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### News Brief

President Md. Abdul Hamid who is now on a nine-day visit to the UK for health checkup and treatment of eyes, reached London yesterday. A VVIP flight of Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited carrying the President arrived at Heathrow International Airport, London around 3:36 pm London time.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has asked leaders and activists of the Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) to work for welfare of the people being imbued with the ideology of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The Premier made the urge while addressing a discussion marking the National Mourning Day organised by the BCL at Ganabhaban in Dhaka yesterday. The PM in her address called upon the BCL leaders and activists to stay above personal demands and gains and hold the mentality of sacrifice. At the function, the Prime Minister unveiled the cover of the BCL's regular publication 'Matribhumi' and its monthly mouthpiece 'Joy Bangla'.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will give away the National Export Trophy 2016-17 at a function at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the city this morning. Meanwhile, The Commerce Ministry is going to establish a database of product-wise sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) measures to facilitate exports by providing information about global requirements on food safety, plants and animal health issues. Bangladesh's SPS-related requirements for imports of food products and plants would also be provided to importers to protect human, animal and plant life and health from harmful elements of imported items. Expatriates Welfare and Overseas Employment Minister Imran Ahmad has written 65,000 demi-official letters to upazila and union council offices asking them to play their roles to ensure safe migration.

Foreign Minister Dr. A K Abdul Momen while talking to journalists in Sylhet yesterday said, the government has withdrawn 41 NGOs from the Rohingya camps in Cox's Bazar and suspended their activities for their misdeeds. The local administration and detectives are working to identify the other NGOs who are working in the Rohingya camps violating the conditions given by the government. Meanwhile, the Minister has ruled out any concern for Bangladesh amid the exclusion of nearly 2 million people from the final citizenship list in Assam saying Bangladesh believes in India's assurance. While attending a function in Dhaka yesterday the Minister said, Bangladesh raised the issue in advance when Indian External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar visited Bangladesh recently. Recalling his meeting with his Indian counterpart in Dhaka on August 20, Dr. Abdul Momen said, the Indian FM assured him that the issue is an internal matter for India and there'll be no problem for Bangladesh. Meanwhile, the borders of Sylhet have been put on high alert after India published the final National Register of Citizens (NRC), stripping 1.9 million people of citizenship. BGB, along with police have beefed up their surveillance in Kanaighat, Zakiganj and Bianibazar upazila in Sylhet which share borders with Assam.

Information Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud while addressing a meeting marking the National Mourning Day in Naya Paltan in Dhaka yesterday said, it is the demand of the time to unravel the masterminds behind the carnage of August 15, 1975 as the future generation should know about their sins. Agriculture Minister Dr. Md. Abdur Razzaque while addressing a similar function at the IEB in the capital yesterday said, anti-liberation clique killed Bangabandhu to demolish the spirit of Liberation War and Bengali entity.

The number of fresh dengue cases has seen a sharp fall over the last few days, with 760 patients hospitalized in the 24 hours from 8am on Friday to the same time on Saturday. Of them, 349 patients were admitted to the hospitals in Dhaka. DGHS said, in 2019, as many as 70,195 people have been affected by dengue from January to August. Of those admitted to hospitals, as of Saturday, 65,150 or 93%, were released from their respective hospitals and clinics following treatment.

The holy Ashura will be observed in the country on September 10. The National Moon Sighting Committee took the decision at a meeting with State Minister for Religious Affairs Advocate Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah in the chair at Baitul Mukarram National Mosque last evening.

Foreign diplomats and dignitaries have remembered Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in the Netherlands and paid tributes to him while attending the first ever three-day art exhibition on Bangabandhu titled 'Bangabandhu: In Remembrance' at the Embassy of Bangladesh in Netherlands' capital Amsterdam, said the Embassy on Saturday.

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Sheikh Fazilatunnesa Mujib boys' and girls' U-17 National Gold Cup Football competitions begin at the Tangail District Stadium today. On the occasion, State Minister for Youth and Sports Zahid Ahsan Russell unveiled the logo and trophy of the competitions at National Sports Council Tower Auditorium in the capital yesterday.

State Minister for Shipping Khalid Mahmud Chowdhury has said, the people responsible for a road accident in which BIWTC official Krishna Roy lost her leg would be brought to justice. The State Minister came with the warning while talking to reporters after visiting Krishna Roy who is now undergoing treatment in the National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation in Dhaka yesterday.