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## Executive Summary

### 1. Monetary and Financial Sector

**Broad money (M2)** growth registered at 7.76 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025, higher than the 7.43 percent growth recorded in April 2024.

**Domestic credit** growth narrowed to 8.03 percent in April 2025 compared to 11.19 percent growth in April 2024.

**Public sector credit** growth decelerated to 9.83 percent in April 2025 from 15.91 percent in April 2024.

**Private sector credit** growth decreased to 7.50 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025 compared to 7.57 percent in March 2025 and it registered lower than the 9.90 percent growth in April 2024.

**Deposits of the banking system** grew by 8.21 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025, which was lower than the growth of 8.63 percent in April 2024.

**Reserve money** increased by 6.71 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025 compared to 0.25 percent decreased in April 2024, as NFA augmented during the period under review compared to a substantial decline during same period of the previous fiscal year.

**Total excess liquid assets (including securities)** was BDT 238845.53 crore, while cash in excess of required reserves was BDT 11448.96 crore at the end of March 2025.

**The weighted average call money rate** in the inter-bank money market increased by 13 basis points to 10.06 percent in May 2025 from April 2025, remaining adjacent to the **Repo Policy Rate** of 10.00 percent.

**The weighted average interest rate (WAIR) on deposits of all banks** increased by 6 basis points, reached 6.23 percent in April 2025; for **NBFIs** it also moved up by 4 basis points and reached 10.65 percent compared to the previous month.

**The WAIR on advances of all banks** elevated by one basis points and stood at 12.05 percent and that of **NBFIs** increased by 3 basis point and stood at 13.82 percent in April 2025, compared to the previous month.

**DSE Broad Index (DSEX)** moved down to 4637.92 in May 2025 from 4917.92 in April 2025.

### 2. Fiscal Sector

**NBR tax revenue collection** increased by 14.42 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025 and the same increased by 3.96 percent (y-o-y) during July-April of FY25, achieving 74.99 percent of the target set for the period FY25.

**Net domestic borrowing** of the Government during July-April of FY25 was BDT 62882.98 crore.

**Domestic debt (public) to GDP ratio** was 16.33 percent at the end of April 2025, lower than that of the previous year.

### 3. Real sector

**Headline point-to-point inflation** decreased to 9.05 percent in May 2025, from 9.17 percent in April 2025. On the other hand, **12-month average inflation** inched down to 10.14 percent in May 2025, from 10.21 percent in April 2025.

**Point-to-point wage rate** grew by 8.21 percent in May 2025 which was 8.19 percent in April 2025. Among agriculture, industry and service sector, wage rate index in service sector showed the highest growth (8.45 percent(y-o-y)) in May 2025.

**The general index of large-scale industrial production** grew by 6.20 percent (y-o-y) during July-March of FY25 compared to 2.52 percent (y-o-y) growth of the said index during July-March of FY24.

**The disbursement of agricultural credit and non-farm rural credit** decreased by 3.82 percent and 23.54 percent, during July-April of FY25 compared to the same period of FY24.

**The disbursement of CMSME loans** decreased by 3.49 percent (y-o-y) during October-December of FY25 compared to an increase of 6.98 percent during the same period of FY24.

**The disbursement of industrial term loans** increased by 14.16 percent (y-o-y) in October-December of FY24 compared to 57.54 percent in October-December of FY23.

#### 4. External sector

**Merchandise commodity exports** rebounded with 10.36 percent (y-o-y) growth during July-May of FY25<sup>1</sup> compared to a fall of 4.28 percent (y-o-y) during July-May of FY24.

**Merchandise imports** grew by 5.37 percent during July-April of FY25 compared to a 13.05 percent decreased during the same period of FY24.

**Inflow of remittances** during July-May of FY25 was USD 27.51 billion which was 28.69 percent higher than that of the same period of previous fiscal year.

**Gross foreign exchange reserves** stood at USD 25.80 billion at the end of May 2025. According to **BPM6**, however, this gross foreign exchange reserves amounted to USD 20.54 billion.

**Bangladesh Taka** depreciated against USD by 4.04 percent during July-May of FY25 compared to 8.10 percent depreciation during July-May of FY24.

Receipts of **total foreign aid** fell by 18.58 percent and **net foreign aid** fell by 36.02 percent during July-April of FY25 compared to the same period of previous fiscal year.

**Current account balance** recorded a lower deficit of USD 1.39 billion during July-April of FY25 against a deficit of USD 6.03 billion during July-April of FY24. The **financial account** recorded a surplus of USD 1.96 billion during July- April of FY25 compared to the surplus of USD 2.25 billion during July- April of FY24. As a result, the **overall balance** recorded a lower deficit of USD 0.66 billion in July- April of FY25 compared to an overall deficit of USD 5.57 billion during July- April of FY24 in the balance of payments.

*Note: The information furnished in the executive summary and the subsequent pages are provisional and subject to revision.*

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<sup>1</sup> Data is revised by National Board of Revenue, compiled by Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.



## 1. Money and credit developments

(BDT in crore)						
Particulars	June, 2023 <sup>R</sup>	April, 2024 <sup>R</sup>	June, 2024 <sup>R</sup>	April, 2025 <sup>P</sup>	Flow of July-April, FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Flow of July-April, FY25 <sup>P</sup>
1	2	3	4	5	6=(3-2)	7=(5-4)
<b>A. Net Foreign Assets of the banking system</b>	316728.30	248097.50	291129.00	279041.40	-68630.80	-12087.60
	(-13.06)	(-18.45)	(-8.08)	(+12.47)		
<b>B. Net Domestic Assets of the banking system</b>	1570439.90	1698734.60	1742105.00	1818942.00	128294.70	76837.00
	(+16.86)	(+12.65)	(+10.93)	(+7.08)		
<b>a) Domestic credit</b>	1926770.80	2064636.70	2115524.90	2230337.70	137865.90	114812.80
	(+15.25)	(+11.19)	(+9.80)	(+8.03)		
<b>Public sector</b>	432514.60	462995.50	474296.20	508515.40	30480.90	34219.20
	(+34.94)	(+15.91)	(+9.66)	(+9.83)		
<b>Government (net)</b>	387349.90	415153.20	424877.10	457439.70	27803.30	32562.60
	(+36.72)	(+16.89)	(+9.69)	(+10.19)		
<b>Other Public</b>	45164.70	47842.30	49419.10	51075.70	2677.60	1656.60
	(+21.41)	(+8.07)	(+9.42)	(+6.76)		
<b>Private sector</b>	1494256.20	1601641.20	1641228.70	1721822.30	107385.00	80593.60
	(+10.58)	(+9.90)	(+9.84)	(+7.50)		
<b>b) Other items (net)</b>	-356330.90	-365902.10	-373419.90	-411395.70	-9571.20	-37975.80
<b>Broad money (A+B)</b>	<b>1887168.20</b>	<b>1946832.10</b>	<b>2033234.00</b>	<b>2097983.40</b>	<b>59663.90</b>	<b>64749.40</b>
	<b>(+10.48)</b>	<b>(+7.43)</b>	<b>(+7.74)</b>	<b>(+7.76)</b>		
<b>A. Currency outside banks</b>	291913.60	264349.30	290436.50	277366.90	-27564.30	-13069.60
	(+23.46)	(+0.37)	(-0.51)	(+4.92)		
<b>B. Deposits of the banking system</b>	1595254.60	1682482.80	1742797.50	1820616.50	87228.20	77819.00
	(+8.40)	(+8.63)	(+9.25)	(+8.21)		
<b>a) Demand deposits</b>	199974.40	190579.30	210490.30	194269.60	-9395.10	-16220.70
	(+5.55)	(+3.07)	(+5.26)	(+1.94)		
<b>b) Time deposits</b>	1395280.20	1491903.50	1532307.20	1626346.90	96623.30	94039.70
	(+8.82)	(+9.38)	(+9.82)	(+9.01)		

Source: Statistics Department, BB.

Note:- Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes (y-o-y). P = provisional, R = Revised.

### a. Broad Money

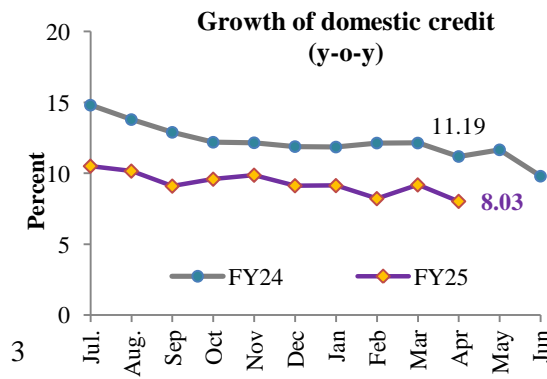
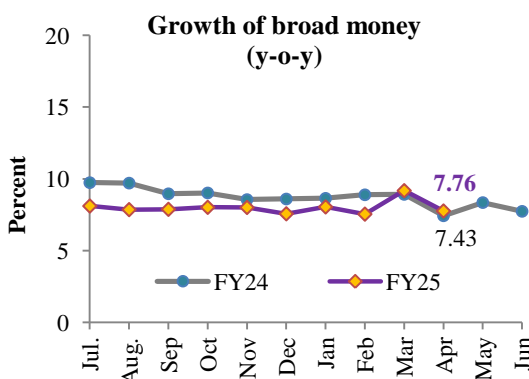
- Broad money (M2) recorded 7.76 percent growth (y-o-y) at the end of April 2025 which is lower than the projected growth of 8.40 percent for June 2025 and actual growth of 7.43 percent of April 2024.
- Net foreign assets (NFA) increased by 12.47 percent in April 2025. However, the significantly larger component of M2, the net domestic assets (NDA) growth slowed to 7.08 percent in April 2025 from 12.65 percent in April 2024.

### b. Domestic Credit

- Domestic credit growth narrowed to 8.03 percent (y-o-y) at the end of April 2025 compared to 11.19 percent growth at the end of April 2024.
- Of the sources of domestic credit, the public sector credit and private sector credit grew by 9.83 percent and 7.50 percent (y-o-y) respectively at the end of April 2025.

### c. Deposits and Currency outside Banks (CoB)

- Both deposits of the banking system and currency outside banks (CoB) increased by 8.21 percent (y-o-y) and 4.92 percent (y-o-y) respectively in April of 2025.



## 2. Reserve money developments

(BDT in crore)

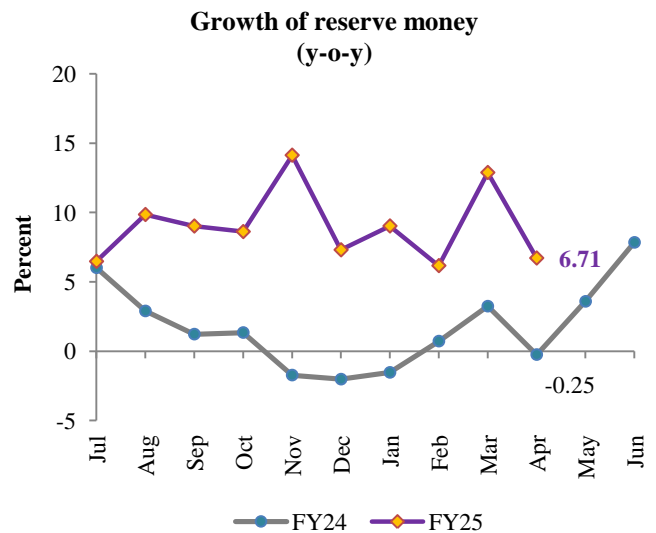
Particulars	June, 2023 <sup>R</sup>	April, 2024 <sup>R</sup>	June, 2024 <sup>R</sup>	April, 2025 <sup>P</sup>	Flow of July-April, FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Flow of July-April, FY25 <sup>P</sup>
1	2	3	4	5	6=(3-2)	7=(5-4)
A. Net Foreign Assets of Bangladesh Bank	287497.50 (-17.33)	219734.50 (-20.34)	245780.70 (-14.51)	251508.20 (+14.46)	-67763.00	5727.50
B. Net Domestic Assets of Bangladesh Bank	96087.70 (+16230.22)	136975.70 (+67.52)	167866.30 (+74.70)	129137.30 (-5.72)	40888.00	-38729.00
Claims on Govt.(net)	157411.90	137437.80	145932.20	89111.60	-19974.10	-56820.60
Claims on other public	3893.40	4194.00	4208.50	7142.60	300.60	2934.10
Claims on DMBs	61847.20	116778.10	170115.40	187463.90	54930.90	17348.50
Other items (net)	-127064.80	-121434.20	-152389.80	-154580.80	5630.60	-2191.00
<b>Reserve money (A+B)</b>	<b>383585.20</b> <b>(+10.49)</b>	<b>356710.20</b> <b>(-0.25)</b>	<b>413647.00</b> <b>(+7.84)</b>	<b>380645.50</b> <b>(+6.71)</b>	<b>-26875.00</b>	<b>-33001.50</b>
A. Currency in circulation	311947.80 (+21.77)	290809.40 (-0.29)	320308.90 (+2.68)	302684.20 (+4.08)	-21138.40	-17624.70
i) Currency outside banks	291913.60 (+23.46)	264349.30 (+0.37)	290436.50 (-0.51)	277366.90 (+4.92)	-27564.30	-13069.60
ii) Cash in tills	20034.20 (+1.52)	26460.10 (-6.42)	29872.40 (+49.11)	25317.30 (-4.32)	6425.90	-4555.10
B. Deposits held with BB*	71637.40 (-21.26)	65900.80 (-0.10)	93338.10 (+30.29)	77961.30 (+18.30)	-5736.60	-15376.80
Money multiplier	4.92	5.46	4.92	5.51	NA	NA

Source: Statistics Department, BB.

Note:- Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes (y-o-y). P = Provisional, R = Revised, NA = Not applicable: Growth rate of NDA at the end of current period=  $[(x_t - x_{t-1})/|x_{t-1}|]$ ; where  $x_t$  = NDA at the end of current period,  $x_{t-1}$  = NDA at the end of previous period and  $|x_{t-1}|$  = absolute value of NDA at the end of previous period.

\*Includes non-bank financial institutions.

- Reserve money (RM) recorded an increase of BDT 23935.30 crore or 6.71 percent (y-o-y) at the end of April 2025.
- Of the sources of reserve money, net foreign assets (NFA) of Bangladesh Bank increased by BDT 31773.70 crore or 14.46 percent (y-o-y). Net domestic assets (NDA) of Bangladesh Bank decreased by BDT 7838.40 crore or 5.72 percent at the end of April 2025 .
- Money multiplier was higher at 5.51 at the end of April 2025, as compared to 5.51 of April 2024.



### 3. Liquidity situation of the scheduled banks

#### a. Bank group-wise liquid assets

(BDT in crore)

Bank Group	As of end June, 2024	As of end March, 2025 <sup>P</sup>						
	Total Liquid Assets	Cash in tills + balances with Sonali Bank Ltd.	Balances with Bangladesh Bank			Unencumbered approved securities	Total Liquid Assets	Minimum Required Liquid Assets <sup>1/</sup>
			Local Currency	Foreign Currency	Total			
1	2	3	4a	4b	4=(4a+4b)	5	6 = (3+4+5)	7
State-owned Banks	144312.23	2555.92	20240.03	24.51	20264.53	136518.64	159339.10	77634.15
Specialised Banks	1901.19	n/a	2019.92	0.77	2020.69	n/a	2020.69	2161.56
Private Banks (Other than Islamic)	234343.00	18502.26	45214.15	47.58	45261.72	235143.79	298907.77	169501.79
Islamic Banks	46893.88	4893.70	11536.68	16.18	11552.86	18045.70	34492.25	37645.72
Foreign Banks	45953.71	772.75	5810.92	85.74	5896.66	35876.27	42545.68	15977.57
<b>Total</b>	<b>473404.01</b>	<b>26724.63</b>	<b>84821.70</b>	<b>174.77</b>	<b>84996.47</b>	<b>425584.40</b>	<b>537305.49</b>	<b>302920.79</b>
(as % of total liquid assets)		(+4.97)	(+15.79)	(+0.03)	(+15.82)	(+79.21)		

Source : Department of Offsite Supervision, BB.

