



BANGLADESHWEEKLY

15 June – 21 June 2026

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WEEKLY OVERVIEW | POLITICS · ECONOMY · FOREIGN AFFAIRS · INTERNAL SECURITY

POLITICS

- PM Tarique Rahman convenes National Security Committee ahead of Malaysia–China diplomatic tour; pre-departure briefings held with foreign and defence ministries
- Parliament debates FY27 budget implementation schedule; supplementary finance bill passes second reading; FY26 closing accounts tabled
- Awami League files constitutional petition challenging parliament's party-restriction legislation; Jamaat consolidates opposition bench with 5 additional MPs
- BNP–Jamaat coalition rift widens over local government seat allocations; intra-coalition commission formed to arbitrate disputes by July 10

ECONOMY

- IMF 6th tranche review team arrives in Dhaka; discussions focus on banking sector NPL resolution, FX reserve trajectory and fiscal deficit management
- India moves to extend anti-dumping duties on Bangladesh jute products; local millers warn export revenue could fall by \$120 million annually
- DSEX rises to 5,660 by June 21, a near 10-month high; banking sector rally led by restructuring optimism around Islami Bank
- June preliminary inflation data shows modest cooling to 9.31% from 9.42%; food prices stabilise but energy costs remain elevated on Middle East concerns

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

- PM Tarique Rahman departs for Malaysia June 19 on maiden bilateral overseas tour; 7 MoUs on labour, education, investment and halal trade expected
- Bangladesh formally submits extradition request for Sheikh Hasina to India through diplomatic channels; New Delhi yet to acknowledge
- FM Khalilur Rahman's UNGA 81st Session presidency preparations underway; Sept 2026 term commencement planning begins in New York
- India–Bangladesh diplomatic tensions persist following Adviser Zahed airport incident; High Commission exchanges continue through back-channels

INTERNAL SECURITY

- Bangladesh files formal extradition request with UAE for ex-IGP Benazir Ahmed arrested in Dubai June 12; Abu Dhabi confirms receipt within 30-day window
- BGB repels Arakan Army border intrusion near Teknaf on June 20; border fence accelerated after incursion; 165+ Bangladeshi fishermen still in AA custody
- Anti-terrorism operations continue in Rohingya camps at Cox's Bazar; 14 ARSA operatives arrested in coordinated law enforcement sweep
- Methamphetamine seizures at Myanmar–Bangladesh border hit record levels in June; trafficking networks shifting routes amid AA territorial consolidation

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DEFENCE

- Bangladesh announces construction of security fence along Myanmar border; first phase covers 50km of Bandarban and Cox's Bazar frontier; BGB deployment doubled
- Bangladesh Navy conducts Bay of Bengal monsoon-season patrol exercise; maritime security cooperation discussed with Indian Naval HQ
- BGB repels Arakan Army cross-border incursion near Teknaf June 20; COAS issues high-alert directive for all southeast border units
- Bangladesh participates in IORA maritime security working group; PM's adviser airport incident casts shadow on India–BD defence cooperation dialogue

HEALTH

- DGHS: dengue cases cross 5,200 mark with 9 deaths as of June 18; monsoon onset accelerates mosquito breeding; WHO Bangladesh issues pre-monsoon disease alert
- Monsoon arrives in Sylhet and Chittagong divisions by June 19; DGHS issues cholera, typhoid and hepatitis E preparedness circular for flood-prone districts
- Health minister confirms field hospital network at 64 district hospitals activated; 12,000 additional saline drips and ORS sachets pre-positioned in Sylhet
- FY27 health budget implementation begins; upazila health complexes to receive Tk 420 crore upgrade for maternal and neonatal care infrastructure

EDUCATION

- Education ministry issues HSC exam circular for July 2 start; biometric entry, jamming devices and CCTVs at all 2,785 exam centres; question leak protocol tightened
- UGC distance-learning platform officially launched June 17; targets 80,000 students in 22 remote upazila clusters by December 2026
- FY27 education budget Tk 94,710 crore implementation circular issued; teacher recruitment for 15,000 vacancies at secondary level to begin in July
- SSC 2026 results processing underway; DSEBL and board IT teams target July 20 publication; 18.57 lakh candidates await outcome

