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Broad money increased 12.45 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 23,91,066.70 crore at the end of May 2026. Net domestic assets (NDA), the largest component of broad money continued to play the dominant role in broad money expansion, with its' sustained growth remaining the principal source of monetary expansion. During July to May of FY26 broad money grew by BDT 2,16,445.00 crore, while it had increased by BDT 93,116.60 crore during the same period in FY25.

Domestic credit increased 8.63 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 24,54,965.90 crore at the end of May 2026. The rise in lending to the public sector was the primary cause of the growth in domestic credit. During July to May of FY26 domestic credit rose by BDT 1,70,613.10 crore, while it had increased by BDT 1,44,490.20 crore during the same period in FY25.

Credit to the public sector increased 20.78 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 6,29,546.20 crore at the end of May 2026. The public sector's credit expansion resulted from a net increase in government borrowing as the government attempted to meet spending in the face of low growth in tax revenue, rising debt servicing costs, and increased costs brought on by inflated prices. During July to May of FY26 credit to the public sector grew by BDT 92,880.30 crore and it had increased by BDT 46,949.10 crore during the same period in FY25.

Credit to the private sector increased 4.98 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 18,25,419.70 crore at the end of May 2026. During July to May of FY26 credit to the private sector increased by BDT 77,732.80 crore, while it had increased by BDT 97,541.10 crore during the same period in FY25.

Deposit of the banking system increased 11.41 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 20,41,692.70 crore at the end of May 2026. The primary factor contributing to the rise in bank deposits during the period was the increase in time deposits. The deposit of the banking system increased by BDT 1,63,522.90 crore from July to May of FY26, in contrast to the increase of BDT 89,774.50 crore during the same period of FY25.

Reserve money increased 11.77 percent (y-o-y) and reached BDT 4,67,578.67 crore as on 15 July 2026. Rise in Bangladesh Bank's Net Foreign Assets (NFA) led to this increase in reserve money. During 01-15 July of FY27 reserve money decreased by BDT 8,128.51 crore, while it had increased by BDT 5,155.94 crore during the same period in FY26.

Policy rate (Repo) was unchanged at 10.00 percent during the period under review. The newly re-fixed repo rate of 9.50 percent and **Standing Lending Facility (SLF)** of 11.00 percent will be effective from August 02, 2026. **Standing Deposit Facility (SDF)** rate was re-fixed at 7.50 percent with effect from February 16, 2026. The **weighted average call money rate** was 9.58 percent up to 15 July 2026, remaining below the policy rate.

Net government borrowing from the banking system increased by BDT 3,990.20 crore during 01-15 July of FY27, against the increase of BDT 2,812.73 crore during 01-15 July of FY26.

NBR tax revenue grossed a collection of BDT 3,60,642.00 crore through a 10.02 percent (y-o-y) growth during July to May of FY26; while it had grown only 5.82 percent during July to May of FY25. This collection was 81.58 percent of the targeted BDT 4,42,084.78 crore set for July to May of FY26. However, tax collection for the month of May 2026 was only BDT 33,108.00 crore, through a growth of 2.87 percent (y-o-y); while this growth was 4.41 percent in May 2025.

Exports increased 0.17 percent (y-o-y) to USD 48.38 billion during in FY26, as RMG (Knitwear & Woven garments) exports decreased 0.96 percent (y-o-y); RMG accounted for 80.54 percent of the total exports during the period under review. In comparison, total exports had increased 8.60 percent (y-o-y) during in FY25.

Custom-based imports increased 5.89 percent (y-o-y) to USD 67.73 billion during July to May of FY26, while it had increased 5.31 percent (y-o-y) during the same period of the previous fiscal year. During July to May of FY26, **opening of import LC** increased 4.16 percent while **settlement of import LC** decreased 2.26 percent.

Inward remittances increased 22.16 percent (y-o-y) to USD 1.64 billion during 01-15 July of FY27, while it had increased 9.57 percent (y-o-y) during the same period of FY26.

Current account deficit narrowed to USD 0.30 billion during July to May of FY26 from USD 0.78 billion during July to May of FY25. Worker's remittance inflow is the key factor behind the improvement in current account situation.

Gross foreign reserves increased to USD 36.64 billion on 15 July 2026 from USD 29.67 billion on 15 July 2025. Bangladesh Bank has maintained a consistent level of foreign exchange reserves over USD 30.00 billion through purchases of USD. The consistent higher flow of inward remittances has also contributed to the increase in foreign exchange reserves.

Exchange rate (inter-bank) of Bangladesh Taka against USD depreciated 1.05 percent to BDT/USD 122.95 on an average during 01-15 July of FY27 compared to that of 01-15 July of FY26.

Headline point-to-point inflation increased to 9.16 percent (y-o-y) in June 2026 from 9.42 percent (y-o-y) in May 2026; inflation in June 2026 was still higher than 8.48 percent (y-o-y) of June 2025. Meanwhile, the **twelve-month average inflation (12MA)** increased slightly to 8.68 percent in June 2026 from 8.63 percent in May 2026. The 12MA headline inflation was on a falling trend since January 2025, as a result of Bangladesh Bank's persistent contractionary monetary policy stance. However, after more than a year on the declining path, in May 2026 this falling trajectory reversed and the 12MA inflation edged up compare to the month before; this rise in 12MA inflation despite tightening of monetary policy may have been caused by the fuel crisis in the country as a result of geopolitical conflict in the Middle East and USA-Iran war.

Detailed fortnightly data available up to 15 July 2026 is annexed herewith.