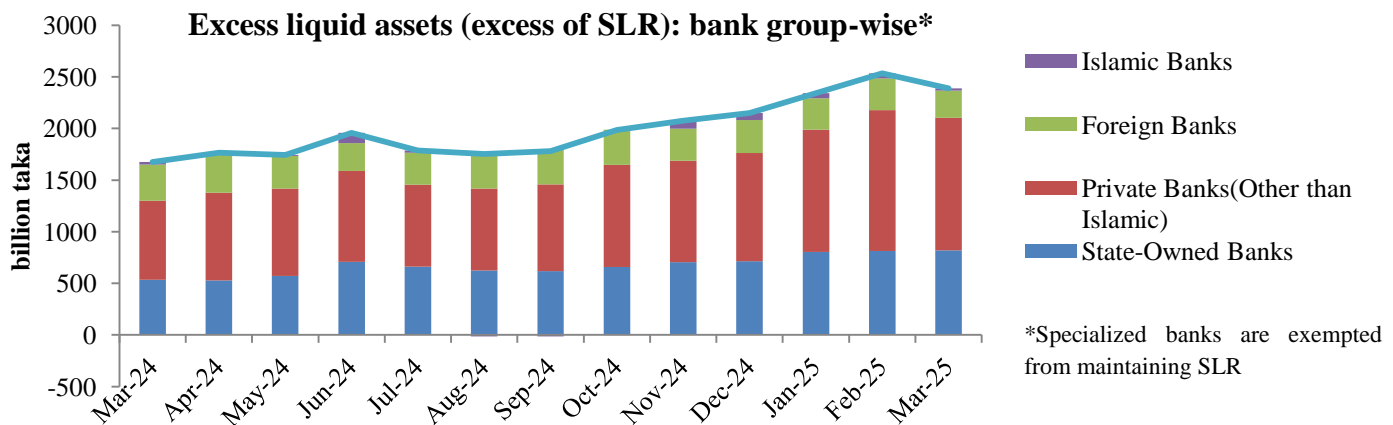
Comment: The data shown in the above table are collected based on the regulatory purposes of Bangladesh Bank (shortfall in required reserves, if any, is registered as zero reserves).

Note :- Figures in parentheses indicate sectoral share in the total liquid assets. P=provisional.

1/ Minimum required liquid assets is the sum of required reserves (@4.0% CRR) and Statutory Liquidity Requirement (SLR) (@13.0% for Conventional Banking and @5.5% for Islamic Banking); moreover, Total Excess Liquid Assets (including securities) stood at BDT 238845.53 crore at the end of March, 2025, which is Total Liquid Assets less Minimum Required Liquid Assets adjusted for various refinance schemes and other programs.

n/a=Data not required for supervision purpose.

- Total liquid assets of scheduled banks increased by 13.50 percent and registered at BDT 537305.49 crore at the end of March 2025 from the level of end June 2024.
- The minimum required liquid assets of the scheduled banks stood at BDT 302920.79 crore at the end of March 2025, while it was BDT 280479.59 crore at the end of June 2024.
- Total excess liquid assets (including securities)<sup>1</sup> increased by 21.97 percent to BDT 238845.53 crore in March 2025 compared to June 2024.



## b. Liquidity indicators of the scheduled banks

As on	Advance/Investment Deposit Ratio (ADR/IDR)	Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR)	Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR)
End December, 2023	80.38%	147.69%	108.45%
End March, 2024	80.98%	145.46%	108.58%
End June, 2024	80.20%	157.88%	109.73%
End September, 2024	81.32%	158.30%	110.09%
End December, 2024	81.17%	157.50%	105.41%

Source: Department of Off-site Supervision, Bangladesh Bank.

- The Advance Deposit Ratio (ADR) of the banking system experienced a decline, settling at 81.17 percent as of December 2024.
- Maintained Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) of the banking sector reached 157.50 percent (provisional) in December 2024, still remaining above the minimum requirement of 100 percent that would cover the banks net cash flows for a minimum of 30 days.<sup>2</sup>
- Minimum regulatory requirement of holding Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) was maintained at 105.41 percent (provisional) in December 2024 compared to 108.45 percent percent in December 2023.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Refer to note under the table of page 05.

<sup>2</sup> LCR measures a bank's need for liquid assets in a stressed environment over the next 30 calendar days: minimum requirement for LCR is greater or equal to 100 percent.

<sup>3</sup> NSFR measures a bank's need for liquid assets in a stressed environment over one year period: minimum requirement for NSFR is greater than 100 percent.

## 4. Financial sector prices

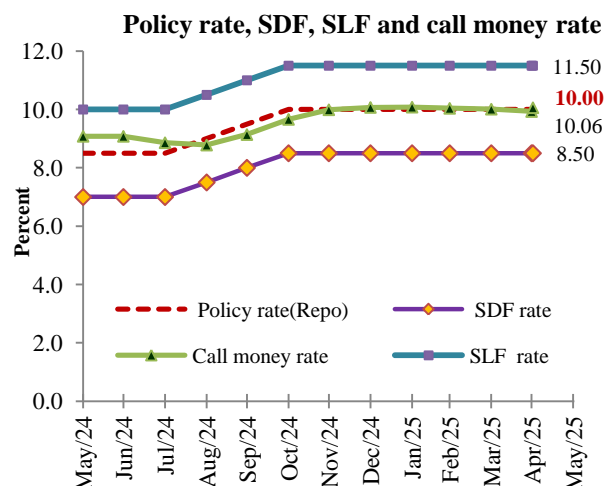
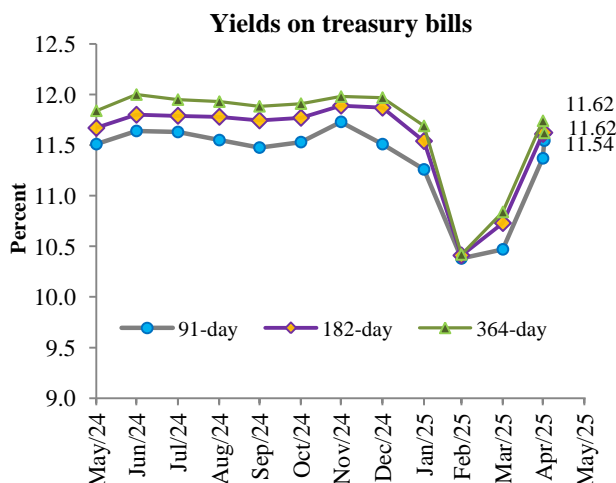
### a. Monthly weighted average yields on bills, bonds, BB policy rates and call money rate

	Treasury Bills			BGTB					FRTB	BB Bills	Policy rate (repo)*	SLF rate*	SDF rate*	Call money rate
	91-Day	182-Day	364-Day	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	15-Year	20-Year	3-Year	90-Day				
<b>FY24</b>														
June	11.64	11.80	12.00	12.25	12.43	12.59	12.70	12.79	---	---	8.50	10.00	7.00	9.08
<b>FY25</b>														
July	11.63	11.79	11.95	12.30	12.40	12.55	12.68	12.74	---	---	8.50	10.00	7.00	8.86
August	11.55	11.78	11.93	12.24	12.36	12.56	12.67	12.74	---	---	9.00	10.50	7.50	8.78
September	11.48	11.74	11.88	12.21	12.36	12.52	12.49	12.69	---	---	9.50	11.00	8.00	9.14
October	11.53	11.77	11.91	12.16	12.28	12.39	12.65	---	12.73	---	10.00	11.50	8.50	9.66
November	11.73	11.89	11.98	12.27	12.32	12.53	12.66	12.71	13.00	---	10.00	11.50	8.50	9.99
December	11.51	11.87	11.97	12.26	12.36	12.41	12.65	12.71	13.19	---	10.00	11.50	8.50	10.07
January	11.26	11.54	11.69	12.09	12.18	12.06	12.21	12.25	13.10	10.90	10.00	11.50	8.50	10.08
February	10.38	10.41	10.42	10.93	10.39	10.23	10.49	11.18	12.75	---	10.00	11.50	8.50	10.04
March	10.47	10.73	10.84	10.94	11.36	11.89	12.23	12.40	12.30	10.87	10.00	11.50	8.50	10.01
April	11.37	11.61	11.74	12.08	12.33	12.42	12.39	12.45	12.98	---	10.00	11.50	8.50	9.93
May	11.54	11.62	11.62	11.82	11.82	11.73	12.14	12.12	12.87	11.77	10.00	11.50	8.50	10.06

Source: Monetary Policy Department and Debt Management Department, Bangladesh Bank; --- = no auction conducted; NA=Not Available.

\* Bangladesh Bank has re-fixed policy Rate, SLF and SDF to 10.00 %, 11.50% and 8.50 % respectively by increasing 50 basis point each, Effective from 27 October 2024.

- The weighted average yield on 91-Day and 182-Day treasury bills increased by 17 basis points and one basis point, while the weighted average yield on 364-Days treasury bill decreased by 12 basis points in May 2025 compared to the previous month.
- The weighted average yield on 90-Days BB bills was 11.77 percent in May 2025.
- The weighted average yield on 2-Year, 5-Year, 10-Year, 15-Year and 20-Year Bangladesh Government Treasury Bond, (BGTB) decreased by 26 basis points, 51 basis points, 69 basis points, 25 basis points and 33 basis points respectively in May of 2025 compared to the previous month and registered at 11.82 percent, 11.82 percent, 11.73 percent, 12.14 percent and 12.12 percent respectively.
- The weighted average yields on 3-Year Floating Rate Treasury Bond (FRTB) decreased by 11 basis point and registered at 12.87 percent in May 2025 compared to the previous month.
- The policy rate continued to be at 10.00 percent resulting in the Standing Lending Facility (SLF) rate and Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) rate being re-fixed at 11.50 percent and 8.50 percent respectively maintaining the 150 basis point corridor with policy rate, with the effect from 27 October 2024.
- Weighted average call money rate increased by 13 basis points to 10.06 percent in May 2025.





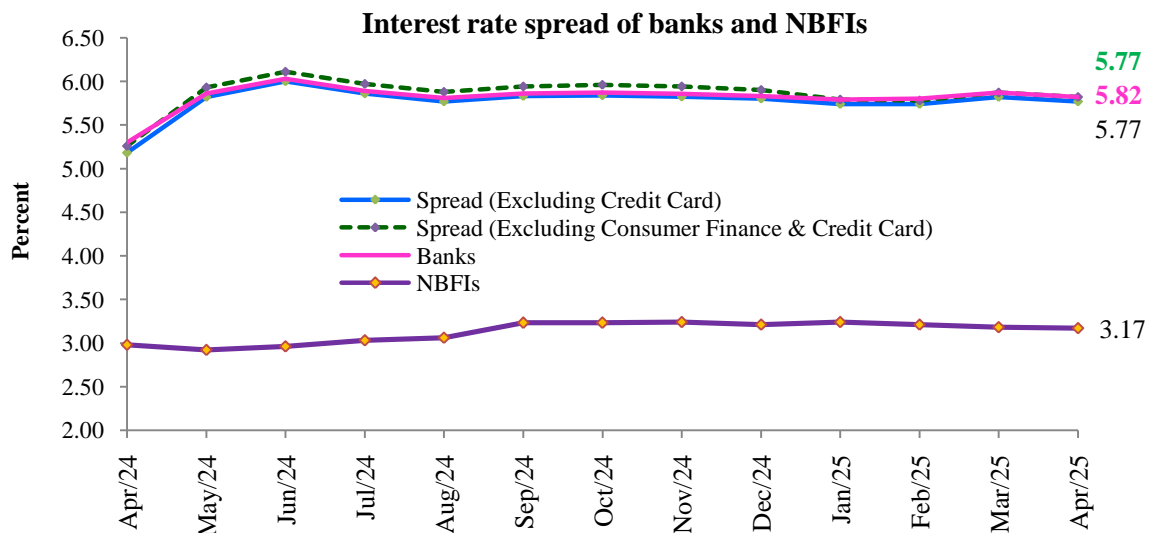
## b. Interest rate spread of banks and non-bank financial institutions

	All Banks							Non-Bank Financial Institutions (NBFIs)		
	WAIR* on deposits	WAIR* on advances	# Spread	Excluding credit card		Excluding consumer finance and credit card		WAIR* on deposits	WAIR* on advances@	# Spread
				WAIR* on advances	Spread#	WAIR* on advances	Spread#			
<b>FY23</b>										
June	4.38	7.31	2.93	7.26	2.88	7.19	2.81	7.93	8.20	0.27
<b>FY24</b>										
June	5.49	11.52	6.03	11.49	6.00	11.60	6.11	9.83	12.79	2.96
<b>FY25</b>										
July	5.68	11.57	5.89	11.54	5.86	11.65	5.97	9.98	13.01	3.03
August	5.76	11.57	5.81	11.53	5.77	11.64	5.88	10.16	13.22	3.06
September	5.84	11.70	5.86	11.67	5.83	11.78	5.94	10.24	13.47	3.23
October	5.90	11.77	5.87	11.74	5.84	11.86	5.96	10.35	13.58	3.23
November	5.99	11.84	5.86	11.81	5.82	11.93	5.94	10.43	13.67	3.24
December	6.01	11.84	5.83	11.81	5.80	11.91	5.90	10.51	13.72	3.21
January	6.10	11.89	5.79	11.84	5.74	11.89	5.79	10.54	13.78	3.24
February	6.14	11.94	5.80	11.88	5.74	11.92	5.78	10.57	13.78	3.21
March	6.17	12.04	5.87	11.99	5.82	12.04	5.87	10.61	13.79	3.18
April	6.23	12.05	5.82	12.00	5.77	12.05	5.82	10.65	13.82	3.17

Source: Debt Management Department and Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

\*WAIR = Weighted Average Interest Rate. #Spread is calculated by deducting WAIR on deposits from sectorwise WAIR on advances; @WAIR on advances for NBFIs was calculated based on the last contractual interest rate for the current bad loans since August 2023.

- The spread between the weighted average interest rate (WAIR) on advances and deposits of all banks decreased by 5 basis points to 5.82 percent in April 2025 compared to the previous month.
- Spread between the WAIR on advances and deposits of NBFIs decreased by one point basis to 3.17 percent in April 2025 compared to the previous month. It is noted that, the WAIR on advance had been being calculated based on the last contractual interest rate for bad loans since August 2023.
- The WAIR on deposits of all banks and NBFIs rose compared to the previous month and reached at 6.23 percent and 10.65 percent respectively in April 2025.
- Interest rate spread of banks and NBFIs are shown in the following chart.



