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Hasina visits flood-hit Tungipara

TUNGIPARA, Sept 3: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina today visited the flooded areas in her own electoral constituency, Tungipara, and distributed relief materials among the victims, reports UNB.

Khaleda asks govt Disburse loan to flood-hit farmers soon

DAULODIA, (Manikganj), Sept 3: BNP Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia today asked the government to disburse immediately interest-free loans and agri-inputs to the farmers, reports UNB.

She also demanded supply of house building materials to the victims who had lost their houses in this prolonged flooding.

BIMST-EC meet in Dhaka postponed

Leaders of Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka and Thailand, who were to meet in Dhaka next week to chalk out plans and programmes under the framework of BIMST-EC, postponed the meeting because of the devastating flood, foreign office sources said, reports BSS.

President donates one month's salary to PM's Relief Fund

President Shahabuddin Ahmed yesterday donated his one month's salary towards the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, reports BSS.

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Business Russian govt 'powerless' to arrest rouble plunge

Most Asian stock markets fall amid Malaysia turmoil Both DSE and CSE indices rise Pages 6, 7, 8

Deluge set to make a bigger dent in Dhaka

Water won't recede before month-end

By Shehab Ahmed A renewed rush of water from the upper catchment of the Ganges and the Brahmaputra, thanks to heavy rains, has deteriorated the flood situation in the country. Both the rivers were already above the danger levels, and their swelling will only further prolong the country's deluge, dubbed the worst in decades.

Flood hits 2.15 cr people Tk 4.34cr, 66018 MT rice distributed

By Nurul Kabir The Ministry of Relief and Disaster Management has so far distributed Tk 4.34 crore in cash in the flood hit areas of the country. More than 2.15 crore people have been affected by the devastating floods in the country since July 12 last.

Pvt container terminal issue Rival workers at Ctg port clash : 50 hurt

From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Sept 3: At least 50 people, including some policemen, were injured in a clash between two rival groups of workers at Chittagong Port today over the installation of a private container terminal by a foreign consortium, police and port sources said.

Disruption of Ctg Port activities won't be allowed: FBCCI

By Staff Correspondent FBCCI yesterday said businessmen will never allow disruption of Chittagong port activities by a handful of people, reports UNB.



WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ! Flood victims in the city's Rajarbagh area scrambling for relief in chest-deep water yesterday. — Star photo

Swissair plane crashes killing all 229 aboard

HALIFAX (Nova Scotia), Sept 3: A flotilla of coast guard and fishing boats searching the sea early today found only bodies and debris floating in an oil slick at the site where a Swissair jetliner went down off Nova Scotia, killing all 229 people aboard, reports AP.

Female students at DU demolish two hall gates, ransack provost's office

By DU Correspondent A section of residents of Shamsunahar Hall of Dhaka University demolished two gates inside the hall and ransacked the provost's office late Wednesday night, witnesses said.

President tells birth centenary function Abul Mansur's contribution in literature, politics, journalism outstanding

By Staff Correspondent Leading contemporary researchers, literary critics and journalists were also speakers who highlighted his life and works, which they said were replete with materials of learning for today's society.

Floods: Minister allays fear of food crisis

Food and Agriculture Minister Begum Matia Chowdhury yesterday allayed fears of a food crisis in the wake of the longest ever floods sweeping across the country, reports UNB.

Two brothers drown in flood waters in city

By Staff Correspondent Two young brothers drowned in the flood affected North Mugda area in the city yesterday. They were identified as Biplob, 26, a student of Jagannath University College, and his younger brother Nazem, 20, residents of North Mugda, police said.

7 electrocuted in Shariatpur

SHARIATPUR, Sept 3: Seven people were electrocuted and eight others injured in two thanas of the district last night, reports UNB.

Police investigating deportation of 2 MPs from UK

Police are investigating the deportation of two MPs from Healthrow airport in London on Tuesday, reports UNB.

BNP calls hartal in Sylhet Div Sept 8

From Staff Correspondent SYLHET, Sept 3: BNP has called an 8-hour hartal in Sylhet division on September 8 as part of its 5-day agitation programme.