

Annual world report says

US most competitive economy

GENEVA, Sept 6: The United States, powered by newly-aggressive industry, is easily the world's most competitive economy but a vibrant Singapore is hot on its heels, an authoritative study said yesterday, reports Reuter.

and a declining Japan which had previously held the top competitiveness spot for nine years. "Its widening even more."

New investment law in Cuba

HAVANA, Sept 6: Cuba has taken a new step to lure foreign capital while fervently affirming its commitment to socialism, reports AP.

Indian high speed tram project to be launched in October

NEW DELHI, Sept 6: A high speed tram system in the Indian capital, seen as the panacea at the city's traffic and environmental problems is expected to be launched in October, a senior official said Tuesday, reports AFP.



A seminar on perspective planning organized by the IBA Alumni Association was held on Monday at a local hotel. A paper on Issues in Participatory Local Level Planning was presented at the seminar by Dr Muzaffer Ahmed, Professor of IBA.

Bombay now has world's most expensive offices

SINGAPORE, Sept 6: Bombay now has the world's most expensive offices, ahead of Tokyo and Hong Kong, property consultants Richard Ellis said in their latest World Rental Levels bulletin published in Singapore yesterday, reports Reuter.

Arab economy ministers to meet in Cairo next week

ABU DHABI, Sept 6: Arab economy ministers will meet in Cairo next week to resume talks on boosting flagging trade among their countries as part of longstanding attempts to integrate their economies, a United Arab Emirates (UAE) official was quoted on Tuesday as saying, reports AFP.

Exchange Rates

Table with columns for Currency, Selling, and Buying rates. Includes US Dollar, DM, Franc, etc.

US dollar falls in Tokyo, NY

TOKYO, Sept 6: The US dollar was trading slightly lower against the Japanese yen in early trading Wednesday, reports AP.

ROK keen to help flood-hit DPRK

SEOUL, Sept 6: South Korea said Wednesday it is willing to help flood-stricken North Korea if the communist country takes steps to remove key obstacles blocking rapprochement, reports AP.

Gold falls to six-month low in London

LONDON, Sept 6: Gold fell to its lowest level in six months at the official London gold fixing on Tuesday despite a report showing demand for the metal was at a record high in the first six months of the year, reports Reuter.

Shipping Intelligence

Shipping Intelligence table with columns for Berth No, Name of Vessels, Cargo, Local Port, Date of Arrival, Leaving.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Barisal PWD Division, Barisal Notice Inviting Tenders No. E/M-7 of 1995-96

Asia business briefs TOKYO, Sept 6: Mitsubishi Corp., Japan's major trading company, and CAP S. A. of Chile have agreed to undertake a 107 million dollar project in the mining and steel industries.

Thailand and Chemical PCL said it will seek a 191 million dollar loan from the Export and Import Bank of Korea to finance a new 11-billion-baht (44 million dollar) plastics plant in Thailand.

Vessels Due at Outer Anchorage Name of Vessels Date of Last Port Arrival Call Agent Cargo Loading Port