**c. Sector-wise breakdown of interest rate spread of all scheduled banks**

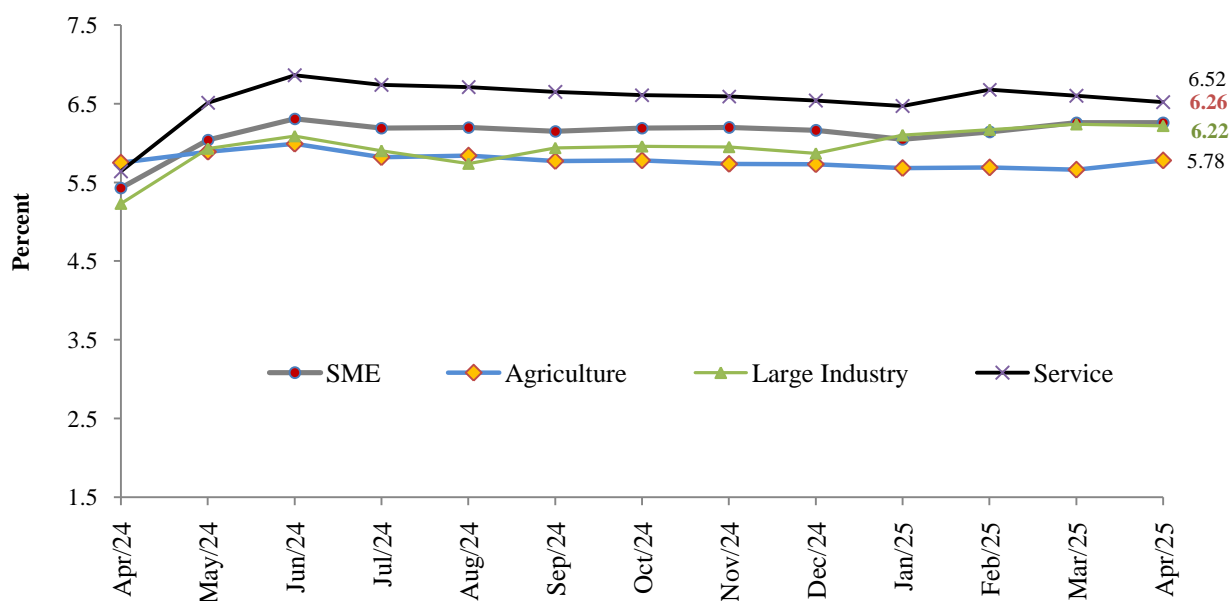
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	Sector-wise break down of interest rate spread of all scheduled banks <sup>#</sup>									
	SME		All other sectors (excluding SME)		Agriculture		Large Industries		Services	
	WAIR* on advances	Spread	WAIR* on advances	Spread	WAIR* on advances	Spread	WAIR* on advances	Spread	WAIR* on advances	Spread
<b>FY23</b>										
June	6.99	2.61	7.39	3.01	7.48	3.10	7.23	2.85	7.66	3.28
<b>FY24</b>										
June	11.80	6.31	11.47	5.98	11.48	5.99	11.58	6.09	12.35	6.86
<b>FY25</b>										
July	11.87	6.19	11.51	5.83	11.50	5.82	11.58	5.90	12.42	6.74
August	11.96	6.20	11.49	5.73	11.60	5.84	11.50	5.74	12.47	6.71
September	11.99	6.15	11.65	5.81	11.61	5.77	11.78	5.94	12.49	6.65
October	12.09	6.19	11.72	5.82	11.68	5.78	11.86	5.96	12.51	6.61
November	12.19	6.20	11.78	5.79	11.72	5.73	11.94	5.95	12.58	6.59
December	12.17	6.16	11.77	5.76	11.74	5.73	11.88	5.87	12.55	6.54
January	12.15	6.05	11.86	5.76	11.78	5.68	12.20	6.10	12.57	6.47
February	12.28	6.14	11.88	5.74	11.83	5.69	12.31	6.17	12.82	6.68
March	12.43	6.26	11.98	5.81	11.83	5.66	12.42	6.25	12.77	6.60
April	12.49	6.26	11.98	5.75	12.01	5.78	12.45	6.22	12.75	6.52

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

\*WAIR = Weighted Average Interest Rate. #Spread is calculated by deducting WAIR on deposits from sectorwise WAIR on advances

- The spread between WAIR on advances and deposits of SMEs, Agriculture, large industries and Services stood at 6.26 percent, 5.78 percent, 6.22 percent and 6.52 percent respectively.
- The spreads between WAIR on deposits and advances of all banks across major sectors of the economy, plotted in the following chart.

**Sector-wise break down of interest rate spread of banks**

## 5. Capital market developments

Annual capital market developments in Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE)						
Outstanding Stock (End of Calendar Year)	Enlisted issues	Issued Capital and Debentures	Market Capitalisation	Turnover during the year	DSE Broad Index (DSEX)	Market Capitalization as % GDP*
2022	656	411716.10	760825.60	234300.21	6206.81	17.06
2023	654	433857.40	780849.60	141059.93	6246.50	22.98

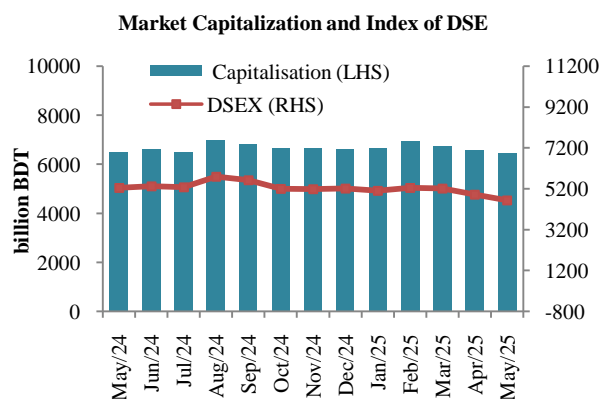
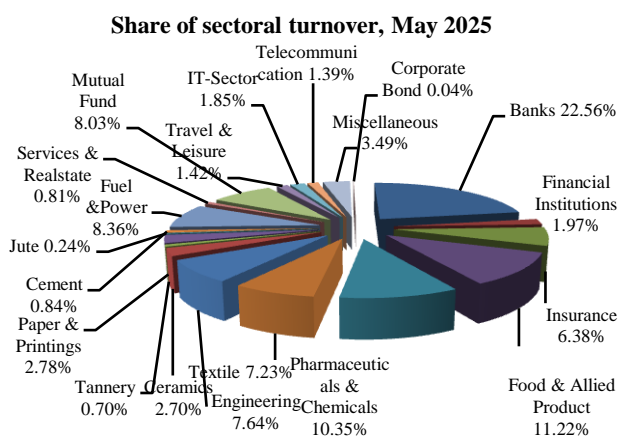
Monthly capital market developments in Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE)						
End Month	Enlisted issues (In number)	Issued Capital and Debentures	Market Capitalisation	Turnover during the month	DSE Broad Index (DSEX)	Market Capitalization as % GDP*
Jul-23	654	431140.80	781278.60	17127.60	6324.81	15.62
Aug-23	652	426626.40	776057.60	9652.43	6299.50	15.51
Sep-23	652	429212.30	777475.50	11306.36	6284.63	15.54
Oct-24	653	435457.30	784267.00	10068.75	6278.66	15.68
Nov-23	650	426458.10	771816.90	9498.20	6223.03	15.43
Dec-23	654	433857.40	780849.60	10206.05	6246.50	15.61
Jan-24	656	435100.50	751734.10	15747.22	6153.34	15.03
Feb-24	658	436772.40	760723.50	23916.23	6254.54	15.21
Mar-24	657	430187.80	683303.80	11402.60	5829.70	13.66
Apr-24	660	445000.60	703511.10	9357.19	5584.65	14.06
May-24	661	442303.00	648922.10	13355.54	5251.96	12.97
Jun-24	660	439961.10	662155.90	8354.50	5328.40	13.24
Jul-24	657	432331.20	649387.10	10917.59	5280.47	11.60
Aug-24	656	432181.20	699581.50	16595.98	5804.42	12.50
Sep-24	657	437738.90	683411.60	14049.63	5624.50	12.21
Oct-24	657	446218.00	665610.10	7661.31	5199.40	11.89
Nov-24	657	447145.40	664838.60	10034.76	5192.59	11.88
Dec-24	656	445498.80	662548.70	7247.35	5216.44	11.84
Jan-25	655	446349.60	664616.40	8025.90	5112.90	11.87
Feb-25	656	454754.80	695094.30	9182.25	5247.30	12.42
Mar-25	656	457154.80	673379.80	7779.63	5219.16	12.03
Apr-25	656	459685.30	656086.20	7160.87	4917.92	11.72
May-25	656	465145.80	646794.20	7017.81	4637.92	11.56

Source : Dhaka Stock Exchange, Dhaka.

\*GDP at current prices (Base 2015-16) for FY24 is collected from Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS). While, GDP target of the Ministry of Finance is used for FY25.

- The DSE Broad Index (DSEX) decreased by 5.69 percent (m-o-m) in May 2025.
- The DSE Shariah index decreased to 1011.36 in May 2025 from 1094.18 in April 2025.
- Market capitalization decreased by 1.42 percent (m-o-m) to BDT 646794.20 crore at the end of May 2025 which is 11.56 percent of forecasted GDP of FY25.
- Total turnover in terms of value decreased by 2.00 percent (m-o-m) and total turnover in terms of volume increased by 30.67 percent (m-o-m) at the end of May 2025.
- The relative strength index (RSI) of DSEX increased to 17.12 in May 2025 from 8.80 in April 2025 remaining within the oversold territory.
- The PE ratio decreased to 8.83 in May 2025 from 9.40 in April 2025.
- The number of enlisted issues (of securities) remained same to 656 in May 2025 compared to April 2025.

The share of individual industries in total turnover is shown in the pie chart:



## 6. Public finance

### a. Government tax revenue collections

(Taka in crore)

Total revenue collections during	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
NBR Tax Revenue	202312.94 (225000.00)	223892.42 (280000.00)	218406.05 (300500.00)	259881.8 (301000.00)	301633.84 (330000.00)	331502.21 (370000.00)	382687.20 (410000.00)
Non-NBR Tax Revenue <sup>1/</sup>	7041.07 (7202.00)	6031.9 (9600.00)	3950.11 (12567.00)	4918.3 (15000.00)	6990.92 (16000.00)	7555.59 (18000.00)	6133.66 (19000.00)
Total Tax Revenue	209354.01 (232202.00)	229924.32 (289600.00)	222356.16 (313068.00)	264800.1 (316000.00)	308624.76 (346000.00)	339010.47 (388000.00)	388820.86 (429000.00)

Note:- Figures in parentheses indicate the target of revenue collection.

1/ Before FY22 Non-NBR tax revenue included narcotics & liquor duty, taxes on vehicals, road tax, land revenue and stamp duty (non judicial); 2/ According to iBAS++ from FY22 onwards. Non-NBR tax revenue includes taxes on financial and capital transactions, narcotic and liquor duty, taxes on use of goods and on permission to use goods or perform activities and stamp duty. NA= Not Available

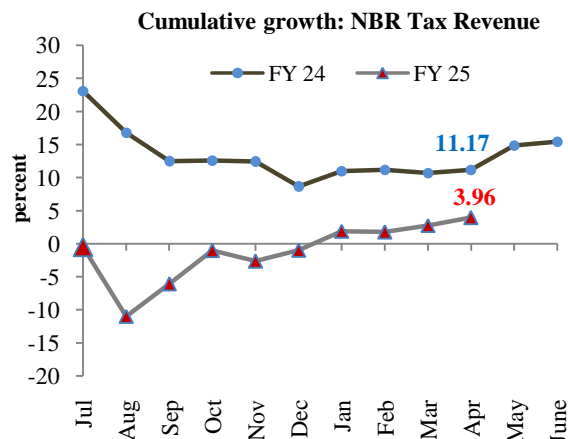
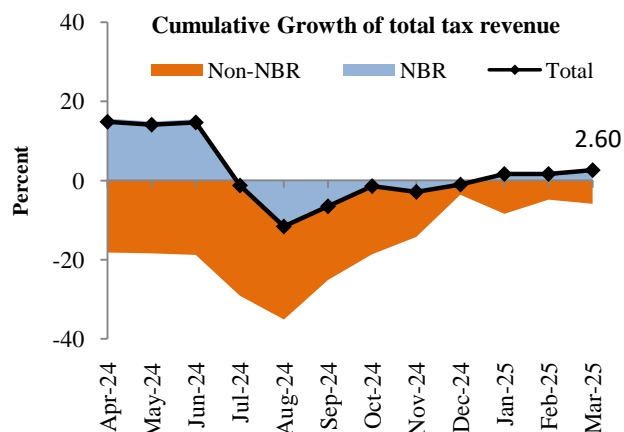
(BDT in crore)

	NBR Tax Revenue					Non-NBR Tax Revenue <sup>1/</sup>	Total Tax Revenue Collections
	Customs duties	VAT	Income Tax	Others*	Total		
	1	2	3	4	5=(1+..+4)		
FY24 <sup>P</sup>							
April	3324.82	11738.82	8444.03	5142.71	28650.38	423.18	29073.56
July-April	32448.17	108269.18	89061.95	48463.39	278242.69 (+11.17)	5108.37 (-18.21)	283351.06 (+10.45)
FY25 <sup>P</sup>							
April	3337.00	12237.00	7950.76	9256.50	32781.26	N.A	N.A
July-April	31597.98	107845.76	93378.83	56445.53	289268.10 (+3.96)	N.A	N.A

Source: National Board of Revenue and Office of the Controller General of Accounts, Bangladesh, Note:-\* others include supplementary tax (local+import), Export, Excise duty, Turnover tax and Travel tax. Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year; P=Provisional, R=Revised. NA=Not Available

1/According to iBAS++ from FY22 onwards. Non-NBR tax revenue includes taxes on financial and capital transactions, narcotic and liquor duty, taxes on use of goods and on permission to use goods or perform activities and stamp duty.

- NBR tax revenue collection increased by 14.42 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025 and this collection during July-April of FY25 was 3.96 percent higher compared to July-April of FY24. VAT, income tax and customs duty stood at 37.28 percent, 32.28 percent and 10.92 percent of total NBR tax revenue respectively during the period under review.
- This collection during July-April of FY25 was 74.99 percent of the target set for the period FY25 (target for NBR tax revenue collection has been set at BDT 358732.91 crore for July-April of FY25).
- Total tax revenue (NBR and Non-NBR) during July-March of FY25 Increased by 2.60 percent (y-o-y), plotted in the following chart on the left-hand side.



**b. Sale and repayments of national savings certificates (NSC)**

(BDT in crore)

FY	Sale	Repayment (Principal)	Net sale	Outstanding at the end of the year*
(1)	(2)	(3)	4=(2-3)	(5)
FY18	78784.68	32254.38	46530.30	237766.52
FY19	90342.39	40402.91	49939.48	287706.00
FY20	67127.75	52699.40	14428.35	302134.35
FY21	112188.24	70228.70	41959.54	344093.89
FY22	108070.53	88154.78	19915.75	364000.97
FY23	80858.63	84154.56	-3295.93	360705.04
FY24	78847.95	99972.35	-21124.40	339580.64

Source:- Department of National Savings (DNS).

(BDT in crore)

Months	Sale	Repayment (Principal)	Net sale(+)/Net repayment(-) <sup>1</sup>	Outstanding at the end period*	Sale	Repayment (Principal)	Net sale(+)/Net repayment(-)	Outstanding at the end period*
FY25 <sup>P</sup>					FY24			
July	4911.57	2724.01	2187.56	341768.20	7860.66	8208.26	-347.60	360357.43
August	4112.49	2076.34	2036.15	343804.35	7049.60	7819.11	-769.51	359587.92
September	5967.89	1858.80	4109.09	347913.44	6745.79	6893.64	-147.85	359440.07
October	5858.57	9083.55	-3224.98	344688.46	7420.02	8460.18	-1040.16	358399.91
November	4719.48	8150.38	-3430.90	341257.56	6794.40	8348.20	-1553.80	356846.11
December	4539.84	8461.13	-3921.29	337336.27	5420.09	7624.41	-2204.32	354641.79
January	6353.24	11122.13	-4768.89	332567.38	7963.90	9251.00	-1287.10	353354.69
February	7559.93	9318.25	-1758.32	330809.06	6691.76	8233.20	-1541.44	351813.25
March	6198.60	6118.05	80.55	330889.61	6291.20	9944.47	-3653.27	348159.98
April	5770.30	4510.55	1259.75	332149.36	5295.13	7398.33	-2103.20	346056.78
<b>July-April</b>	<b>55991.91</b>	<b>63423.19</b>	<b>-7431.28</b>	<b>332149.36</b>	<b>67532.55</b>	<b>82180.81</b>	<b>-14648.26</b>	<b>346056.78</b>
	<b>(-17.09)</b>	<b>(-22.82)</b>	<b>(-49.27)</b>	<b>(-4.02)</b>	<b>(-0.74)</b>	<b>(+14.75)</b>	<b>(-309.19)</b>	<b>(-3.99)</b>
Target for net sale of NSCs has been set at BDT 15,400.00 crore for FY25.								

