



- Govt allows export of indigenously made ventilators in view of low rate of fatality (2.15%) among Covid-19 patients
- Northern Railway runs first-ever Vyapar Mala Express train from Kishanganj in Delhi to Jirania in Tripura (2763 km)
- AP: 11 dead as crane crashes at Hindustan Shipyard in Visakhapatnam

**World**

- Barakah nuclear power plant in UAE successfully starts up its first reactor; is first on the Arabian Peninsula
- Week-long World Breastfeeding Week commenced from August 1

**Sports**

- Cricket: Former England allrounder Ian Botham (102 Tests in 1977-1992) made member of House of Lords in Parliament

**Current Affairs News Headlines: August 3, 2020****India**

- Citizenship Amendment Act: Home Ministry seeks three more months to frame rules
- Centre asks States and UTs to allow hospitalised COVID patients to use smartphones and tablet devices
- UP: Cabinet minister Kamal Rani Varun dies at 62 from COVID-19
- Rajasthan: State govt. to start Indira Rasoi Yojana in urban areas from August 20; food for poor at Rs. 8
- Quarantine rules for international travellers eased; quarantine period halved, claims for exemptions allowed
- Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) issues guidelines for drone operating systems
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah tests positive for coronavirus

**Economy & Corporate**

- Listed entities get 3 years to meet criteria of minimum 25% public shareholding
- Khadi Agarbatti AatmaNirbhar Mission program of KVIC approved to make India self-reliant in Agarbatti production
- Women entrepreneurs awarded by Women Entrepreneurship and Empowerment (WEE) cohort initiative of IIT Delhi

**World**

- Facebook blocks accounts of 12 supporters of Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro on court orders
- Hurricane Isaias hits Bahamas, heads to Florida (US) as tropical storm

**Current Affairs News Headlines: August 4, 2020****India**

- Sanskrit Day celebrated on August 3; every year on full moon day of Hindu calendar month of Shravan
- Tamil Nadu govt. rejects 3-language formula proposed in New Education Policy 2020; continue with Tamil and English
- National Institute of Technology (NIT) Trichy starts MA in English Literature
- Hyderabad with 3 lakh CCTV cameras is world's 16th Most Surveilled City; China's Taiyuan first

**Economy & Corporate**

- Serum Institute gets DGCI's nod for Phase-2 and 3 trials of Oxford's Covid vaccine 'Covishield'
- IndianOil enters into JV with Total of France for making speciality bitumen derivatives in India

**World**

- 2 U.S. astronauts return to earth from International Space Station in SpaceX's Crew Dragon "Endeavor"