



Primorye region during the back-to-school day on Friday, or as it is known in Russia “Day of Knowledge,” Kedr noted.

Russia’s Emergency Situations Ministry warned that heavy rains would continue over the next two days, causing river banks to hit “critical” levels of up to 2.5 meters above normal levels and flood adjacent territories.

Meanwhile, authorities in Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, the administrative capital of the Russian island of Sakhalin, imposed a citywide state of emergency after a monthly norm of rain fell in a single day.

More than 300 homes in Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk were submerged by up to a meter of water, Kedr said.

Forecasters warn that Typhoon Saola, which is currently on approach to Hong Kong and southern China, will bring more heavy rains to the Russian Far East in early September.

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