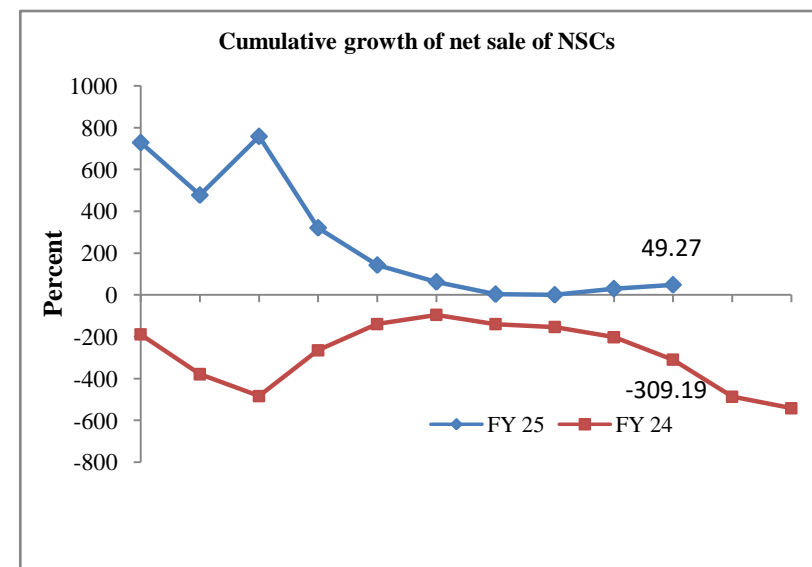
Source:- Department of National Savings (DNS).

Note:- Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year.

P=Provisional; \*Outstanding = Net sale+Outstanding at the end previous month;



- Total sale of National Savings Certificates (NSC) during July-April of FY25 amounted to BDT 55991.91 crore which was 17.09 percent lower compared to the same period of preceding fiscal year.
- Total repayment of NSC decreased by 22.82 percent to 63423.19 crore during July-April of FY25 compared to the same time of previous fiscal year.
- The net repayment of NSC during July-April of FY25 decreased by 49.27 percent (y-o-y), resulting in a net repayment of BDT 7431.28 crore.
- Outstanding amount of NSC stood at BDT 332149.36 crore at the end of April 2025, which was 4.02 percent lower compared to the same month of the previous fiscal year.



**c. Government deficit financing**

(BDT in crore)

FY	Net borrowing(+)/repayment(-) of the Govt. from the banking system <sup>1/</sup>	Net non-bank borrowing(+)/repayment(-) of the Govt. from the public <sup>2/</sup>	Total net domestic financing	Net foreign financing <sup>3/</sup>	Total net financing	Total net financing as % of GDP <sup>@</sup> at current market price	Outstanding Domestic debt (end period) <sup>4/</sup>	Outstanding domestic debt as % of GDP <sup>@</sup> at current market price
1	2	3	4=(2+3)	5	6=(4+5)	7	8	9
FY20	66907.60	22986.27	89893.87	50999.13	140893.00	4.44	518156.22	16.34
FY21	39790.00	44280.64	84070.64	47402.71	131473.35	3.72	602226.86	17.06
FY22	61940.50	26925.08	88865.58	73197.27	162072.00	4.08	691092.44	17.40
FY23	102017.30	7651.84	109669.14	74645.22	184314.36	4.10	800761.58	17.83
FY24	37563.80	12893.94	50457.74	92021.72	142479.46	2.85	851219.32	17.02
July-April of FY24	26736.50	13943.60	40680.10	51055.68	91735.78	1.83	841441.68	16.82
July-April of FY25	30404.60	32478.38	62882.98	35776.72	98659.70	1.76	914102.30	16.33

Source: Statistics Department and Debt Management Department, Bangladesh Bank; Department of National Savings (DNS); Ministry of Finance & Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS).

<sup>1/</sup> Excludes interest. <sup>2/</sup> Includes treasury bills & bonds (both in face value, Bangladesh Government Investment Sukuk included since December 2020) held by the non-bank financial institutions through secondary auctions, Net sale (NSCs) and excludes P.Bonds/income tax Bonds. <sup>3/</sup> Total foreign aid disbursement less amortization payment (converted using cumulative exchange rate of the corresponding period).

<sup>4/</sup> Outstanding Domestic Debt (end period) = Outstanding domestic debt of a fiscal year + Total Domestic financing of the following fiscal year. @ Annual GDP target from Budget at a Glance (2024-25) is used for calculation of FY25 ratios.

- The total net domestic borrowing during the July-April of FY25 was BDT 62882.98 crore, which included net borrowing of BDT 30404.60 crore from the banking system and net borrowing of BDT 32478.38 crore from the public (non-bank).
- Net foreign financing decreased by 29.93 percent (y-o-y) to BDT 35776.72 crore during July-April of FY25.
- Total net deficit financing of the government was BDT 98659.70 crore during July-April of FY25, which was BDT 91735.78 crore during July-April of FY24.
- As per budget for FY25, targets for government's borrowing from the banking system (net), non-banking system (net) and foreign sources (net) for FY25 has been set at BDT 1375.00 billion, BDT 234.00 billion and BDT 907.00 billion respectively. Total net deficit financing during July-April of FY25 was 1.76 percent of GDP target.

## 7. Price and wage index and inflation at national level

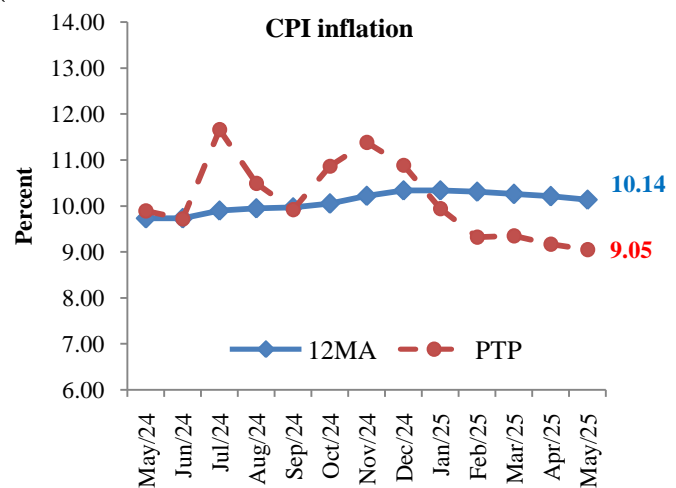
### a. Consumer price index (CPI) and rate of inflation at national level<sup>1</sup>

	Twelve-Month Average						Point to Point					
Base: FY2021-22 = 100*												
FY	General		Food		Non-food		General		Food		Non-food	
	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation
FY23	109.02	9.02	108.71	8.71	109.39	9.39	112.46	9.74	112.25	9.73	112.63	9.60
FY24	119.63	9.73	120.30	10.66	119.09	8.86	123.38	9.72	123.94	10.42	122.93	9.15
FY25												
July	120.73	9.90	121.62	11.02	120.00	8.89	126.06	11.66	128.64	14.10	123.96	9.68
August	121.75	9.95	122.76	10.93	120.93	9.03	129.34	10.49	133.72	11.36	125.77	9.74
September	122.73	9.97	123.82	10.77	121.84	9.17	130.61	9.92	135.21	10.40	126.87	9.50
October	123.82	10.05	125.13	10.79	122.76	9.26	133.32	10.87	139.58	12.66	128.22	9.34
November	124.95	10.22	126.51	11.06	123.68	9.36	132.66	11.38	136.61	13.80	129.44	9.39
December	126.03	10.34	127.77	11.33	124.60	9.41	131.29	10.89	132.65	12.92	130.19	9.26
January	127.02	10.34	128.83	11.42	125.54	9.41	131.49	9.94	130.97	10.72	131.90	9.32
February	127.95	10.31	129.75	11.39	126.48	9.41	131.29	9.32	130.08	9.24	132.26	9.38
March	128.90	10.26	130.65	11.29	127.47	9.42	132.98	9.35	132.35	8.93	133.49	9.70
April	129.83	10.21	131.53	11.15	128.44	9.44	133.50	9.17	133.21	8.63	133.74	9.61
May	130.75	10.14	132.40	10.96	129.41	9.46	133.08	9.05	131.85	8.59	134.09	9.42

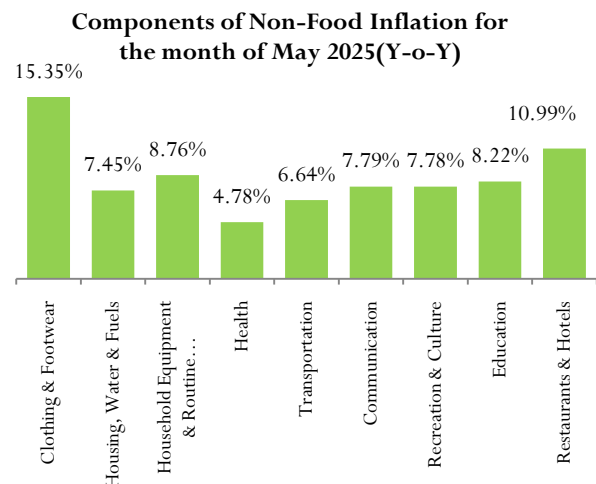
Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), Ministry of Planning.

\*Twelve month average food and non-food indices have been calculated after shifting base fr

- Headline inflation (point to point) decreased by 12 basis points to 9.05 percent in May 2025 from previous month.
- The decrease in headline inflation (p-t-p) was primarily driven by decrease in non-food prices.
- Food and non-food inflation (p-t-p) decreased to 8.59 percent and 9.42 percent respectively in May 2025 compare to the previous month.
- The twelve-month average headline inflation also declined to 10.14 percent in May 2025 from previous month.



- Among the components of non-food inflation, the highest inflation of 15.35 percent (p-t-p) was observed in clothing and footwear.
- In May 2025, urban inflation stood at 9.50 percent (p-t-p), whereas rural inflation was lower at 9.05 percent (p-t-p).



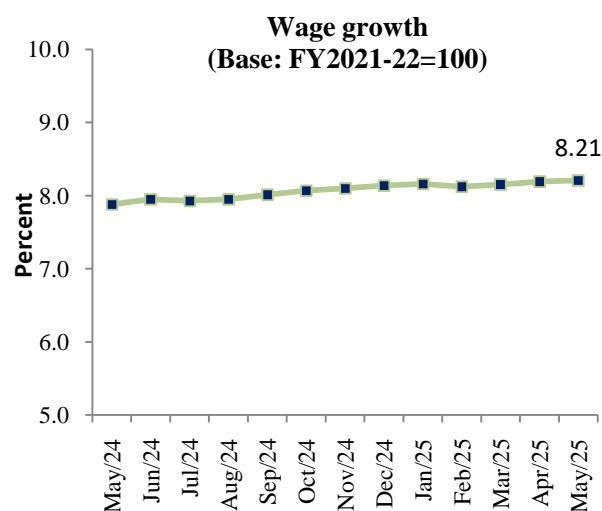
<sup>1</sup>BBS has changed the base of CPI from 2005-06 to 2021-22 along with new basket weights, methodologies and introducing classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose (COICOP). (Details about the new base can be found in the volumes before 09/2023 September 2023, of this document.)

## b. Wage Rate Index (WRI) and growth rate at national level<sup>1</sup>

Point to Point								
FY	General		Agriculture		Industry		Service	
	Index	Growth	Index	Growth	Index	Growth	Index	Growth
Base: FY2010-11 = 100								
FY23	211.19	7.04	211.50	7.47	206.67	7.00	219.00	7.76
Base: FY2021-22 = 100								
FY24	118.87	7.74	119.21	8.33	118.14	7.42	120.15	8.50
FY25								
July	119.13	7.93	119.45	8.21	118.40	7.52	120.53	8.27
August	119.93	7.95	120.36	8.25	119.10	7.54	121.22	8.24
September	121.21	8.01	121.71	8.28	120.31	7.61	122.41	8.29
October	122.41	8.07	122.91	8.32	121.56	7.69	123.44	8.37
November	123.83	8.10	124.54	8.36	122.76	7.72	124.81	8.40
December	124.74	8.14	125.48	8.39	123.62	7.77	125.76	8.43
January	125.60	8.16	126.36	8.41	124.40	7.80	126.76	8.44
February	126.83	8.12	127.57	8.34	125.61	7.80	128.16	8.37
March	127.62	8.15	128.42	8.37	126.33	7.82	128.96	8.40
April	127.88	8.19	128.67	8.40	126.61	7.87	129.25	8.42
May	128.33	8.21	129.09	8.43	127.06	7.90	129.85	8.45

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), Ministry of Planning.

- The headline wage rate growth saw a year-on-year rise of 0.33 percentage point, reaching 8.21 percent in May of FY25 compared to May of FY24. This figure also marks a slight month-on-month increase of 0.02 percentage point from 8.19 percent recorded in April 2025.
- Wage growth in agriculture sector increased by 3 basis points to 8.43 percent (y-o-y) in May 2025 from 8.40 percent (y-o-y) in April 2025.
- Wage growth in industry sector also increased by 3 basis point to 7.90 percent (y-o-y) in May 2025 as compared to previous month.
- In May 2025, the service sector recorded a year-on-year wage growth of 8.45 percent, marginally up from 8.42 percent in April 2025, making it the highest among all sectors.
- Rangpur division exhibited highest wage rate growth (8.56 percent) while lowest growth was observed in Chattogram division (7.67 percent).



<sup>1</sup>BBS has changed the base of WRI from 2010-11 to 2021-22, with the help of Labor Force Survey 2016-17, and have been publishing the index with this new base since July 2023.

## 8. Industrial production

### a. Industrial production of manufacturing industry

- The production index of all manufacturing enterprises (large, SMME and cottage) increased by 8.54 percent to 238.05 in March 2025 from 219.31 in March 2024. The average index increased by 5.87 percent to 219.68 during July-March of FY25 as compared to same period of FY24.

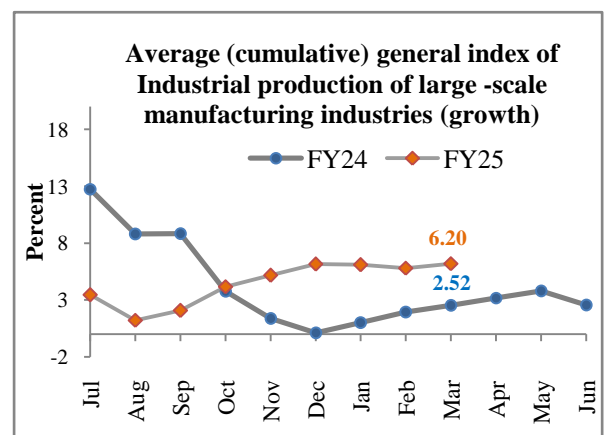
### b. Index of Industrial Production (IIP): large-scale manufacturing industry (Base: FY2015-16 = 100)

Monthly			Average		
	General Index	Percentage change (y-o-y)	Period	Average index	Percentage change (y-o-y)
			July-June, FY24	201.39	-0.13
Jul-24(P)	203.33	3.44			
Aug-24(P)	195.28	-1.13	July-August, FY25	199.31	1.15
Sep-24(P)	197.75	3.85	July-September, FY25	198.79	2.03
Oct-24(P)	188.80	11.39	July-October, FY25	196.29	4.14
Nov-24(P)	220.47	8.94	July-November, FY25	201.13	5.15
Dec-24(P)	246.58	10.37	July-December, FY25	208.70	6.14
Jan-25(P)	255.61	5.82	July-January, FY25	215.40	6.09
Feb-25(P)	223.76	3.77	July-February, FY25	216.45	5.78
Mar-25(P)	238.97	9.35	July-March, FY25	218.95	6.20

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS).

P = Provisional.

- The general index of industrial production (large scale manufacturing) during July-March of FY25 increased by 6.20 percent (y-o-y) compared to 2.52 percent increase of the same period of previous year.
- The industrial sector contributed 35.27 percent to nominal GDP in FY24 while it was 35.77 percent in FY23. Moreover, of the components of industrial sector- manufacturing sector contributed 22.65 percent to GDP in FY24 compared to 23.10 percent in FY23.



