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THE HINDU National

➔ Maldives rule out research by Chinese vessel in its water

Chinese research vessel Xiang Yang Hong 03 will carry out research in Maldivian water, but will arrive for a port call, the govt of Maldives said on Tuesday. The vessel will reach Maldives in early February.

The Maldivian Foreign Ministry said that it is a regular practice of Maldives to let civilian and military vessel to stay in Maldives on Port call.

Chinese research vessel docking has increased tension between India and Maldives

➔ Posthumous Bharat Ratna to Bihar ex CM Karpoori Thakur

President Draupadi Murmu on Tuesday announced that former Bihar CM Karpoori Thakur will be awarded with Bharat Ratna.

“The President has been pleased to award Bharat Ratna to Shri Karpoori Thakur (posthumously), a presidential communique said.

Karpoori Thakur was first Non Congress Chief Minister from Bihar, he served as CM of Bihar between December 1970 and June 1971. He further served from June 1977 to April 1979.

He was called as “JanNayak”. He played a major role in social justice politics in Bihar.



➔ UAE govt expresses interest to set up tourism township at hill station in Kerala

A proposal has been submitted to the center by the Ambassador of the UAE.

According to the proposal forwarded to Non Resident Kerala Affairs (NoRKA), the UAE has expressed willingness to develop the entire attendant infrastructure required for project in Kerala.

The state has identified Waggam / Munnar to set up tourist township by UAE.

Both Waggam and Munnar are popular hill stations at height of 3000 ft and 5200 ft respectively

➔ T.N. cabinet approves New policy aimed at ‘holistic development of women’

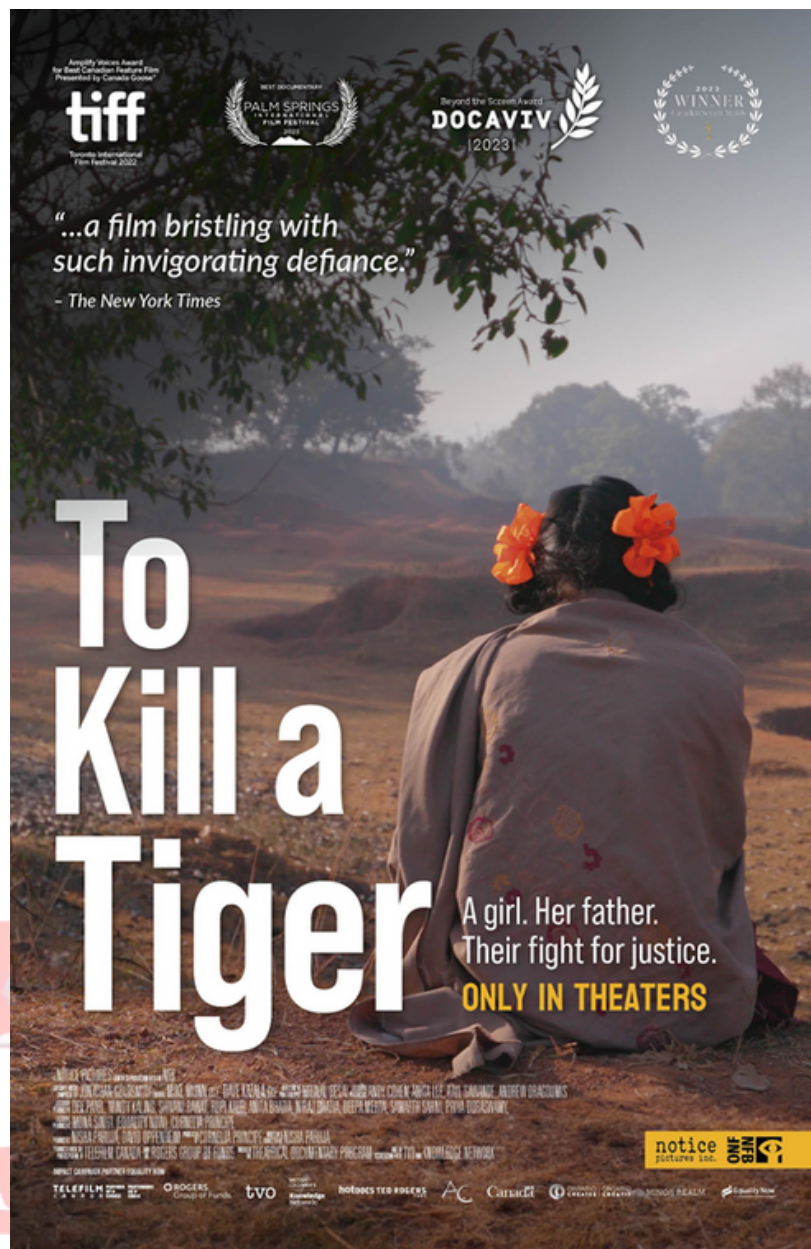
At a meeting on Tuesday Tamil Nadu govt approved the state’s new policy for Women, the draft of which was released in December 2021.

