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→ **LS to witness rate contest for speaker's** On second day of the Lok Sabha session , INDIA bloc and NDA fielded their own candidates for speaker .

- Om Birla of BJP has been fielded by NDA , while K Suresh of has been fielded by INDIA bloc .
- This is a rare occasion for a contest for a speaker's post .
- accused BJP of not following the “ convention “ by giving the Deputy Speaker post to the Opposition leader .
- Piyush Goyal accused Congress of using “ pressure politics “ by putting preconditions .
- By Convention Deputy Speaker post goes to the opposition .
- There were only three occasions in 1952 , 1967 and 1976 when the election for speakers was held .
- The speaker and Deputy speaker are elected from amongst the Lok Sabha members by “ simple majority of members present and voting “ .

→ **Rahul Gandhi to be leader of Opposition (LoP) in Lok Sabha**

- Rahul Gandhi will be the leader of Opposition (LoP) in Lok Sabha , the Congress announced on Tuesday .
- This was announced by Congress President Mallikarjuna kHrge .
- The LoP enjoys the rank of a cabinet minister , he is in the selection panel for key official appointments such as Election Commissioner , CBI Director , Central Vigilance Commissioner , National Human Rights Commission Chief .

→ **Sri Lanka Navy sailor dies during pursuit to Indian boat : 10 Tamil Nadu fishermen held**

- A sailor from Srilankan Navy was killed in an operation , that was aimed at arresting Indian fishermen illegally fishing in Srilankan waters .
- The Navy personnel was injured due to aggressive manoeuvres by fishermen , Srilankan Navy said in a statement ..
- 10 Indian Fishermen were arrested in the operation on the charges of illegal fishing in the Srklankan waters , off Kankesanthurai in Jaffna Peninsula .
- This is the third incident of Srilankan Navy abducting Indian fisherman this month .
- TamilNadu CM MK Stalin said that he has written to EAM S Jaishankar for early release of fishermen .
- The coast of the two countries is only 12 nautical miles (22 miles) apart . Mechanised fishing by Indian fishermen is one of the problems cited by Sri Lanka . Mechanised Bottom trawler fishing damages ecology and depletes fishery . No agreement on abolishing Mechanised trawlers has come yet . India says that it is in favour of regulating Mechanised Bottom trawling , rather than banning .

→ **Delhi HC stays bail granted to Kejriwal**

- Delhi High Court on Tuesday stayed the bail of Arvind Kejriwal in the excise policy case .
- Justice Sudhir Kumar Jain said the trial court had not sufficiently appreciated the evidence submitted by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) .
- The court said that ED was not given adequate chance to argue in the stay application .
- AAP said that it would challenge the order in Supreme Court



→ **NTA reforms panel to elicit view of parents , students**

- The reforms panel under NTA has said that it will involve suggestions of students and parents over reforms in examination. Process
- K Radhakrishnan said thts the aim is to build a tampee proof system , a system with zero error .
- Revised date of NEET PG will be announced next week , responsible authorities have said .

→ **Pak delegation inspect Rattle power project , on Chenab river in J&K**

- A five member Pakistani team along with neutral experts from the World Bank visited the 800 MW Rattle Hydroelectric project on Chenab river . The team is also likely to inspect 1000 MW Palal Dul Hydropower project , being built at Marusudar river .
- Pakistan has been raising technical concern over India's hydropower projects and has even demanded arbitration by International forums , but these claims have so far been .rejected by India .
- It is still unclear whether the team will visit the Kishanganga Project . The Kishanganga Project has been under criticism by Pakistan in past .
- Under the Indus Water Treaty (IWT) , Pakistan has been given right to use Indus , Chenab and Jhelum . India however can limited use these rivers for irrigation and hydroelectric power .

➔ **Defence Ministry signs 350 th contract under iDEX for ' miniaturised satellite '**

Under the 350 th contract under Innovations for defence excellence (iDEX) ,Defense ministry signed 350 th contract with Space Pixel technologies for the design and development of " miniaturised satellite capable of carrying electro optical , infrared , synthetic aperture radar , hyperspectral payload upto 150 kg " ., defence ministry announced ..

The modular small satellite , will integrate multiple miniaturised satellites , as per requirement , providing advantages such as faster and economical advantage , ease of Manufacturing , scalability , adaptability and less environmental impact .

A Miniaturised Satellite is small satellite under 1200 kg .