### c. Index of Industrial Production (IIP) of small, medium and micro enterprise (SMME) and small-scale (cottage) manufacturing industry (Base: FY2015-16 = 100)<sup>1</sup>

- The general index of industrial production of small, medium and micro enterprise (SMME) increased by 7.51 percent (y-o-y) and reached 245.08 in March 2025. The average index increased by 5.36 percent to 224.72 during July-March of FY25 as compared to same period of FY24.
- The general production index for cottage industries increased also by 7.96 percent to 222.64 in March 2024 compared to the same month of the previous year. The said index was also 0.48 percent higher compared to the previous month (February 2025). Moreover, the average index increased by 5.87 percent to 212.87 during July-March of FY25 as compared to same period of FY24.

<sup>1</sup>According to base: FY2015-16=100. Monthly data were introduced instead of quarterly data for the new base (FY2015-16=100) since October 2022.



## 9. Food Situations

Fiscal Year	Food Grain Production Target	Actual Domestic Production (Gross)	Net Domestic Production*	Food grain Imports			Public Domestic Procurement	Public Distribution	Foodgrain Stock (Public)*** (End June)
				Public**	Private	Total			
FY19	373.12	374.08	336.67	5.44	52.90	58.34	24.15	25.94	16.74
FY20	399.69	376.32	338.69	4.36	60.02	64.38	18.71	27.77	11.20
FY21	395.53	386.93	348.24	10.52	56.50	67.02	15.53	32.63	14.48
FY22	407.08	392.31	353.08	12.29	37.70	49.99	20.20	30.77	16.07
FY23	427.32	402.65	362.39	13.14	36.17	49.31	19.43	30.08	18.48
FY24	446.50	418.69	376.82	7.84	58.44	66.28	21.62	32.61	14.73
FY25 <sup>T</sup>	442.20	...	...	16.00	...	16.00	18.35	38.64	...

Note : <sup>T</sup>=Target; --- = Data not available

\*= After 10% deduction for seed, feed, waste etc., \*\*Including food aid, \*\*\*Without transit, Rice= Aus, Aman and Boro.

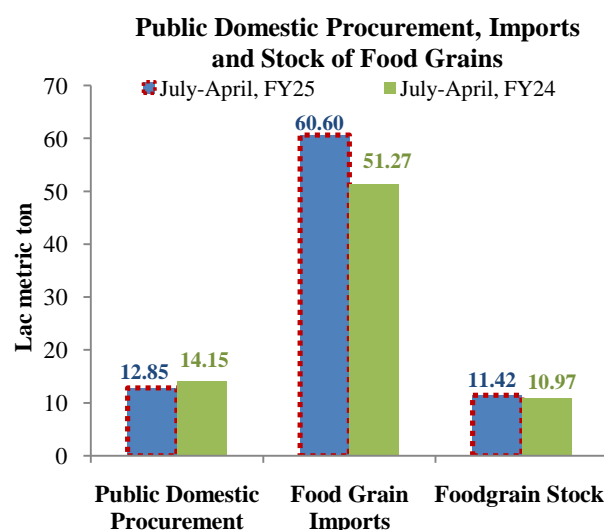
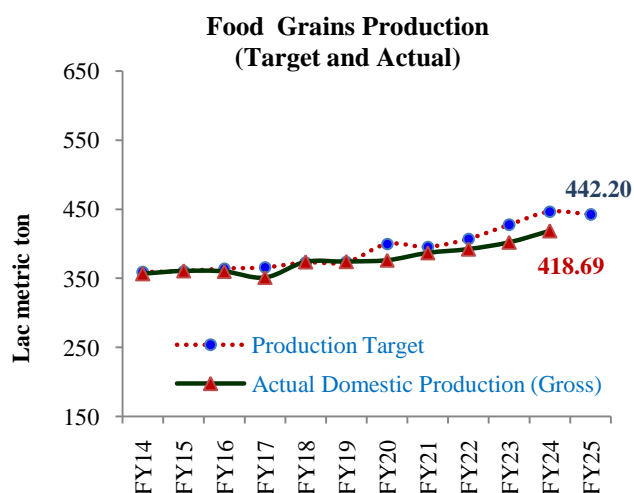
### Production, Public Domestic Procurement, Imports and Stock of Food Gains

Particulars	(In lac metric ton)	
	July-April of FY25	July-April of FY24
1. Production (Aus)	27.93	29.01
Imports (Rice & Wheat)	60.60	51.27
3. Procurement (Rice: Boro and Aman)	12.85	14.15
4. Distribution (Rice & Wheat)	25.97	27.23
5. Outstanding Food Stock at end of April 2025 (Rice & Wheat) ***	11.42	10.97

Note : \*\*\*Without transit.

Source : Food Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU), Ministry of Food. N/A= Not Available

- Food production during FY24 was 418.69 lac metric tons; which was 3.98 percent higher compared to FY23.
- Food grain (Aus, Aman, Boro and wheat) production target is set at 442.20 lac metric tons for FY25.
- Import (rice and wheat) rose by 9.33 lac metric tons (y-o-y), while procurement of rice (boro and aman) and distribution (rice and wheat) decreased by 1.30 lac metric tons (y-o-y) and 1.26 lac metric tons (y-o-y) respectively during July-April of FY25 compared to the same period of FY24.
- Stock of food grains was increased by 0.45 lac metric tons at the end of April of FY25 compared to the same period of previous fiscal year.



## 10. Agricultural credit and non-farm rural credit

### a. Agricultural credit

Month	(BDT in crore)		(BDT in crore)	
	Disbursement	Recovery	Disbursement	Recovery
	FY23		FY24	
July-June	27032.64 (+20.09)	27248.51 (+26.42)	31544.61 (+16.69)	30049.47 (+10.28)
Month	FY25 <sup>P</sup>		FY24	
July	1551.74	2145.85	1687.57	2303.14
August	1792.58	2525.72	2797.05	2101.18
September	2282.59	3193.21	2929.83	2308.75
October	2654.11	2737.97	2713.14	2514.81
November	3255.32	3211.56	2943.01	3069.69
December	2815.91	2532.15	2621.66	2899.26
January	2674.71	4046.94	2540.75	2131.06
February	2542.99	560.63	2113.18	1991.22
March	2363.91	2625.67	2501.20	2317.82
April	2855.75	3028.71	2927.26	3019.69
July-April	24789.60 (-3.82)	26608.42 (+7.92)	25774.65 (+15.14)	24656.62 (+10.58)

Source: Agricultural Credit Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Figures in parentheses indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year. P = Provisional

Programmed level for total disbursement of agricultural credit and non-farm rural credit was set to Tk.38000.00 crore for FY25.

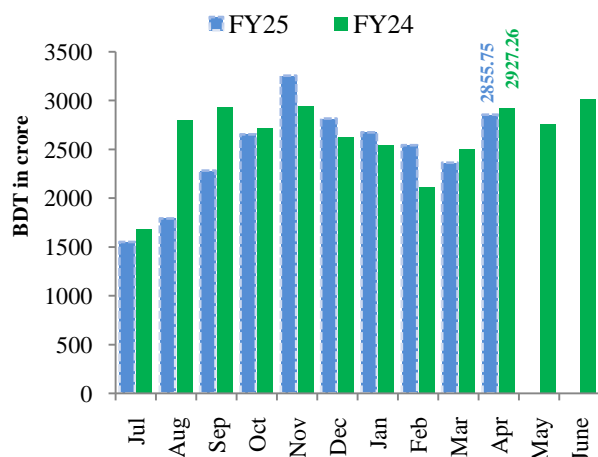
Note:- Agricultural credit includes credit to crops, irrigation equipment, agri equipment, live-stock &amp; poultry firm, fisheries, grain storage &amp; marketing. Non-farm rural credit includes credit to poverty alleviation and others.

### b. Non-farm rural credit

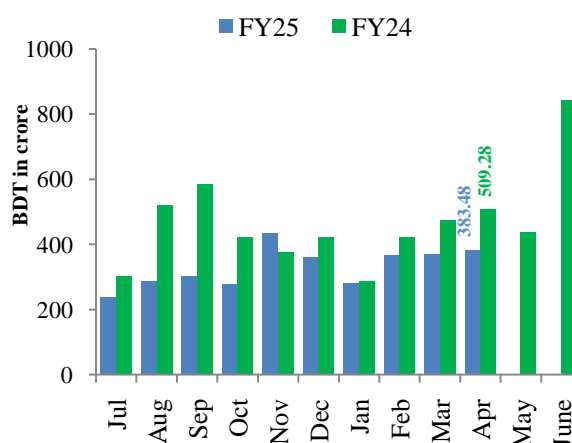
Month	(BDT in crore)		(BDT in crore)	
	Disbursement	Recovery	Disbursement	Recovery
	FY23		FY24	
July-June	5797.25 (-8.33)	5761.58 (-2.50)	5609.29 (-3.24)	5522.15 (-4.16)
Month	FY25 <sup>P</sup>		FY24	
July	238.97	387.94	303.70	407.18
August	287.62	385.95	519.94	439.08
September	304.68	571.30	586.55	454.98
October	279.07	374.48	422.73	419.33
November	434.47	535.52	376.60	400.31
December	362.05	515.61	424.39	461.83
January	281.66	-1386.85	286.93	399.99
February	367.51	2085.73	423.72	359.90
March	370.67	393.93	475.68	431.21
April	383.48	333.79	509.28	518.75
July-April	3310.19 (-23.54)	4197.39 (-2.22)	4329.52 (-4.73)	4292.56 (-6.49)

- Total disbursement of agriculture and non-farm rural credit registered at BDT 28099.79 crore during July-April of FY25, of which BDT 24789.60 crore was disbursed as agriculture credit and BDT 3310.19 crore as non-farm rural credit.
- The disbursement of agricultural credit and non-farm rural credit declined by 3.82 percent (y-o-y) and 23.54 percent (y-o-y) respectively during July-April of FY25 compared to the same period of preceding fiscal year.
- Recovery of agriculture credit increased by 7.92 percent (y-o-y), while the same for non-farm rural credit decreased by 2.22 percent (y-o-y) during July- April of FY25.

Agricultural credit disbursement



Non-farm rural credit disbursement



### c. Overdue and outstanding agricultural and non-farm rural credit

End Month	(BDT in crore)			(BDT in crore)		
	FY25 <sup>P</sup>			FY24 <sup>R</sup>		
	Overdue	Outstanding	Overdue as % of outstanding	Overdue	Outstanding	Overdue as % of outstanding
April	9992.80 (-0.02)	57153.48 (+1.18)	17.48	9994.89 (+43.83)	56487.15 (+9.35)	17.69

Source: Agricultural Credit Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Note:- Figures in parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year. P = Provisional, R = Revised.

- Overdue of agriculture and non-farm rural credit as percentage of its total outstanding decreased and stood at 17.48 percent in April of FY25 compared to the same month of FY24.
- Outstanding agriculture and non-farm rural credit registered 1.18 percent (y-o-y) growth in April of FY25 compared to the same month of FY24.

## 11. Industrial and CMSME loans

### a. Industrial term loans

(BDT in crore)

Period	Disbursement				Recovery			
	LSI	MSI	SSCI	Total	LSI	MSI	SSCI	Total
<b>FY20</b>	59654.85	8139.33	6462.83	74257.01	54117.66	7876.24	7729.97	69723.87
<b>FY21</b>	54625.71	7525.13	6614.40	68765.24	46413.44	6072.58	6002.69	58488.71
<b>FY22</b>	56033.47	6765.93	9561.56	72360.96	49986.89	7610.07	7265.62	64862.58
<b>FY23</b>	67611.76	9073.33	18486.94	95172.03	63235.82	8938.12	34219.29	106393.23
<b>FY24</b>								
July-September	20721.44 (+46.75)	2012.49 (+38.89)	3460.07 (+15.60)	26194.00 (+41.11)	17831.89 (+15.18)	1759.15 (-14.84)	3121.81 (+1.94)	22712.86 (+10.20)
October-December	26954.79 (+36.08)	2602.37 (+14.83)	4206.06 (-43.92)	33763.22 (+14.16)	18819.64 (-14.00)	2751.19 (-8.52)	3492.10 (-86.41)	25062.93 (-50.46)
	Overdue				Outstanding			
	LSI	MSI	SSCI	Total	LSI	MSI	SSCI	Total
Oct-Dec of FY23	37519.83	11730.63	5064.55	54315.01	267479.86	50979.84	41591.45	360051.15
Oct-Dec of FY24	52805.53	12511.03	5750.26	71066.82	343393.77	55328.59	35085.40	433807.76

Source: SME & Special Programmes Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Note:- Figures in parentheses indicate changes over the same period of the previous year.

LSI=Large Scale Industries, MSI=Medium Scale Industries, SSCI= Small Scale & Cottage Industries.

- Total disbursement of industrial term loans increased by 14.16 percent (y-o-y) while the recovery of industrial term loans decreased drastically by 50.46 percent (y-o-y) during the period of October-December of FY24 as compared to that of the previous fiscal year.
- Disbursement of large industry term loan showed a significant increase of 36.08 percent(y-o-y) while the disbursement of small industry term loan decreased by 43.92 percent(y-o-y) for the period of October-December of FY24.
- Outstanding amount of industrial term loans at the end of October-December quarter of FY24 stood at BDT 433807.76 crore.
- Overdue of industrial term loans at the end of October-December quarter of FY24 was BDT 71066.82 crore, which was 16.38 percent of the outstanding amount.

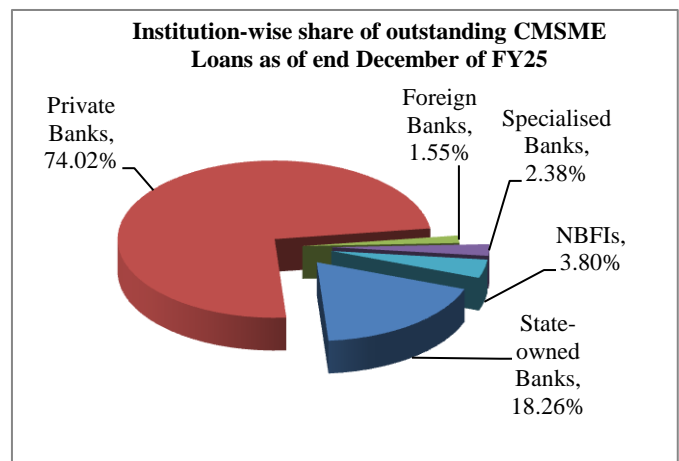
## b. Disbursement, recovery and outstanding situation of CMSME loans<sup>1</sup>

(BDT in crore)

Banks/NBFIs FY/Quarter	CMSME Loans	State-owned Banks	Private Banks Including Islami Banks	Foreign Banks	Specialised Banks	Non-Bank Financial Institutions	Total
FY23	Disbursement	24425.80	180703.64	5268.50	4560.55	9145.37	224103.87
	Recovery	12107.46	167326.42	4331.28	3614.35	7408.15	194787.66
	Outstanding of CMSME Loans	52933.35	221182.11	3488.31	5217.62	13020.63	295842.02
	Outstanding of Total Loans	296552.55	1076559.00	48325.91	37396.48	54885.20	1513719.14
FY24	Disbursement	23214.03	181701.16	6008.60	6069.47	8137.53	225130.79
	Recovery	11680.82	169872.20	6596.25	5060.83	7584.71	200794.81
	Outstanding of CMSME Loans	55879.79	227689.69	3726.71	6559.60	12264.07	306119.87
	Outstanding of Total Loans	312063.77	1195203.26	56291.05	41436.74	55854.38	1660849.20
Oct-Dec, FY24	Disbursement	8008.81	51124.75	1334.85	1989.83	2383.75	64841.99
	Recovery	3247.99	46782.09	1837.40	1651.73	1921.00	55440.21
	Outstanding of CMSME Loans	55253.13	226382.26	3834.09	5956.76	12815.22	304241.45
	Outstanding of Total Loans	312702.30	1137000.35	47434.68	38665.39	56049.48	1591852.20
Oct-Dec, FY25	Disbursement	5072.54	50308.29	2594.05	2375.15	2230.74	62580.78
	Recovery	5265.97	46944.67	1189.52	2033.08	1800.79	57234.03
	Outstanding of CMSME Loans	57177.93	231808.19	4839.96	7456.39	11893.29	313175.76
	Outstanding of Total Loans	318400.61	1234067.40	52349.64	42144.57	55074.43	1702036.65
% changes of Disbursement of CMSME loans during Oct-Dec, FY25 over Oct-Dec, FY24		-36.66	-1.60	94.33	19.36	-6.42	-3.49
Outstanding CMSME Loans as % of Total Outstanding loans at the end of December of FY25		17.96	18.78	9.25	17.69	21.59	18.40
% changes of Outstanding of CMSME loans at the end of December of FY25 over December of FY24		3.48	2.40	26.23	25.18	-7.19	2.94

Source: SME & Special Programmes Department, Bangladesh Bank.