SOCIETY

- Kutupalong fire victims: IOM reports 12,000 displaced Rohingya still without permanent shelter nine days after June 12 blaze; UNHCR issues emergency funding appeal
- Family Card scheme implementation begins; government begins enrollment of first tranche of 40 lakh low-income households under Tk 14,500 crore FY27 allocation
- Distressed loan framework for banking sector: Bangladesh Bank issues resolution timeline for Tk 10.87 lakh crore NPL; Islami Bank administrator presents 90-day plan
- Monsoon onset brings relief from heatwave in Dhaka; however flooding displaces 45,000 in Sylhet haor region by June 21; NDRF teams deployed

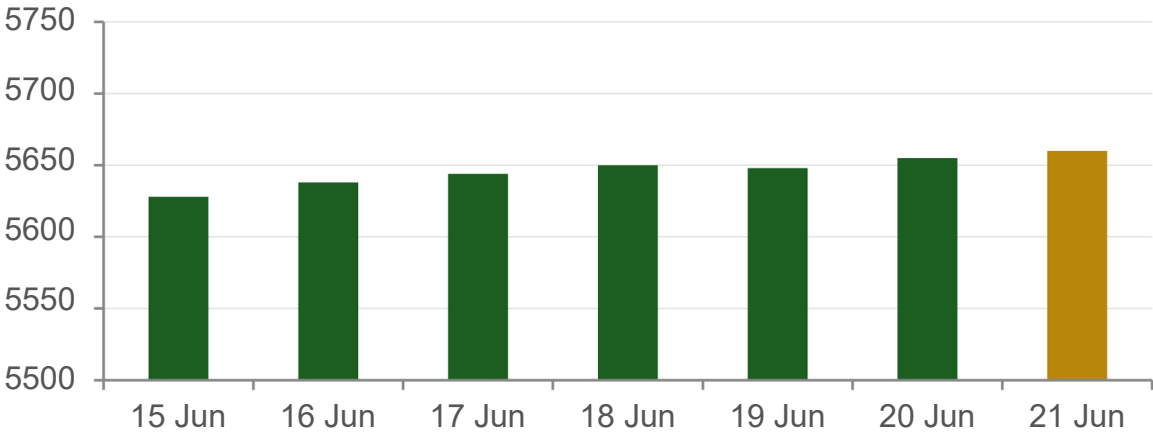
NEWS HEADLINES | 15–21 JUNE 2026 (1/2)

No	Date	Sector	News Headline	Source
1	15 Jun	Politics	PM Tarique chairs NSC ahead of Malaysia–China tour; pre-departure briefings with foreign, defence ministries on Bangladesh Firstagenda	Daily Star
2	15 Jun	Economy	IMF 6th tranche review team arrives in Dhaka; banking sector NPL resolution, FX reserves and fiscal deficit management on agenda	TBS News
3	16 Jun	Foreign Affairs	Bangladesh formally submits Hasina extradition request to India through diplomatic channels; New Delhi yet to acknowledge formally	bdnews24
4	16 Jun	Internal Sec.	Bangladesh lodges formal extradition request with UAE for ex-IGP Benazir Ahmed; Abu Dhabi confirms receipt; 30-day processing window begins	Daily Star
5	16 Jun	Defence	Bangladesh announces security fence along Myanmar border; first 50km phase in Bandarban and Cox's Bazar amid Arakan Army pressure	The Diplomat
6	17 Jun	Economy	India moves to extend anti-dumping duties on Bangladesh jute products; local millers warn \$120 million annual export revenue at risk	Daily Star
7	17 Jun	Health	DGHS: dengue cases cross 5,200 with 9 deaths as of June 17; monsoon onset accelerates vector breeding; fumigation drives expanded to 40+ districts	TBS News
8	17 Jun	Society	Family Card enrollment begins for first tranche of 40 lakh low-income households under Tk 14,500 crore FY27 social protection allocation	BSS News
9	18 Jun	Education	UGC distance-learning platform officially launched targeting 80,000 students in 22 remote upazila clusters; platform to be fully operational by Dec 2026	Rising Barta
10	18 Jun	Economy	DSEX crosses 5,650 on June 18 driven by Islami Bank restructuring optimism and foreign institutional buying; near 10-month high	TBS News