Detailed Information of Major Economic Indicators: 01-15, Jul-26

I. Money and Credit

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	Jun-24	May-25 ^R	Jun-25	May-26 ^P	Jul-May, FY25	Jul-May, FY26 ^P
1	2	3	4	5	6=(3-2)	7=(5-4)
A. Broad money (a+b)	2033234.00 (+7.74)	2126350.60 (+7.84)	2174621.70 (+6.95)	2391066.70 (+12.45)	93116.60	216445.00
a) Currency outside banks	290436.50 (-0.51)	293778.60 (+8.54)	296451.90 (+2.07)	349374.00 (+18.92)	3342.10	52922.10
b) Bank deposits*	1742797.50 (+9.25)	1832572.00 (+7.73)	1878169.80 (+7.77)	2041692.70 (+11.41)	89774.50	163522.90
B. Domestic credit (c+d)	2115524.90 (+9.80)	2260015.10 (+7.86)	2284352.80 (+7.98)	2454965.90 (+8.63)	144490.20	170613.10
c) Public sector (i+ii)	474296.20 (+9.66)	521245.30 (+10.23)	536665.90 (+13.15)	629546.20 (+20.78)	46949.10	92880.30
i) Net credit to govt.	424877.10 (+9.69)	470282.00 (+10.78)	488177.60 (+14.90)	586012.00 (+24.61)	45404.90	97834.40
ii) Credit to other public sector	49419.10 (+9.42)	50963.30 (+5.40)	48488.30 (-1.88)	43534.20 (-14.58)	1544.20	-4954.10
d) Credit to private sector	1641228.70 (+9.84)	1738769.80 (+7.17)	1747686.90 (+6.49)	1825419.70 (+4.98)	97541.10	77732.80
Particulars	30-Jun-25	15-Jul-25 ^R	30-Jun-26	15-Jul-26 ^P	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY26 ^R	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY27 ^P
C) Reserve money**	413179.00 (-0.11)	418334.94 (+11.16)	475707.18 (+15.13)	467578.67 (+11.77)	5155.94	-8128.51

Sources: Monetary Policy Department, Statistics Department and Motijheel office of Bangladesh Bank (BB).

Note: Figures in the parentheses indicates y-o-y percentage changes. * Includes both demand and time deposits. ** Excludes F.C clearing account balance. P = Provisional and R = Revised.

II. Interest Rate

(In percent)

Particulars	30-Jun-25	31-Dec-25	15-Jul-25	31-May-26	30-Jun-26	15-Jul-26
Policy rate	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Standing lending facility rate	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50
Standing deposit facility rate	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Call money rate (monthly weighted average)	10.14	9.99	10.08	10.03	9.90	9.58

Source: MPD and Debt Management Department (DMD) of BB.

III. Government Borrowing and Revenue Collection

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	As on 15-Jul-25	As on 15-Jul-26 ^P	As on 30-Jun-25	As on 30-Jun-26	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY26	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY27
1. Govt. borrowing from banking system(Net) [a+b]	553717.69	689466.53	550614.37	685476.33	2812.73	3990.20
a. Govt. borrowing from Bangladesh Bank (net)	95016.47	94104.62	98133.13	94051.78	-3407.25	52.84
b. Govt. borrowing from DMBs (net)	458701.22	595361.91	452481.24	591424.55	6219.98	3937.36
	As on 31-May-25	As on 31-May-26^P	Jul-May, FY25		Jul-May, FY26	
2. Net govt. borrowings from other than banks[@]	472250.95	476311.11	39510.11		-567.67	
	May-25	May-26^P	Jul-May, FY25		Jul-May, FY26^P	
3. Govt. tax revenue collection (NBR portion)	32185.05	33108.00	327785.78		360642.00	
	(+4.41)	(+2.87)	(+5.82)		(+10.02)	

Sources: Research Department, Statistics Department and DMD of BB, and National Board of Revenue.

Note: Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes over the same period of the previous year. [@]Includes savings certificate and T.bills & T.bonds held by non-bank entities and excludes prize bonds held by the banks . P = Provisional.

IV. External Sector

(In million USD)

Particulars	Jun-25	Jun-26	Jul-Jun, FY25	Jul-Jun, FY26
1. Exports	3350.15 (-10.57)	4185.39 (+24.93)	48300.05 (+8.60)	48383.45 (+0.17)
	May-25	May-26	Jul-May, FY25	Jul-May, FY26
2. Import	5787.32 (+4.76)	6108.22 (+5.54)	63963.05 (+5.31)	67727.60 (+5.89)
3. Opening of import L/C	6048.46 (NA)	6212.75 (+2.72)	65332.95 (NA)	68050.83 (+4.16)
4. Settlement of import L/C	6066.87 (NA)	5837.67 (-3.78)	64677.80 (NA)	63214.77 (-2.26)
	Jul-Jun, FY25	Jul-Jun, FY26	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY26	01 Jul-15 Jul, FY27
5. Inward remittances	28986.28 (+25.93)	34394.35 (+18.66)	1340.00 (+9.57)	1637.00 (+22.16)
	Jul-May, FY25		Jul-May, FY26	
6. Current account balance	-778.00		-301.00	
	30- Jun- 25	15- Jul- 25	30- Jun- 26	15- Jul- 26
7. Gross foreign reserve	31772.01 (+18.93)	29669.13 (+12.37)	37578.02 (+18.27)	36635.99 (+23.48)
8. Exchange rate (inter-bank)	122.84	121.66	122.77	122.95

V. Real Sector

(In percent)

Headline inflation	May-25	Jun-25	May-26	Jun-26
1. Point to point	9.05	8.48	9.42	9.16
2. Twelve month average	10.13	10.03	8.63	8.68

Sources: Statistics Department, Accounts & Budgeting Department, Foreign Exchange Operations Department, and Forex Reserve and Treasury Management Department of BB

Note: Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes over the same period of the preceding year. NA = Not available.