)