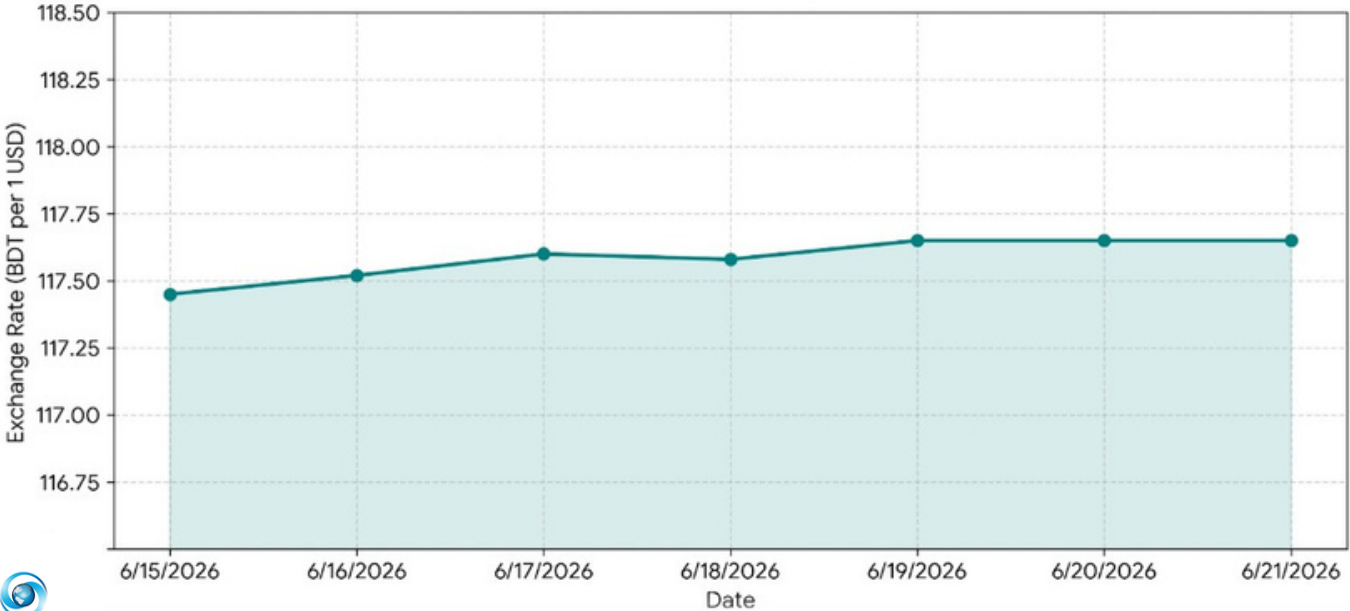
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11	19 Jun	Foreign Affairs	PM Tarique Rahman departs for Malaysia on maiden overseas bilateral tour; 7 MoUs on labour, education, investment and halal trade expected with Kuala Lumpur	BSS News
12	19 Jun	Defence	BGB confirms 165+ Bangladeshi fishermen still in Arakan Army detention along Naf River; ICRC engaged as back-channel for humanitarian access	The Diplomat
13	19 Jun	Education	HSC exam circular issued ahead of July 2 launch; biometric entry, signal jammers and CCTV mandatory at all 2,785 examination centres nationwide	Rising Barta
14	20 Jun	Economy	Preliminary June 2026 inflation at 9.31%, down from 9.42% in May; food prices ease but energy import costs remain elevated on Middle East disruption	Daily Star
15	20 Jun	Internal Sec.	Arakan Army fighters cross Naf River into Teknaf; BGB repels intrusion; COAS orders additional deployments; border fence construction accelerated	bdnews24
16	20 Jun	Health	Monsoon advances into Sylhet and Chittagong by June 19; DGHS issues cholera, typhoid and hepatitis-E preparedness circular; field hospitals on standby	TBS News
17	21 Jun	Foreign Affairs	PM Tarique arrives in Dalian, China for WEF Summer Davos; 15-17 MoUs across infrastructure, energy and technology expected during June 23-26 state visit	New Age BD
18	21 Jun	Society	IOM: 12,000 displaced Rohingya still without permanent shelter nine days after Kutupalong fire; UNHCR issues emergency \$4.2M funding appeal to donors	Al Jazeera
19	21 Jun	Defence	Bangladesh Navy conducts Bay of Bengal monsoon-season patrol; maritime security cooperation agenda discussed with Indian Naval HQ	BSS News
20	21 Jun	Economy	Bangladesh eyes \$6 billion in Chinese infrastructure funding for Dhaka-Ashulia Expressway, power grid upgrade, and 1,000-bed hospital; MoU list finalised	Daily Star