- Disbursement of Cottage, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (CMSME) loans decreased by 3.49 percent (y-o-y) during October-December of FY25 compared to the same quarter of the preceding year.
- CMSME loans disbursement increased by 41.58 percent (q-o-q) during October-December of FY25 (over July-September of FY25).
- Disbursement of CMSME loans increased by 0.46 percent during of FY24 compared to the previous fiscal year.



- Outstanding of CMSME loans at the end of December of FY25 was 2.94 percent higher compared to the same month of the previous fiscal year.
- Outstanding CMSME loans was 18.40 percent of the total outstanding loans at the end of December of FY25.
- Private banks dominate CMSME financing landscape with 74.02 percent share (financial institutions wise share of CMSME loans as of end December of FY25 is shown in the pie diagram above).

<sup>1</sup> Table presented using latest available data and will be updated when new data is available.

## 12. a. Monthly exports

Month	(USD in million)		(In Percent)
	FY25 <sup>P</sup>	FY24 <sup>R</sup>	Growth (y-o-y)
July	3823.73	3715.60	2.91
August	4033.68	3820.10	5.59
September	3800.49	3296.90	15.27
October	4130.92	3430.20	20.43
November	4111.86	3560.12	15.50
December	4633.20	3940.43	17.58
January	4432.04	4197.33	5.59
February	3973.20	3871.50	2.63
March	4246.84	3813.56	11.36
April	3031.15	2991.64	1.32
May	4732.18	4091.60	15.66
<b>July-May</b>	<b>44949.29</b> <b>(+10.36)</b>	<b>40728.98</b> <b>(-4.28)</b>	

Source: National Board of Revenue, compiled by Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.  
R=Revised data; P=Provisional.

Note:- Figures in parentheses indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year.

- In May 2025, Exports rose by 15.66 percent and stood at 4.73 billion compared to 4.09 billion in May 2024.
- During July-May of FY25, exports experienced a growth(y-o-y) of 10.36 percent, reaching USD 44.95 billion. This surge was primarily fueled by the strong performance of both knitwear and woven garments accounting for 81.31 percent (43.64 percent and 37.67 percent respectively) of total export earnings.

## b. Category-wise breakdown of exports<sup>1</sup>

Particulars	July- May of FY25	July-May of FY24	(USD in million)	
			Change of July-May of FY25 over July-May of FY24	
			In amount	In percent
1. Woven Garments	16931.78	15440.61	1491.18	+9.66
2. Knitwear	19618.01	17607.23	2010.78	+11.42
3. Home Textiles	741.26	720.22	21.05	+2.92
4. Agricultural Products	928.99	896.16	32.83	+3.66
5. Jute and Jute Goods	852.23	868.53	-16.30	-1.88
6. Leather and Leather Products	1057.94	937.30	120.64	+12.87
7. Frozen and Live fish	410.45	348.13	62.32	+17.90
8. Chemical Products	342.00	319.48	22.52	+7.05
9. Plastic Products	270.42	227.61	42.82	+18.81
10. Engineering Products	507.78	462.84	44.94	+9.71
11. Others	3288.43	2900.88	387.55	+13.36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>44949.29</b>	<b>40728.98</b>	<b>4220.31</b>	<b>10.36</b>

- Knitwear and woven garments exports increased by 11.42 percent and 9.66 percent respectively during July- May of FY25 as compared to the same period of the previous fiscal year.
- During July-May of FY25, several export categories demonstrated notable growth. Plastic products led the surge with a remarkable 18.81 percent increase, followed by frozen and live fish at 17.90 percent. Leather and leather goods exports rose by 12.87 percent. Engineering products, chemical products, agricultural product and home textiles experienced growth of 9.71 percent, 7.05 percent, 3.66 percent and 2.92 percent respectively. Decrease in exports were observed only for jute and jute goods (-1.88 percent) during July-May of FY25 as compared to the preceding fiscal year.

<sup>1</sup> Data is revised by National Board of Revenue, compiled by Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.



### 13. Imports

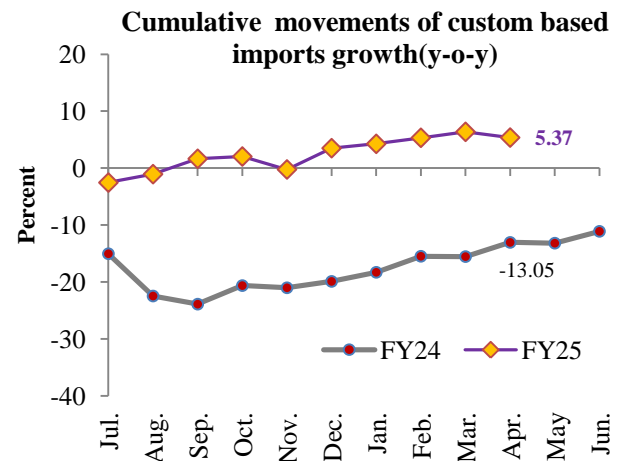
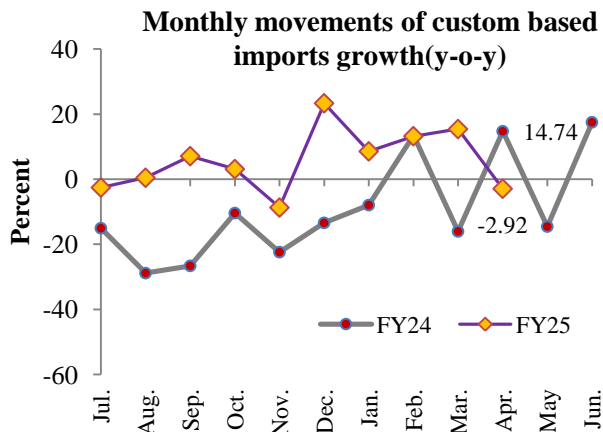
#### a. Custom-based import, import LCs settlement and LCs opening

Month	Custom based import (c&f)		Import LCs opening	Import LCs settlement
	FY25 <sup>P</sup>	FY24 <sup>R</sup>	FY25 <sup>P2</sup>	FY25 <sup>P2</sup>
July	5247.80	5384.60	5384.38	5208.06
August	5271.50	5247.60	5223.36	5477.19
September	5651.30	5277.20	5612.34	5922.83
October	6148.00	5962.70	6409.72	6104.96
November	5377.90	5890.80	5839.88	5379.05
December	6453.77	5232.50	6408.37	6190.07
January	6367.21	5865.00	6829.06	6193.40
February	5941.09	5247.60	5741.90	5651.94
March	5896.66	5108.90	6196.70	6306.75
April	5820.45	5995.70	5295.55	6389.13
<b>July-April</b>	<b>58175.68</b> <b>(+5.37)</b>	<b>55212.60</b> <b>(-13.05)</b>	<b>58941.26</b> <b>(+2.98)</b>	<b>58823.38</b> <b>(+6.08)</b>

Source: National Board of Revenue (NBR), Bangladesh and Foreign Exchange Operations Department (FEOD), Bangladesh Bank.

Note:- Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes over the corresponding period of the preceding year. P = Provisional; R= Revised.

<sup>2</sup> Data retrieved from Online Imports Monitoring System (OIMS) on 26.05.2025.



- During July-April of FY25, custom-based imports increased by USD 2963.08 million, equating to a year-on-year growth of 5.37 percent, compared to a steep contraction of 13.05 percent during the same period in FY24. This growth in imports could mostly be attributed to significant rise in intermediate goods import, especially goods related to RMG and rise in food grains import.
- Opening and settlement of import LCs increased by 2.98 percent (y-o-y) and 6.08 percent (y-o-y) respectively during July-April of FY25.

## b. Category-wise breakdown of custom-based import

USD in million

Particulars	July-April of FY25	July-April of FY24	Change of July-April of FY25 over July-April of FY24	
			In amount	In Percent
<b>Food Grains</b>	<b>1919.54</b>	<b>1656.30</b>	<b>263.24</b>	<b>15.89</b>
Rice	605.35	17.70	587.65	3320.06
Wheat	1314.19	1638.60	-324.41	-19.80
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>4857.46</b>	<b>4052.90</b>	<b>804.56</b>	<b>19.85</b>
Edible Oil	2302.60	1789.80	512.80	28.65
Sugar	924.43	1028.80	-104.37	-10.14
Others	1630.43	1234.30	396.13	32.09
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>35251.23</b>	<b>33224.60</b>	<b>2026.63</b>	<b>6.10</b>
Crude Petroleum	585.87	840.40	-254.53	-30.29
Raw Cotton	2914.45	2908.80	5.65	0.19
Textile and Articles thereof	7643.08	6316.70	1326.38	21.00
Others	24107.83	23158.70	949.13	4.10
<b>Capital Goods</b>	<b>8017.59</b>	<b>8974.70</b>	<b>-957.11</b>	<b>-10.66</b>
Capital Machinery	2393.53	3065.50	-671.97	-21.92
Other Capital Goods	5624.06	5909.20	-285.14	-4.83
<b>Others</b>	<b>8129.86</b>	<b>7304.10</b>	<b>825.76</b>	<b>11.31</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>58175.68</b>	<b>55212.60</b>	<b>2963.08</b>	<b>5.37</b>

Source: National Board of Revenue, compiled by Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank

- During the period from July-April of FY25, the composition of custom-based imports was notably skewed towards intermediate goods, which constituted 60.59 percent of the total. Capital goods followed with a 13.78 percent share, reflecting investments in infrastructure and machinery to bolster long-term productive capacity. Consumer goods, indicative of direct household consumption, accounted for 8.35 percent, while food grains represented the smallest segment at 3.30 percent, emphasizing minimal dependency on imported staples during this timeframe.
- During the period from July-April of FY25, imports of consumer goods, food grains and intermediate goods grew by 19.85 percent, 15.89 percent and 6.10 percent compared to the corresponding period in FY24. This sharp upwards move, especially in imports of intermediate goods, highlight a rejuvenation of economic activities across key industries during the comparative timeframe. However, Imports of capital goods witnessed a sharp decline of 10.66 percent.

**c. Item-wise fresh opening and settlement of import LCs<sup>#</sup>**

(USD in million)

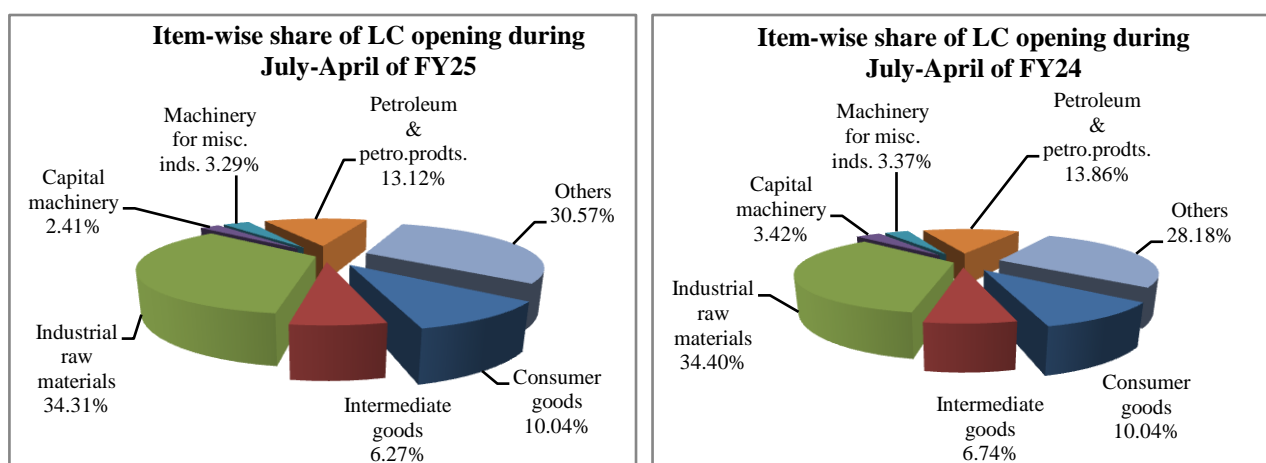
Items	July-April of FY25		July-April of FY24		% changes during July-April of FY25 over July-April of FY24	
	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement
A. Consumer goods	5919.69	5694.04	5744.42	5583.61	3.05	1.98
B. Intermediate goods	3694.11	3767.80	3859.26	4095.33	-4.28	-8.00
C. Industrial raw materials	20220.71	20103.04	19686.59	18154.47	2.71	10.73
D. Capital machinery	1419.17	1707.28	1956.29	2293.38	-27.46	-25.56
E. Machinery for misc. inds.	1940.59	1890.92	1926.42	1938.99	0.74	-2.48
F. Petroleum & petro.prods.	7730.33	8448.15	7933.08	7813.07	-2.56	8.13
G. Others	18016.65	17212.15	16130.70	15571.59	11.69	10.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>58941.26</b>	<b>58823.38</b>	<b>57236.76</b>	<b>55450.44</b>	<b>2.98</b>	<b>6.08</b>
of which back to back	9166.98	8883.76	8224.99	7283.40	11.45	21.97

Source: Foreign Exchange Operations Department (FEOD), Bangladesh Bank.

P = Provisional; Opening = 'Fresh opening of import LCs' and Settlement = 'Settlement of import LCs'.

N.B.: Provisional Data downloaded from Online Import Monitoring System on 26/05/2025.

Item wise share of LCs opening during July-April of FY25 and FY24 are shown in the following pie diagrams. Item-wise detailed data of fresh opening and settlement of import LCs during July-April of FY25 and FY24 are also given in the Appendix-A.

**d. Projection of opening imports LCs and probable liabilities against back to back LCs of authorized dealer banks**

(USD in million)

Month	Opening of import LCs	Probable liabilities of banks against back to back LCs
May-25	5048.78	999.85
Jun-25	5171.01	871.93
Jul-25	5273.11	821.46
<b>May-25-July-25</b>	<b>15492.90</b>	<b>2693.24</b>

Source: Compiled by Monetary Policy Department (MPD), Bangladesh Bank on the basis of the statements of all authorized dealer banks.

The projection of import LCs opening during May-July of 2025 was USD 15492.90 million which was higher than the projection of USD 14757.44 million during May-July of 2024. The probable liability against back to back LCs stood at USD 2693.44 million during May-July of 2025 which was 47.21 percent of foreign currency holdings (Nostro account net balance+Investment in OBU+FC balances with Bangladesh Bank) of AD banks as on 29 May, 2025.