Addressing presspersons after meeting ministry of social justice and women empowerment P. Geetha Jeevan said that the policy aims at holistic development of women, and focussed on empowering them through education, economic independence and power sharing.

Under this Gender Budgeting cell is being created in all departments of Tamil Nadu govt

➔ **Oscar : film set in India nominated for best documentary**

“ To kill a Tiger “ is a Canadian produced documentary , and set in Indian village .
“ To kill the tiger “ has been nominated for the Best documentary features in the Academy awards.



➔ **January 22 now part of ‘widened ‘ republic day celebration , says Modi**

The Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said that Republic day celebrations now have “widened “ , and the “ auspicious “ festivities of January 22 on the consecration of Ram Mandir day , have also become part of the “ festival of democracy “ .
Earlier Republic day celebration used to start from January 23 (Parakram Diwas - Birth Anniversary of Subhash Chandra Bose)

➔ **French Marching contingent at republic day parade has members from India and Nepal**

Emanuel Macron is chief guest of Republic day Parade this year .
95 Member French Foreign. Legion Contingent will be part of the March at Kratavya Path , New Delhi .
Six Indians and six Nepalese will be part of this contingent .
The French Foreign Legion is a elite military corps open to foreigners to fight in French Army with certain conditions .
Two Rafale fighter jets and one Airbus 330 multirole tanker aircraft will also be part of flypast

➔ **Rahul booked for ‘ violence ‘ during Yatra says , he won’t be intimidated .**

The Assam Police has booked Rahul Gandhi for “ wanton acts of violence “

World

➔ Israel losses 24 soldiers in deadliest day of Gaza as talks continue

Israel said on Thursday, 24 soldiers were killed in the biggest single day losses, since the start of its ground war in Gaza. The incident happened when the building they were trying to blow up fell after a grenade blew that up.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told that an "investigation" has been launched.

A White House delegation is about to reach Israel for talks, it is expected that Israel will agree on two months pause in fighting for the release of hostages.

➔ Oppenheimer, Poor Things lead Oscar race

Christopher Nolan's Oppenheimer is among the top contender for Academy awards, The other films competing for best Film are Poor Things and Killer of the Flower Moon. Greta Gerwig's Barbie has earned eight nominations including a best picture and a nomination in Original Song category.

The Academy award will be held on March 10 at Dolby Theaters.