➔ **Ahead of roll out of the new criminal laws , Union Home ministry takes e Sakshya app**

Days ahead of launch of three criminal Acts z ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is testing e Sakshya app . The police has to record scenes of crimes ,search and seizures and upload these to the cloud in the app . The police officer has to upload a selfie after the procedure is completed . BNSS mandated mandatory audiovisual recording of search and seizures in each criminal case . Forensic examination is mandatory for criminal case that draws punishment of more than seven year .

WORLD

➔ **Chinese lunar probe returns to Earth with first samples from far side of moon**

- China's Chang'e 6 probe returned on earth with rock and soil samples from the far side of the moon .
- The probe landed in the inner Mongolian region in Northern China .
- The Chinese side said that the far side will answer on differences between the two sides of moon .
- Near side of the moon is what we see from earth . Far side is not visible from earth . It has more mountains and craters than the near side .
- China is the only country to land on the far side of the moon and bring back samples . The US and USSR has brought back samples from near side of moon.



The Chang'e 6 lunar probe after it crashed back to earth. Image Credit: Screen grab of video from China Central Television.

➔ **Five shot dead protesters breach Kenya's parliament**

- Five persons were shot dead and 31 wounded on Tuesday during a protest in Kenya over proposed tax hikes , as crowds opposed the move .
- The rallies by the president began last week with the president saying over the weekend that he was ready to talk to the protesters .
- Anger over cost of living spiralled last week ,

➔ **Regions east of Mahakali river are ours , says Nepal PM**

- Nepal PM Pushpa Kumar Dahal ' Prachada ' said on Tuesday that his government is clear and determined that all territories east of Mahakali River , including Limpiyadhura , Lipulekh and Kalapani come under Nepalese territory .
- He was answering a question in Nepal's National Assembly .
- The current border between the two countries was marked by British in 1816 under treaty of Suvaui .
- In 2020 , Nepal released its new map in which Limpudhiyara , Kalapani and Lipulekh was shown as Nepalese territory .
- India reacted sharply calling it a " unilateral act " and cautioned Kathmandu against any such " artificial enlargement , " . Currently the claimed part is under India's control .
- The Nepal government replaced the old map used in all official documents with a new map , despite India's objection .



→ **Julian Assagne set to plead guilty in an Espionage Act charge and then walk free**

- Julian Assagne is on his way to Saipan , a US commonwealth island , where he would plead guilty of the charges of publication of classified documents . This comes under a plea deal with US .
- Later Mr Assagne , an Australian citizen will be freed and would be able to reside in Australia .



This will bring an end to the case .

The US has been trying for years to extradite Mr Assagne in a case of release of classified documents .

→ **ICC issues warrants for Russia army chief , ex ministers**

- The International Criminal Court on Tuesday issued arrest warrants against former defence minister Sergei Shoiguo and Russian Army Chief Valery Garshikov .
- The pair is accused of the war crimes of directing attack on civilian targets , and causing excessive incidental harm , as well as crime against humanity of " inhumane acts " in Ukraine .
- Russia has dismissed the decision as " insignificant " .
- ICC has not a force of its own . It has to depend on member countries for enforcing it's rulings . 124 countries are its members .
- Generally those issued arrest warrants do not travel to ICC member countries as they can be arrested .
- Russian President Putin earlier was issued an arrest warrant by the ICC . Putin skipped the BRICS summit to South Africa . South Africa is a member country of the ICC .

Editorial

→ **Call for consensus**

- Parliament should give room for extended debates and disagreements
- The editorial is about the Parliament session that started on June 24 . The session saw an impasse over the *pro tem* speaker post . Now , the opposition is not happy with NDA over not assuring the Deputy speaker post for the opposition .
- PM recently said that he wants opposition thts is constructive and not those who stalls parliament over everything .
- The editorial says that the ruling government should give more room to opposition for the parliament to function properly .

→ **Free man**

- Assagne deserves his freedom , but his conviction deserves free speech
- The editorial is about Jullian Assgne case.
- Jillian Assagne is going to plead guilty before a US court , and he is expected to allow be free .
- Mr Assagne had published classified documents on US operations in Iraq , Afghanistan . Chelsea Manning, a person linked to the US military, had handed over the classified documents to Mr Assagne .
- Chelsea Manning was awarded 35 years in prison which was later abrogated by former President Barack Obama .
- The Australian government proposed the US to let Assagne free if he pleads guilty .
- The editorial says that even his conviction by pleading guilty is a blot to free speech .