

## NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- Indo-China Corps Commanders talk:India pressing for return to locations(Status quo Ante).
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, will be participating in a virtual meeting of the foreign ministers of Russia, India and China (RIC) Today.
- Supreme Court clears Puri Rath Yatra, but with no crowds, with distancing and curfew throughout the day in the city.
- Election commission will go to court over false affidavit filed by the candidate during nomination.
- Not being allowed to leave India: Koreans probing vizag gas leak move Andhra Pradesh High court.
- Early sowing of soyabean in Maharashtra(Marathwada and Vidarbha area), but soyabean seeds fail to germinate.
- Gold prices extended gains for the four consecutive day to hit a new life time high of Rs 48,289 per 10 grams (24carat)in the Mumbai bullion market..
- London Stock Exchange's Nikhil Rathi to be CEO of UK financial watchdog Financial Conduct Authority(FCA).
- Moody's Investors Service projected the Indian economy to shrink 3.1 per cent in 2020 and said clashes with China on the border also suggest rising geopolitical risks in the Asian region.
- International atomic Energy agency(IAEA)passes resolutions against Iran.
- PM launches garib kalyan Rojgar abhiyan(GKRA).
- Kalyan Current Account may turn surplus in the June quarter after 12 years.
- Reports of Chinese build-up at Pangong lake in Ladakh.
- Peak demand for Shramik Specials trains over:Indian Railway.
- An earthquake of magnitude 5.3 damaged several residential buildings, churches and roads in Champhai district of Mizoram.

## INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY(IAEA) PASSES RESOLUTION AGAINST IRAN

### Key facts

1. IAEA adopted resolution called Iran to fully cooperate with the **IAEA's investigation team** into **two sites** in Iran.
2. It is mandatory to **implement safeguards agreements** with IAEA.
3. According to **2015 nuclear deal** known as, Joint comprehensive plan of action(**JCPOA**) Iran will have to adhere to IAEA access to sites and information.
4. JCPOA was signed between Iran and P5+1.
5. **P5+1** refers to the **UN Security Council's five permanent members** (the P5); namely China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States; plus Germany.
6. IAEA seeks to promote the peaceful use of nuclear energy, and to **inhibit its use for any military purpose**, including nuclear weapons.
7. IAEA was **established in 1957,HQ in Vienna**.

## GARIB KALYAN ROJGAR ABHIYAN(GKRA)

### Key facts

1. GKRA is to provide **livelihood opportunities** in areas/villages witnessing large number of **returnee migrant workers**.
2. Public works worth **Rs.50,000 Cr.** Would be carried out.
3. It will cover **116 districts across 6 states**(Bihar,UP,MP,Rajasthan,Odisha,Jharkhand).
4. It will continue for 125 days and 25 works have been identified.
5. Target is to saturate villages with public Infrastructure.
6. **67 lakhs** workers are expected to benefit from this scheme.
7. **Ministry of Rural development** is the nodal agency to implement this scheme.

## GALWAN VALLEY LOCATION

### Key facts

1. Galwan valley is located between steep mountains that buffet **Galwan river**.
2. Strategically located between Ladakh in the west and Aksai chin in the east.
3. Very **near to China occupied Tibet**.
4. Galwan Valley area has been part of the winter trade route.

## CURRENT ACCOUNT MAY TURN SURPLUS IN THE JUNE QUARTER AFTER A GAP OF 12 YEARS.

### Key facts

1. Finance Ministry:stringent lockdown squeezed economic activity,India **current account may turn surplus in the June quarter**.
2. Reason-**Lower trade deficit and lesser imports**.
3. Rise in **Net service receipts**.
4. Current account is country's current transaction including exports,imports,interest pmnt and BoP.