## 14. Workers' remittances

### a. Monthly workers' remittances

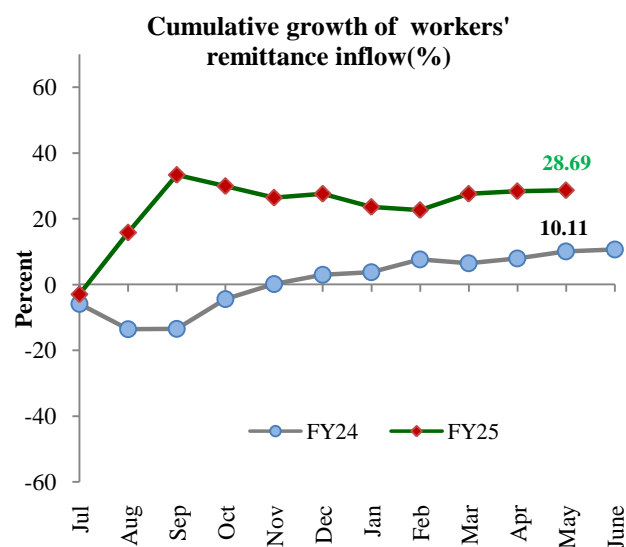
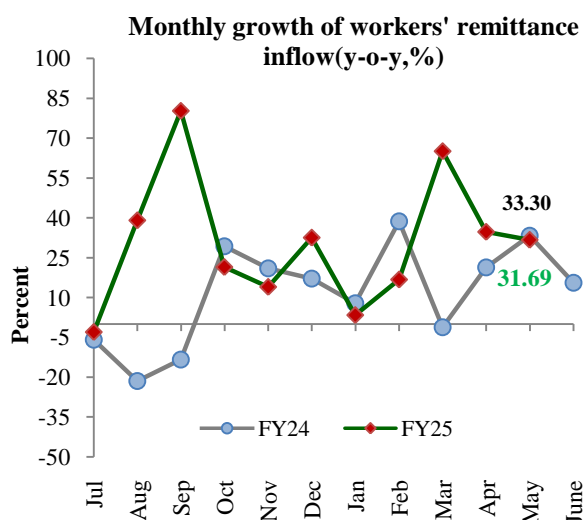
(USD in million)

FY22	FY23	FY24 <sup>R</sup>
21031.68 (-15.12)	21610.73 (+2.75)	<b>23912.22</b> <b>(+10.65)</b>
Month	FY25 <sup>P</sup>	FY24 <sup>R</sup>
July	1913.77	1973.15
August	2224.15	1599.45
September	2404.11	1334.35
October	2395.08	1971.43
November	2199.99	1930.04
December	2638.78	1991.26
January	2185.23	2113.15
February	2527.65	2164.56
March	3295.63	1997.07
April	2752.33	2044.23
May	2969.57	2254.93
<b>July-May</b>	<b>27506.29</b> <b>(+28.69)</b>	<b>21373.62</b> <b>(+10.11)</b>

Source : Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Note:- Figures in the parentheses indicate percentage changes over the same period of the previous year. P = Provisional; R = Revised.

- Inflow of workers' remittances registered USD 2969.57 million in May 2025, which is 31.69 percent higher compared to the same month of previous year.
- Total workers' remittances inflow for July-May of FY25 stood at USD 27506.29 million which was 28.69 percent higher compared to the same period of previous fiscal year.



**b. Remittance inflow from top ten source countries**

Rank	July-May of FY25			July-May of FY24		
	Country	Amount in million USD	Share of total remittance(%)	Country	Amount in million USD	Share of total remittance(%)
1	U.S.A.	4494.55	16.34	U.A.E.	4067.46	19.03
2	U.A.E.	3843.59	13.97	U.S.A.	2595.39	12.14
3	K.S.A.	3795.19	13.80	U.K.	2588.61	12.11
4	U.K.	2806.43	10.20	K.S.A.	2421.20	11.33
5	Malaysia	2441.30	8.88	Malaysia	1392.23	6.51
6	Kuwait	1504.52	5.47	Kuwait	1363.51	6.38
7	Italy	1487.74	5.41	Italy	1322.70	6.19
8	Oman	1462.46	5.32	Qatar	1044.59	4.89
9	Qatar	1088.77	3.96	Oman	974.23	4.56
10	Singapore	884.13	3.21	Bahrain	573.18	2.68
	Others	3697.61	13.44	Others	3030.52	14.18
	Total	27506.29	100.00	Total	21373.62	100.00

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh bank

- U.S.A holds the top position among remittance sending countries while U.A.E becomes the second during July-May of FY25.
- The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries (K.S.A, UAE, Kuwait, Qatar, Oman, Bahrain) contributed 45.00 percent of the total remittance inflows, while 16.34 percent of the total remittances originated from the U.S.A during July-May of FY25.
- Among the European countries, the U.K. and Italy combinedly contributed 15.61 percent of total remittances received in July-May of FY25.

## 15. Foreign exchange reserves of Bangladesh Bank and commercial banks

### a. Gross foreign exchange reserves of Bangladesh Bank (BB)

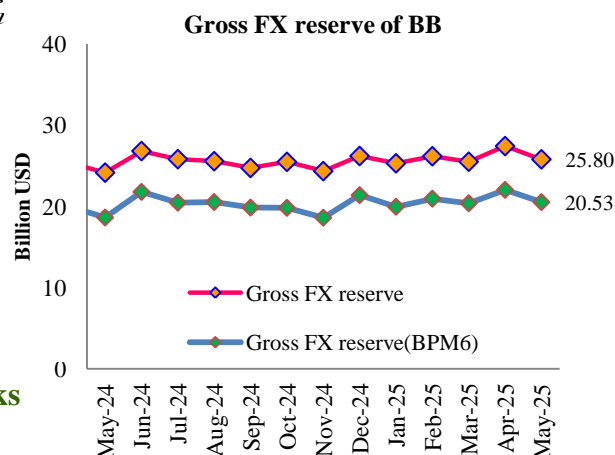
(USD in million)

A. Outstanding reserve at the end of the year		FY23	FY23 (BPM6)*	FY24	FY24 (BPM6)*
		31202.98 (-25.40)	24753.89 (-25.85)	26815.24 (-14.06)	21787.34 (-11.98)
B. Outstanding reserve at the end of the month	Month / Year	FY25 <sup>P</sup>	FY25 <sup>P</sup> (BPM6)*	FY24	FY24 (BPM6)*
	July	25823.59	20393.66	29732.07	23374.25
	August	25580.78	20475.41	29260.65	23255.00
	September	24862.97	19861.45	26908.40	21056.56
	October	25486.72	19829.95	26480.86	20710.06
	November	24350.22	18611.38	24894.58	19300.61
	December	26214.80	21394.73	27130.04	21867.74
	January	25305.64	19962.36	25111.92	19963.46
	February	26175.72	20945.87	25966.57	20780.03
	March	25511.96	20386.20	25220.33	19901.64
	April	27429.67	22041.80	25365.20	19975.80
	May	25798.15	20537.23	24197.19	18646.00

Source : Accounts & Budgeting Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Figures in parentheses indicate percentage changes over the s Provisional; BPM6= Balance of Payments and International according to BPM6

- Gross foreign exchange reserves stood at USD 25.78 billion at the end of May 2025 compared to USD 24.19 billion at the end of May 2024.
- Gross foreign exchange reserves, compliant with BPM6, stood at USD 20.53 billion at the end of May 2025.



### b. Gross foreign exchange held by commercial banks (CB)\*

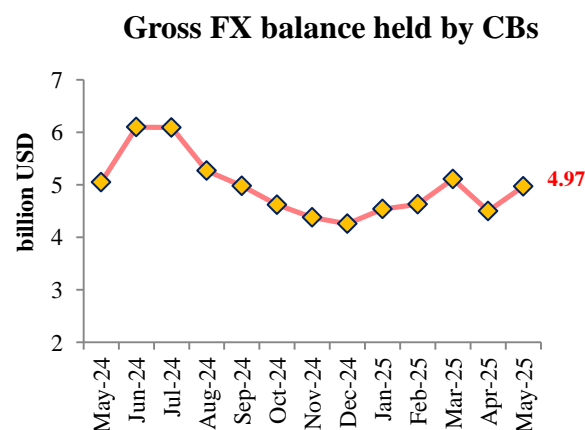
- Gross foreign exchange held by commercial banks was 1.50 percent (y-o-y) lower at the end of May 2025.
- Gross foreign exchange held by commercial banks in May 2025 was 10.60 percent higher compared to April 2025.

(USD in million)

A. Outstanding reserve at the end of the year		FY22	FY23	FY24
		5205.90 (-5.66)	5530.29 (+6.23)	6103.30 (+10.36)
B. Outstanding reserve at the end of the month	Month / Year	FY25 <sup>P</sup>	FY24	
	July	6088.87	5900.52	
	August	5265.55	5808.74	
	September	4981.00	6174.01	
	October	4615.92	5924.02	
	November	4383.84	5970.87	
	December	4255.83	5559.65	
	January	4537.56	5844.24	
	February	4632.98	5534.49	
	March	5114.69	5439.36	
	April	4495.42	5047.30	
	May	4971.69	5047.27	

Source: Foreign Exchange Policy Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Figures in parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the same period of the preceding year. P= Provisional. \* Debit balance in Nostro A/C + Investment in OBU. Holding of FX reserve is updated with NOP of May, 2025.

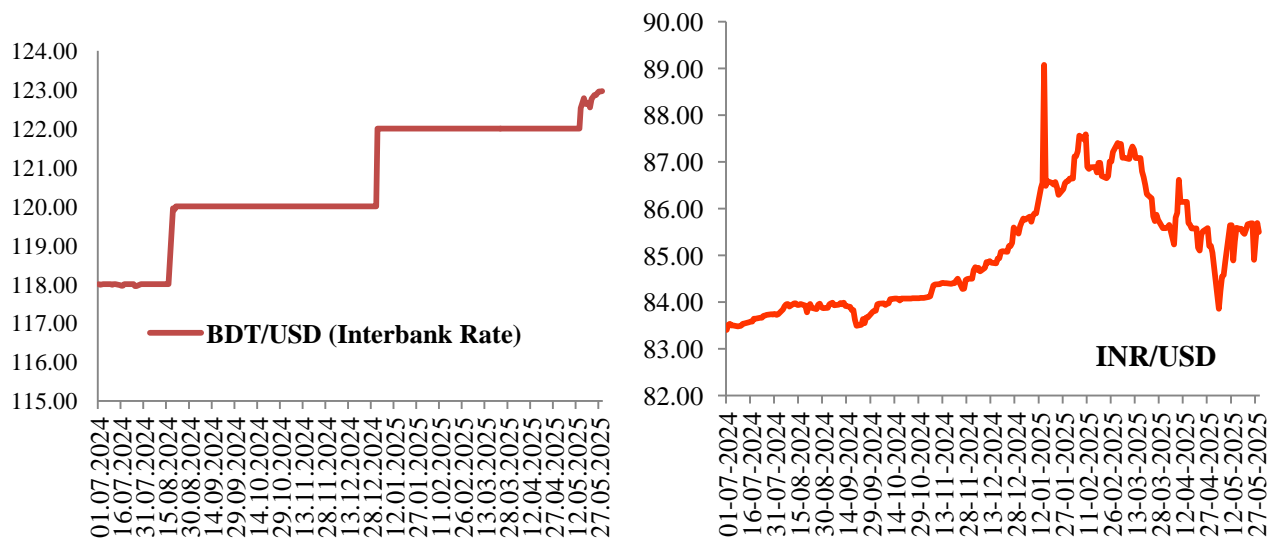


## 16. Exchange rate movements

	(BDT/USD) <sup>1/</sup>				(Rupee/USD) <sup>2/</sup>	
Month	Month Avg.	Month End	Month Avg.	Month End	Month End	Month End
	FY23		FY24 <sup>R</sup>		FY23	FY24
June	108.3504	108.3578	117.9901	118.0000	82.0428	83.4534
	FY24 <sup>R</sup>		FY25		FY24	FY25
July	108.9367	109.0000	117.9720	118.0000	82.2481	83.7440
August	109.4973	109.5000	118.9057	120.0000	82.6784	83.8709
September	110.0800	110.5000	120.0000	120.0000	83.0580	83.7888
October	110.5000	110.5000	120.0000	120.0000	83.2692	84.0900
November	110.8636	110.5000	120.0000	120.0000	83.3500	84.4971
December	110.1429	110.0000	120.0000	120.0000	83.1164	85.6232
January	110.0000	110.0000	122.0000	122.0000	83.0805	86.5800
February	110.0000	110.0000	122.0000	122.0000	82.9246	87.2119
March	110.0000	110.0000	122.0000	122.0000	83.3739	86.6446
April	110.0000	110.0000	122.0000	122.0000	83.5187	85.0535
May	115.6836	117.9105	122.4566	122.9621	83.2988	85.4976

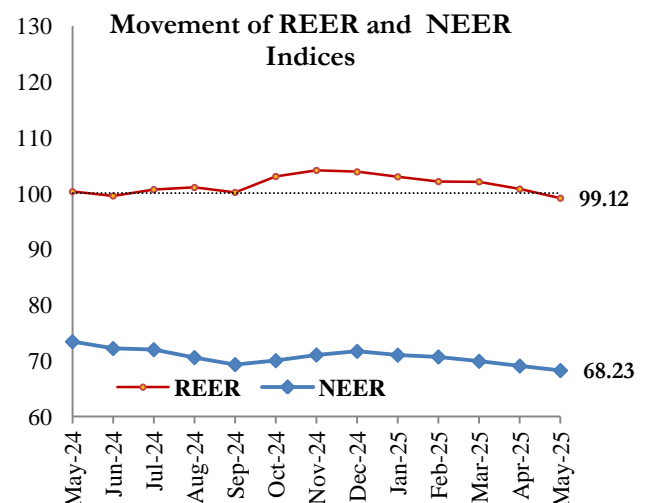
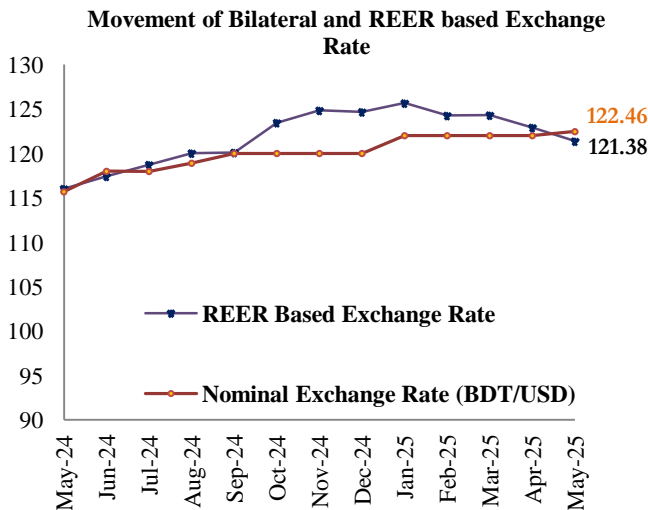
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- Exchange rate of Bangladesh Taka, against USD, depreciated by 4.04 percent during July-May of FY25 compared to the depreciation of 8.10 percent of July-May of FY24.
- Indian Rupee (INR) experienced 2.39 percent depreciation against the US dollar during July-May of FY25 (graphical presentations of exchange rate of Bangladesh Taka (BDT) vis-a-vis USD and Indian Rupee (INR) vis-a-vis USD are shown in the charts at the right side).
- Bangladesh Bank sold a net of USD 503.38 million in the foreign exchange market during July-May of FY25 compared to a net of USD 9806.94 million in the same period of previous fiscal year.





- Bangladesh Bank has introduced a Crawling Peg Exchange Rate System for the spot purchase and sell of USD with a Crawling Peg Mid Rate (CPMR) at Tk.117.00 per USD in May 2024. Scheduled banks are instructed to purchase and sell dollars freely around the CPMR to both customers and interbank since May, 2024.
- On 31 December, 2024, Bangladesh Bank allowed authorized dealers (ADs) to trade foreign currencies at freely negotiated rates. It also launched a new foreign exchange intervention strategy and began publishing a daily reference benchmark exchange rate based on the weighted average of freely quoted exchange rates from market transactions. Additionally, ADs have been instructed to report all foreign exchange transactions at or above USD 1.00 lac or equivalent twice daily.
- To enhance flexibility in exchange rate management Bangladesh Bank decided to repeal the directive issued on 02 January 2025 with effect from 14 May, 2025.
- The Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER)<sup>1/</sup> index decreased from 69.04 in April 2025 to 68.23 in May 2025.
- The Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER)<sup>1/</sup> index decreased slightly from 100.76 in April 2025 to 99.12 in May 2025. The fall of the index indicates a marginal gain in competitiveness of BDT in international trade driven to favorable price differential between Bangladesh and its trading partners.



<sup>1/</sup>NEER and REER calculation of BDT against 18-currency basket (Base FY16=100), which includes information on export, import and remittance flow of the country.

