

EXAMBEES DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020

## NATIONAL

1. Despite odds posed by the pandemic, Paradip Port clocked 25.73 Million Metric Tonnes cargo handling mark and becoming the No. 1 Major Port of India.

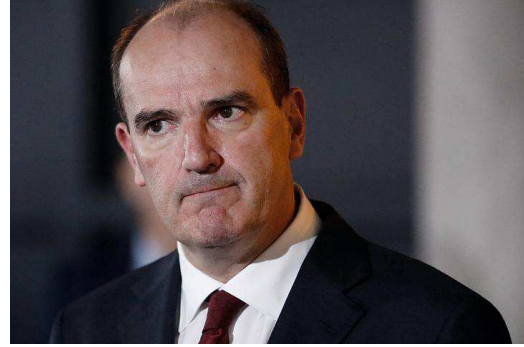


Paradip Port in Odisha

2. The Central government has moved the Supreme Court seeking closure of judicial proceedings in the country against two Italian marines accused of killing two Indian fishermen in February 2012 off the Kerala coast, saying that it has accepted the recent ruling of the **Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) at the Hague** which held that India is entitled to get compensation in the case but can't prosecute the marines due to official immunity enjoyed by them.
3. India's apex medical body ICMR announced that it aims to launch the world's first **Covid-19 vaccine, the indigenously developed Covaxin**, by 15 August, and has told select medical institutions to fast-track its clinical trial approvals.
4. **The Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port (SMP), Kolkata introduced a new service between Kolkata Dock System (KDS) and Chattogram (Chittagong) Port, Bangladesh**, through Indo-Bangladesh Protocol Route.
5. Education Minister Manish Sisodia launched an e-learning portal – LEAD (Learning through E-Resources Made Accessible for Delhi) – developed by the Delhi government that contains 10,000 instructional materials and course content for Classes I to XII.
6. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will dedicate to the nation **Asia's largest 750 MW Rewa ultra mega solar plant in Madhya Pradesh via video conferencing on July 10.**

## INTERNATIONAL

1. China appointed a hardliner, **Zheng Yanxiong** involved in a clamp down against protests on the mainland as the head of Hong Kong's new security agency, after imposing a sweeping law on the territory that criminalizes dissent.



2. French President Emmanuel Macron named **Jean Castex**, who coordinated France's virus reopening strategy, as the **country's new prime minister**.
3. German lawmakers have finalized the country's long-awaited **phase-out of coal as an energy source**, backing a plan that environmental groups say isn't ambitious enough and free marketers criticize as a waste of tax-payers money.
4. Tokyo prosecutors announced that they have filed a request for the extradition of two Americans arrested in the US for allegedly helping Carlos Ghosn, the former chairman of Nissan, flee Japan while he was out on bail.



5. The future of Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli will be decided at a crucial Standing Committee meeting of the ruling communist party, amidst growing demand for his resignation.
6. A US court ordered the continued detention of Pakistani origin Canadian businessman Tahawwur Rana, who has been declared a fugitive by India for his involvement in the 2008 Mumbai terror attack case.

## ECONOMY

1. **Amazon India has announced that it has opened close to 20,000 seasonal employment** opportunities in its customer service organization.
2. Domestic air traffic would decline by 41- 46% in Financial Year 2020-21 and international travel demand by a negative 67-72% owing to Covid-19. Domestic passenger flight services restarted from 25 May after two months of lockdown and in international operations remained suspended since 22 March.

- Power Minister R K Singh said that India will not import power equipment from China, amid border standoff with China. He also asserted that the equipment import from China and Pakistan would not be permitted especially on the basis of inspection.
- Stock indices up for third day propelled by Reliance Industries which announced another stake sale in its digital unit.
- Electronic chip maker Intel's investment arm, **Intel Capital**, will buy 0.39% stake in billionaire Mukesh Ambani's digital unit, Jio Platforms. For Rs. 1854.50 crore. **Intel Capital is the 12<sup>th</sup> company to join the list of marquee firms** who have recently have invested in Jio Platforms.
- Reliance Jio introduced JioMeet app for general public**, which can support upto 100 users in a session, according to its website.



## GAMES

- Pele took to social media to congratulate Lionel Messi on reaching 700 career goals. The Barcelona forward reached the milestone in the Catalan club's 2-2 home draw with Atletico Madrid in la Liga on his 862<sup>nd</sup> official match.
- Top scorer of Bundesliga from Bayern Munich Robert Lewandowski said the German champions are able to win the Champions League this season.



Pele (L); Lionel Messi (Centre); Robert Lewandowski (R)

- Sri Lanka police dropped a match-fixing investigation into the 2011 World Cup final due to lack of evidence.
- Sri Lanka Cricket is hopeful the Lanka Premier League will go ahead as scheduled in August despite Covid-19 forced lockdown of sports.

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Q.1 Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) for international arbitration is situated at \_\_\_\_\_

- A. The Hague
- B. Bonn
- C. Geneva
- D. Canberra

Q.2 Carlos Ghosn who escaped from Japan was the former chairman of which of the following automobile company?

- A. Lamborghini
- B. Nissan
- C. Daimler Chrysler
- D. Mercedes Benz

Q.3 Prime Minister Narendra Modi would dedicate to the nation Asia's largest 750 MW ultra mega solar plant in Madhya Pradesh at

- A. Rewa
- B. Katni
- C. Indore
- D. Sanchi

Q. 4 The Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port (SMP), Kolkata introduced a new service between Kolkata Dock System (KDS) and \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Pattaya City, Thailand
- B. Cox Bazar, Bangladesh
- C. Chittagong, Bangladesh
- D. Port Blair, India

Q.5 A US court ordered the continued detention of Pakistani origin Canadian businessman Tahawwur Rana, he has been declared a fugitive by India for his involvement in the –

- A. 1999 Kandahar Attack
- B. 1993 Bombay bombings
- C. 2001 Indian Parliament Attack
- D. 2008 Mumbai Attack Case

**Reference:** The Hindu, The Statesman, The Indian Express, The Economic Times and Miscellaneous

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