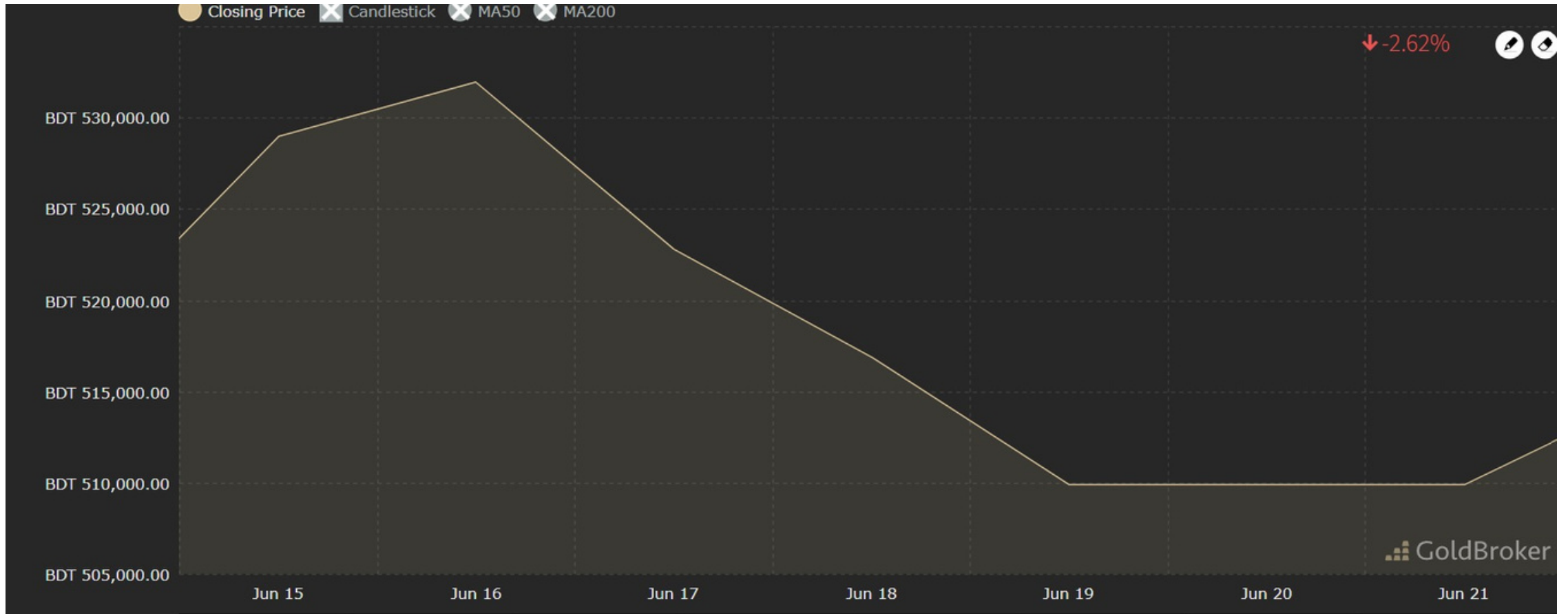
DSEX Index (Jun 15–21, 2026)



USD to BDT (Bangladeshi Taka) Exchange Rate (15 - 21 June 2026)



Gold Price



Silver Price