## 17. Balance of payments (BOP)

(USD in million)

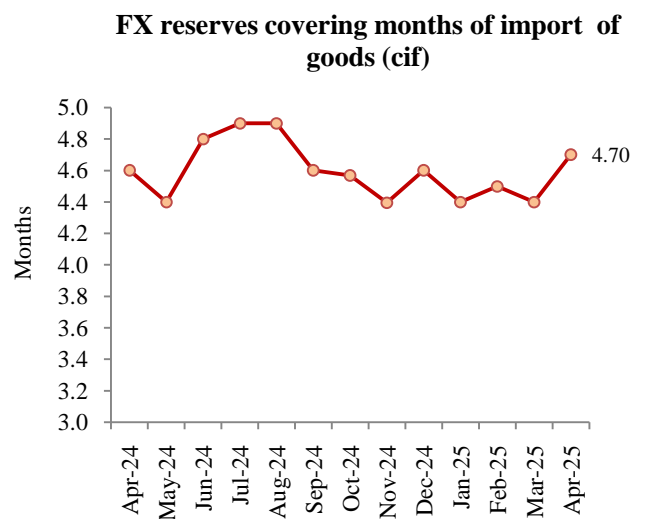
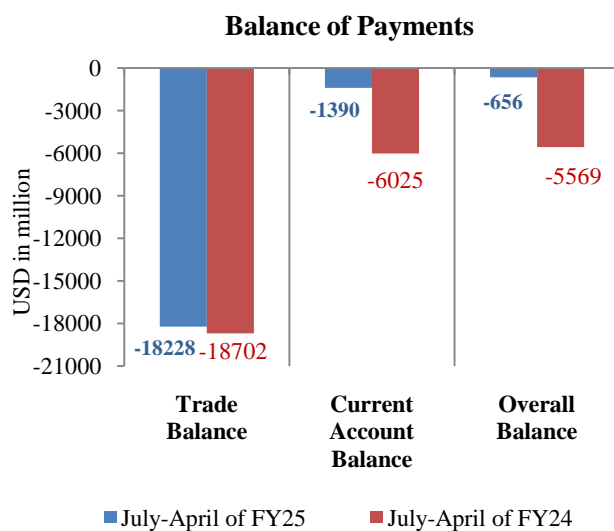
Particulars	FY23 <sup>R</sup>	FY24 <sup>R</sup>	July-April of FY24 <sup>R</sup>	July-April of FY25 <sup>P</sup>
<b>Trade balance</b>	<b>-27384</b>	<b>-22433</b>	<b>-18702</b>	<b>-18228</b>
Exports f.o.b(including EPZ)	43364	40807	33672	36567
Imports f.o.b(including EPZ)	70748	63240	52374	54795
<b>Services</b>	<b>-3131</b>	<b>-4229</b>	<b>-3323</b>	<b>-4292</b>
Credit	6971	6285	5189	5534
Debit	10102	10514	8512	9826
<b>Primary income</b>	<b>-3407</b>	<b>-4326</b>	<b>-3490</b>	<b>-3804</b>
Credit	443	550	449	570
Debit	3850	4876	3939	4374
Of which:Official interest payment	1030	1406	1209	1326
<b>Secondary income</b>	<b>22289</b>	<b>24386</b>	<b>19490</b>	<b>24934</b>
Official transfers	88	74	43	57
Private transfers	22201	24312	19447	24877
of which : Workers' remittances inflows	21611	23912	19119	24536
<b>Current account balance</b>	<b>-11633</b>	<b>-6602</b>	<b>-6025</b>	<b>-1390</b>
Capital account	475	553	295	297
Capital transfers	475	553	295	297
<b>Financial account</b>	<b>6889</b>	<b>4516</b>	<b>2250</b>	<b>1964</b>
i) Foreign direct investment(net)*	1649	1470	1278	910
ii) Portfolio investment (net)	-30	-145	-279	-138
Of which : Investment by NRBs	118	92	78	88
iii) Other investment(net)	5270	3191	1251	1192
Medium and long-term (MLT) loans	8704	9708	6169	4809
MLT amortization payments	1745	2020	1695	2193
Other long-term loans (net)	434	209	527	-157
Other short-term loans (net)	-1883	-1619	-1803	-420
Trade credit (net)	2532	-1828	-1670	-49
DMBs & NBDCs(net)	-2772	-1259	-277	-798
Assets	799	494	-659	-143
Liabilities	-1973	-765	-936	-941
Errors and omissions	-3953	-2767	-2089	-1527
<b>Overall balance</b>	<b>-8222</b>	<b>-4300</b>	<b>-5569</b>	<b>-656</b>
Reserve assets	8222	4300	5569	656
Bangladesh Bank(net)	8222	4300	5569	656
Assets	-8766	-2901	-4819	-420
Liabilities	-544	1399	750	236
Gross official reserves (as per BPM6)	24754	21686	19976	22042
Gross official reserves	31203	26714	25365	27430
In months of imports of goods and services (prospective)	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.2
In months of imports of goods (cif) (prospective)	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.7

Source :Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Note:- Both exports and imports are compiled on the basis of customs data. P=Provisional; R = Revised.

\* FDI is calculated on net basis by deducting disinvestment, repayments of loans & loss.

- Current account balance recorded a lower deficit of USD 1390 million during July-April of FY25 compared to a deficit of USD 6025 million during the month of July-April of FY24.
- The overall balance recorded a deficit of USD 656 million during July-April of FY25, marking a significant improvement compared to the USD 5569 million deficit in the same period of FY24. This narrowing of the deficit can be primarily attributed to substantial improvement in current account balance and a significant amount (USD 1964 million) of financial account surplus alleviating the overall balance during the review period.
- The foreign exchange reserves of April 2025 were sufficient to pay import cost of goods for 4.7 months (cif) which was slightly higher than that of April 2024.



## 18. Foreign aid

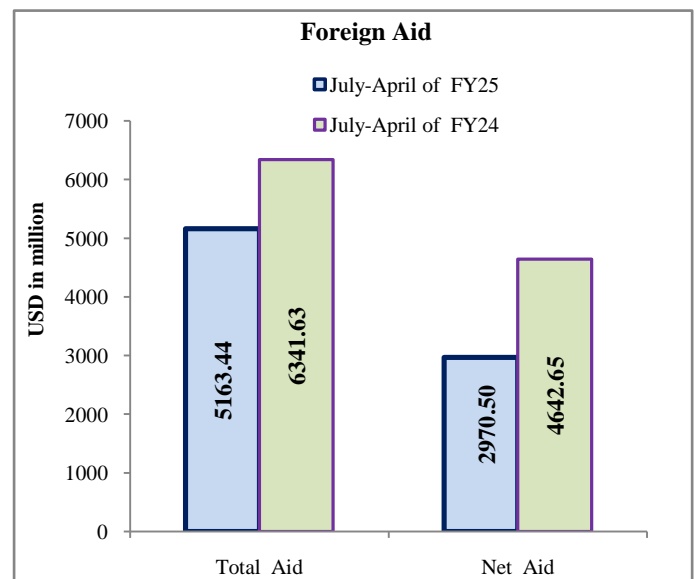
(USD in million)

(USD in million)										
Month	Food Aid	Project Aid	Total Aid	Repayment (Principal)	Net Foreign Aid	Food Aid	Project Aid	Total Aid	Repayment (Principal)	Net Foreign Aid
	FY24					FY23				
July-June	30.00	9832.92 (+6.90)	9862.92 (+6.62)	2023.63 (+15.99)	7839.29 (+4.44)	52.50	9198.20 (-8.07)	9250.70 (-7.57)	1744.69 (+14.28)	7506.00 (-11.50)
	FY25					FY24				
July	0.00	358.33	358.33	310.60	47.73	0.00	438.48	438.48	170.78	267.70
August	0.00	99.92	99.92	144.98	-45.07	0.00	358.20	358.20	117.73	240.47
September	15.00	372.87	387.87	145.68	242.20	5.50	543.87	549.37	241.08	308.29
October	0.00	355.88	355.88	319.04	36.84	0.00	344.45	344.45	133.12	211.33
November	0.00	341.75	341.75	159.14	182.61	0.00	648.33	648.33	163.43	484.89
December	10.00	1978.70	1988.70	182.99	1805.72	5.00	1777.61	1782.61	127.89	1654.71
January	0.00	406.44	406.44	342.21	64.23	0.00	334.66	334.66	203.15	131.51
February	0.00	195.53	195.53	145.58	49.95	0.00	599.04	599.04	114.44	484.60
March	10.00	664.40	674.40	315.32	359.08	8.50	625.57	634.07	240.36	393.71
April	0.00	354.62	354.62	127.41	227.21	0.00	652.43	652.43	187.00	465.43
July-April	35.00	5128.44 (-18.89)	5163.44 (-18.58)	2192.94 (+29.07)	2970.50 (-36.02)	19.00	6322.63 (+7.56)	6341.63 (+7.19)	1698.98 (+21.91)	4642.65 (+2.65)

Source: Forex Reserve & Treasury Management Department (FRTMD), Bangladesh Bank & Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance.

Note:- Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes (y-o-y). P = Provisional, Project Aid includes grant and loan; food aid indicates food grant.

- Total foreign aid declined by USD 1178.19 million or 18.58 percent (y-o-y) during July-April of FY25 compared to the same period of FY24.
- After principal repayment, the net receipt of foreign aid during July-April of FY25 decreased by USD 1672.15 million (y-o-y) or 36.02 percent, while the principal repayment increased by 29.07 percent.
- During July-April of FY25, there were 6.86 percent aids received in the form of grants and food aid, while 93.14 percent of total aid received as loans.



## Appendix A

### Break-up of fresh opening and settlement of import LCs

(USD in million)

	July-April of FY25		July-April of FY24		Percentage changes during July-April of FY25 over July-April of FY24	
Items	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement
<b>A. Consumer goods</b>	<b>5919.69</b>	<b>5694.04</b>	<b>5744.42</b>	<b>5583.61</b>	<b>3.05</b>	<b>1.98</b>
Rice and wheat	1658.50	1522.19	1535.36	1417.04	8.02	7.42
Sugar and salt	853.30	801.68	955.13	1004.91	-10.66	-20.22
Milk food	347.25	311.41	315.50	305.78	10.07	1.84
Edible oil (refined)	1106.91	1109.31	1003.43	1034.71	10.31	7.21
All kinds of fruits	256.88	238.44	267.98	225.00	-4.14	5.97
Pulses	333.72	351.79	284.27	232.36	17.40	51.40
Onion	202.74	192.63	158.21	174.61	28.14	10.32
Spices	448.79	466.96	453.50	440.15	-1.04	6.09
Second hand clothings	0.84	0.36	1.13	0.75	-25.93	-51.75
Drugs and medicines(finished)	42.52	38.17	43.97	56.06	-3.29	-31.93
Others	668.24	668.24	668.24	668.24	0.00	0.00
<b>B. Intermediate goods</b>	<b>3694.11</b>	<b>3767.80</b>	<b>3859.26</b>	<b>4095.33</b>	<b>-4.28</b>	<b>-8.00</b>
Coal	1056.76	1074.12	836.74	957.85	26.29	12.14
Cement	105.31	93.62	105.51	94.27	-0.19	-0.69
Clinker & limestone	466.76	509.26	552.11	560.37	-15.46	-9.12
B. P. sheet	107.05	105.78	100.20	93.60	6.84	13.02
Tin plate	2.88	3.21	3.38	3.44	-14.73	-6.88
Scrap Vessels	292.66	297.98	362.00	380.06	-19.15	-21.60
Iron and steel scrap	966.13	1020.62	1210.42	1290.51	-20.18	-20.91
Non-ferrous metal	144.05	133.73	130.75	123.31	10.17	8.45
Paper and paper board	263.37	249.30	223.77	214.84	17.70	16.04
Others	289.13	280.16	334.38	377.09	-13.53	-25.70
<b>C. Industrial raw materials</b>	<b>20220.71</b>	<b>20103.04</b>	<b>19686.59</b>	<b>18154.47</b>	<b>2.71</b>	<b>10.73</b>
Edible oil (Crude)	128.12	71.52	155.50	245.84	-17.61	-70.91
Seeds	646.84	748.92	777.57	728.80	-16.81	2.76
Textile fabrics (B/B & others)	9119.47	8699.57	8048.31	7199.34	13.31	20.84
Pharmaceutical raw materials	855.04	881.15	893.25	856.54	-4.28	2.87
Raw cotton	2189.95	2320.80	2624.77	2385.15	-16.57	-2.70
Cotton yarn	1934.78	1951.99	1898.33	1644.56	1.92	18.69
Copra	67.30	49.37	34.05	33.32	97.64	48.18
Synthetic fibre & yarn	766.84	786.89	825.24	721.82	-7.08	9.01
Chemicals & chem. products	2742.26	2930.06	2565.36	2651.87	6.90	10.49
Others	1770.13	1662.77	1864.19	1687.23	-5.05	-1.45

Opening = 'Fresh opening of import LCs', Settlement = 'Settlement of import LCs'.

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## Break-up of fresh opening and settlement of import LCs

(USD in million)

Items	July-April of FY25		July-April of FY24		Percentage changes during July-April of FY25 over July-April of FY24	
	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement	Opening	Settlement
<b>D. Capital machinery</b>	<b>1419.17</b>	<b>1707.28</b>	<b>1956.29</b>	<b>2293.38</b>	<b>-27.46</b>	<b>-25.56</b>
Textile machinery	83.45	120.68	107.09	159.60	-22.07	-24.38
Leather / tannery	2.46	3.71	3.27	3.73	-24.60	-0.53
Jute industry	3.72	2.83	3.99	3.35	-6.65	-15.67
Garment industry	275.67	357.27	241.10	314.85	14.34	13.47
Pharmaceutical industry	73.75	61.20	83.82	95.02	-12.02	-35.59
Packing industry	2.31	2.68	3.50	3.62	-34.07	-25.96
Other industry	977.81	1158.91	1513.52	1713.22	-35.39	-32.35
<b>E. Machinery for misc. inds.</b>	<b>1940.59</b>	<b>1890.92</b>	<b>1926.42</b>	<b>1938.99</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>-2.48</b>
Other machineries	6.66	7.20	17.21	25.45	-61.32	-71.69
Marine diesel engine	3.84	3.00	3.05	1.74	26.06	72.11
Computer & its accessories	137.16	156.75	171.51	197.58	-20.03	-20.67
Motor vehicle & motorcycle parts	221.68	177.83	135.91	125.86	63.11	41.30
Bicycle parts	46.58	38.76	28.99	25.98	60.66	49.16
Other iron and steel products	290.62	230.53	234.44	225.68	23.97	2.15
Motor vehicles	265.43	292.30	245.97	261.79	7.91	11.66
Other electronics components	74.44	62.26	58.12	49.87	28.09	24.84
Tractors & power tiller	18.29	12.01	26.94	25.51	-32.14	-52.91
Others	875.90	910.27	1004.29	999.53	-12.78	-8.93
<b>F. Petroleum &amp; petro.prodts.</b>	<b>7730.33</b>	<b>8448.15</b>	<b>7933.08</b>	<b>7813.07</b>	<b>-2.56</b>	<b>8.13</b>
Crude	914.26	890.46	711.35	692.45	28.52	28.59
Refined	3125.75	3481.20	4363.62	4206.75	-28.37	-17.25
Others	3690.32	4076.49	2858.10	2913.86	29.12	39.90
<b>G. Others</b>	<b>18016.65</b>	<b>17212.15</b>	<b>16130.70</b>	<b>15571.59</b>	<b>11.69</b>	<b>10.54</b>
Commercial sector	4039.70	4185.39	3983.41	3844.97	1.41	8.85
Industrial sector	13976.95	13026.76	12147.29	11726.62	15.06	11.09
<b>Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>58941.26</b>	<b>58823.38</b>	<b>57236.76</b>	<b>55450.44</b>	<b>2.98</b>	<b>6.08</b>
of which back to back	9166.98	8883.76	8224.99	7283.40	11.45	21.97

Source: Foreign Exchange Operations Department (FEOD), Bangladesh Bank.

Opening = 'Fresh opening of import LCs', Settlement = 'Settlement of import LCs'.

N.B.: Provisional Data downloaded from Online Import Monitoring System on 26/05/2025.

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