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⇒ Center rules out MSP law, invited farmers for talk

- On Tuesday during talks with farmers, the center made it clear again that announcing a guaranteed Minimum Support Price (MSP) for farmers will not be possible.
- The government however offered a third round of talks to the farmers body .
- The constituents of SKM (Samyukt Kisan Morcha) urged PM Modi to intervene and stop using force

→ Center's stand

- Union. Agriculture Minister Arjun Munda told that the law on guaranteeing MSP center has to look at all sides of it .
- He also asked farmers to be wary of "disruptive elements" in their movement

→ Heavy deployment in Delhi

 Borders that come to Delhi have been barricaded and heavy security arrangements have been made at several locations. Farmers clash with Haryana Police on their way to Delhi



Congress promises MSP if it comes to power

• Expressing solidarity with farmers in Delhi , the Congress on Tuesday promised that it would provide a legal guarantee for Minimum Support Price (MSP) if the INDIA bloc comes to power

➡ Congress promises MSP if it comes to power

- PM Modi on Wednesday reached Abu Dhabi . He is on a two-day visit to the UAE .
- PM Modi met Sheikh Abdul Bin Nahyan , the two sides signed several Agreements , some key agreements are :
- Separate agreements were signed to link India's UPI and UAE's AANI.
- An agreement was also signed to link India's Rupay and UAE's JAYWAN.
- JayWan is based on the Rupay stack system.
- A panel is formed to build early understanding over the India Middle EastEconomic corridor (IMEC).
- Discussion was also to look into possibilities of buying LPG gas from UAE
- PM Modi took part in gathering of Indians living in the UAE at Sheikh Zayed stadium. The stadium was filled with 65,000 spectators from the Indian community.
- PM Modi on this occasion called UAE as "partner in progress". He told that the partnership was getting stronger in all areas, and reaching newer heights

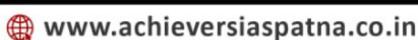
➡ Indira Gandhi , Nargis Dutt film awards to be renamed

- The 'Indira Gandhi Award for Best Debut Film of a Director 'has been renamed to 'Best Debut Film of a Director 'Nargis Dutt award for best feature film on National Integration has been renamed as 'Best film on Social issues'.
- The prize amount of these awards has also been increased .The changes has been made on recommendation of a committee on rationalization of Film awards

➡ Karnataka tables bill making 60% kannada necessary in nameboards

- The Kannada Language Comprehensive Development (Amendment) Bill, 2024, was tabled in the state legislative assembly on Tuesday.
- The bill has provisions that the name boards of commercial, industrial and business undertakings, trusts, counseling centers, hospitals, laboratories, amusement centers and hotels etc should have at least 60 % in Kannada in the upper half of the board.

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• Recently Kannada outfits have been campaigning aggressively to promote use of Kannada on signboards

Ranjan Gogoi receives Assam Vaibhav award

- Former Chief Justice of India (CJI) Ranjan Gagoi was conferred Assam's highest civilian award AssamBaibhav in Guwahati on Tuesday.
- Assam Vaibhav award was announced by CM Himanta Biswa Sharma in December, 2021 on 'Asom Divas'.
- This is the second time a person has been given the Assam Baibhav award, the first Assam Baibhav award was given to Ratan Tata.
- The award contains ₹5 lakh and free medical treatment by Assam govt

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⇒ Pakistan's leading parties agree to form a Coalition without. imran's PTI

- Pakistan's leading political parties minus Imran Khan's party has agreed on the formation of a new Government in Pakistan.
- PML- N (Nawaz Sharif's party) has proposed the name of Shahbaz Sharif for the Prime Ministership post . Daughter of Nawaz Sharif Maryam Nawaz has been proposed for Chief Minister of Punjab Province .
- The stand of parties in election results is PTI -101 PML N -75, PPP -54, MQM 17, Others 17

⇒ Ethiopian forces massacred at least 45 civilians : rights bodies

- Ethiopia's government's security forces killed at least 45 civilians in Amhara state in late January. The information was revealed by the Ethiopian Human Rights Commission (EHRC) in a statement.
- The statement said that "the identity of at least 45 individuals who were extrajudicially killed by government security forces "in the town of Merawi for allegedly supporting an ethnic Amhara militia known as Fano.
- Ethiopian army for months has clashed with ethnic militant group Fano

⇒ US senate passes Ukraine aid bill ,house likely to reject it

The US senate on Monday approved long delayed funding for Ukraine's war effort.

- The 95 billion dollar package includes funding for Israel's military and key strategic ally Taiwan, but the lion's share 60 billion dollars would help Ukraine depleted ammunition supplies, weapons and other crucial needs.
- The previous attempt to pass the bill was stalled by Republicans

Russia declares 'Estonia 'PM wanted in war memorials spat -

- Russia declared Estonian leader Kajjas Kallas and other US officials as "wanted" over alleged involvement in destruction of Soviet Era war Memorials.
- Soviet Era war memorials in Estonia , Latvia and Lithuania are seen as symbols of their time under Soviet occupation



Armenia says four killed in border flare up with Azerbaijan

- Armenia and Azerbaijan have accused each other of opening fire on Thursday.
- This is the first major escalation after the Nagorno Karabakh region being completely occupied by Azerbaijan

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