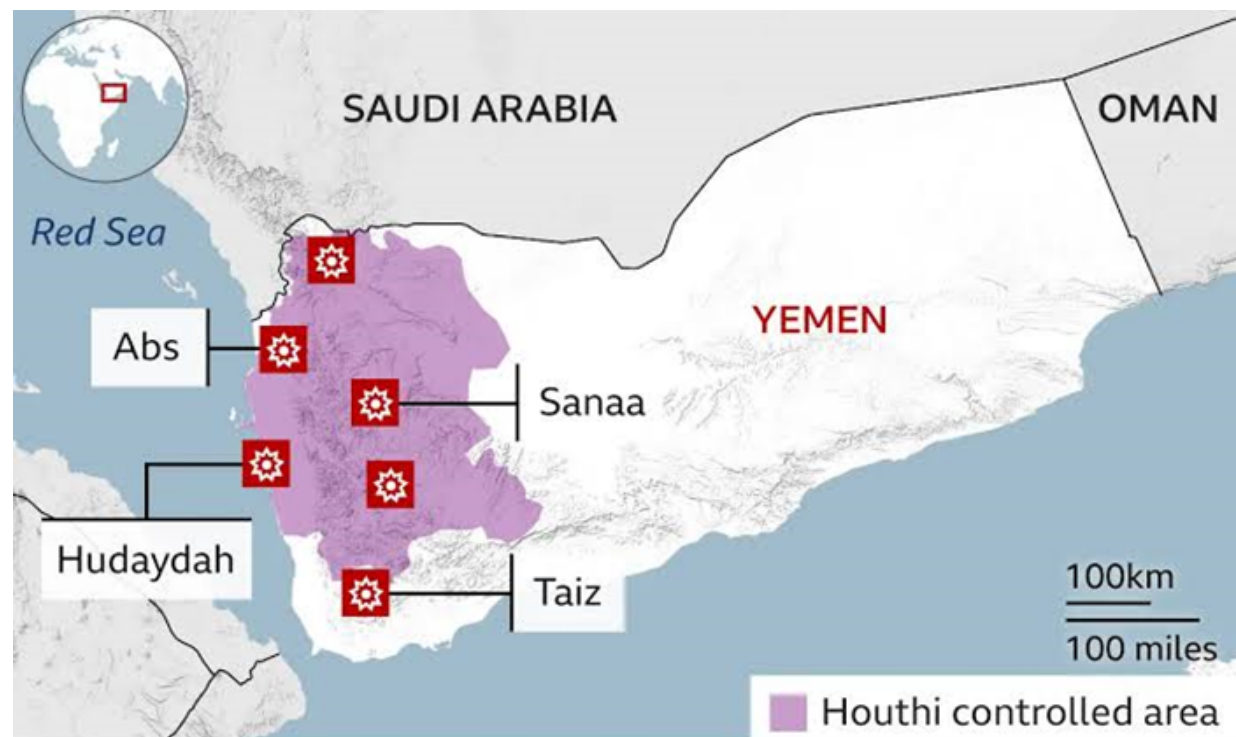
➔ US, Britain launch second round of military strikes

US and Britain jointly launched a second wave of joint military exercises on Houthis in Yemen.

They have hit eight Houthi targets with precision-guided munitions of British and US aircraft, and Tomahawk cruise missiles.

Despite recent attacks by US and UK on Houthi areas, Houthis have continued their strikes on ships in the Red Sea.

Houthis remained defiant after Tuesday's attack, its spokesperson Yahya Saree wrote on X: "These attacks will not go unanswered and unpunished."



Source: UK MoD, Houthi officials, Sanaa Center for Strategic Studies

BBC

➔ Pak Afghan border crossing reopens after border talks ; visa, passport not needed

Pakistan and Afghanistan after talks reopened Torkham Border.

The two countries had strictened the travel rules across the border recently.

From January 12, VISA was required to travel across this border.

Sports

➔ Rohit is skipper of ICC ODI team of year

ICC ODI Team includes Rohit Sharma (c) , Shubhaman Gill , Virat Kohli , Mohammad Siraj , Kuldeep Yadav , Mohamad Shami

ICC Test team – Pat Cummins (C) , Ravindra Jadeja and R . Ashwin are two Indian Players among 11 .

Shastri and Engineer honoured for their lifetime achievement

The BCCI Awards 2024 winner list :

Col CK Naydu lifetime achievement award : Men : CK Naydu , Ravi shastri

Polly Umirgar Award : Best International Cricketer : Men

Mohammad Shami (2019 -20) , R . Ashwin (2020-21) ,Jasprit Bumrah (2021 -22) , Shubhaman Gill (2022 -23)

Best International Cricketer , Women : Deepti Sharma , (2019 -20 , 2022-23) , Smriti Mandhana (2020 -21 ,2021-22)

Best International Debut ,Men : yeashshwi Jaiswal (2022-23)

Women : Amanjot Kaur (2022 -23)

Dillip Sardesai Award for Most Runs in Test Cricket : - Yashshvi Jaiswal .(2022-23)

Highest wickets in test cricket : R . Ashwin (2022-23)

WPL dates announced : Second edition of Women Premier League (WPL) will be played between February 23 and March 17 .

The matched will be held in Bengluru and Delhi .

Satwik Chirag Pair ragains BWF (Badminton World Federation) top ranking in Doubles .