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1. Missiles hit Kyiv, city on the ‘defensive’

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- Ukrainians crowd bomb shelters;
- Russia claims control over airport
- Russian missiles pounded Ukrainian capital Kyiv on Friday, families cowered in shelters and authorities told residents to prepare Molotov cocktails to save the city from an assault that the Mayor said had begun with saboteurs in the city.

2. Surprise enemy with Indian arms, says PM

- Modi calls for vibrant defence industry
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday stressed the importance of customisation and uniqueness of defence systems for having a surprise element over the adversaries

3. CBI arrests former official of NSE in Chennai

- During questioning, Subramanian did not reveal identity of ‘Himalayan yogi’.
- The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), which arrested former National Stock Exchange (NSE) group operating officer Anand Subramanian on Thursday, has claimed that he had created an email account purportedly used by an unknown “Himalayan yogi”, with whom the then exchange’s managing director Chitra Ramkrishna shared internal documents

4. Hijab row: HC reserves verdict on please

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- After a marathon hearing of nearly 23 hours spread over 11 days, the High Court of Karnataka on Friday reserved its verdict on the petitions filed by nine Muslim girl students, who are studying in two government pre university colleges in Udupi district, questioning the denial of permission to wear hijab (headscarf) in classrooms.

5. Putin’s moves are hardly ‘chess thumping’

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- The Russian President’s actions this week may yield tactical gains but scarcely pass the test for strategic victory.
- Diplomacy has retreated as the smouldering Ukraine crisis took a decisive turn this week. On February 24, Russian President Vladimir Putin launched “special military operations” with the objective of “demilitarising Ukraine” but not “occupying” it. Just days prior to this, Russia had upped the ante by recognising the sovereignty of the Peoples’ Republics of Donetsk and Luhansk, two of Ukraine’s easternmost provinces and deploying Russian peace-keeping forces in these territories.

6. Inflection point for the West-led global order

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- Its future will be defined by how it responds to the crisis in Ukraine, and in the shadow of growing Russia-China ties.
- The Ukraine crisis has come to a head with Russia biting the bullet and launching “a full-scale invasion of Ukraine.” Even as the United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres was warning that the world was facing a “moment of peril” and calling for “restraint, reason and de-escalation” to avoid “a scale and severity of need unseen for many years”,

7. Air India to fly planes to Ukraine’s neighbours

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- Air India will start evacuation flights to countries bordering Ukraine from Saturday even as the government has requested other airlines to join the “operation” to bring back Indians trying to flee the war-torn country
- The Indian Medical Association (IMA) has appealed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, seeking his urgent intervention to help stranded Indian students pursuing their medical studies in Ukraine.