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Thread on the #ArnabGate #WhatsAppLeaks. Alleged Journos are outraging how Arnab knew a retaliatory strike for #PulwamaAttack was imminent days before. Well here's a list of people who knew beforehand

1. @htTweets because the PM said so on 23rd FEB



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"Trust the brave soldiers of the country and trust the Modi government...This time, everyone will be taken to justice and complete justice will be served," said PM Modi adding, "Your pradhan sevak is busy finishing terror...If I am destined to put locks to the factory of terror, so be it."

2. The @IndianExpress knew because the reported Sambit's speech TK this effect

The Indian EXPRESS

Govt will take revenge for Pulwama attack: Sambit Patra

Sambit Patra was here to attend Intellectual Conference at Law Bhawan in Sector 37.

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Sambit Patra and Sanjay Tandon at the event on Saturday. (Express photo: Kamleshwar Singh)

Written by Sumedha Sharma

3. @IndianExpress had been reporting @ImranKhanPTI saying this a full 6 days before the attack. Did Modi call and inform Khan as well?



4. Also on the 24th IE carried PM's Mann ki Baat

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You must have seen how **the** steps have been taken within 100 hours of **the** attack. **The** Army has now taken **the resolve to destroy terrorists** and their patrons : PM Modi on #MannkBaat

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5. By the 19th (8 days prior to Balakot) Imran was worried enough that he even approached the UN to “defuse the situation”.

Hindustan Times
@htTweets

"If you (Indian govt) **think you will attack us** and we will not **think** of retaliating, we will retaliate. We all know starting a war is in the hands of humans. Where it will lead **us** only God knows. This issue should be solved through dialogue": Pak PM on #PulwamaAttack (ANI)



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6. Notably @thewire_in & @CNNnews18 journalist Karan Thapar in his @htTweets column on the 24th (obviously written & edited by the 23rd) seemed to think a retaliatory strike was imminent

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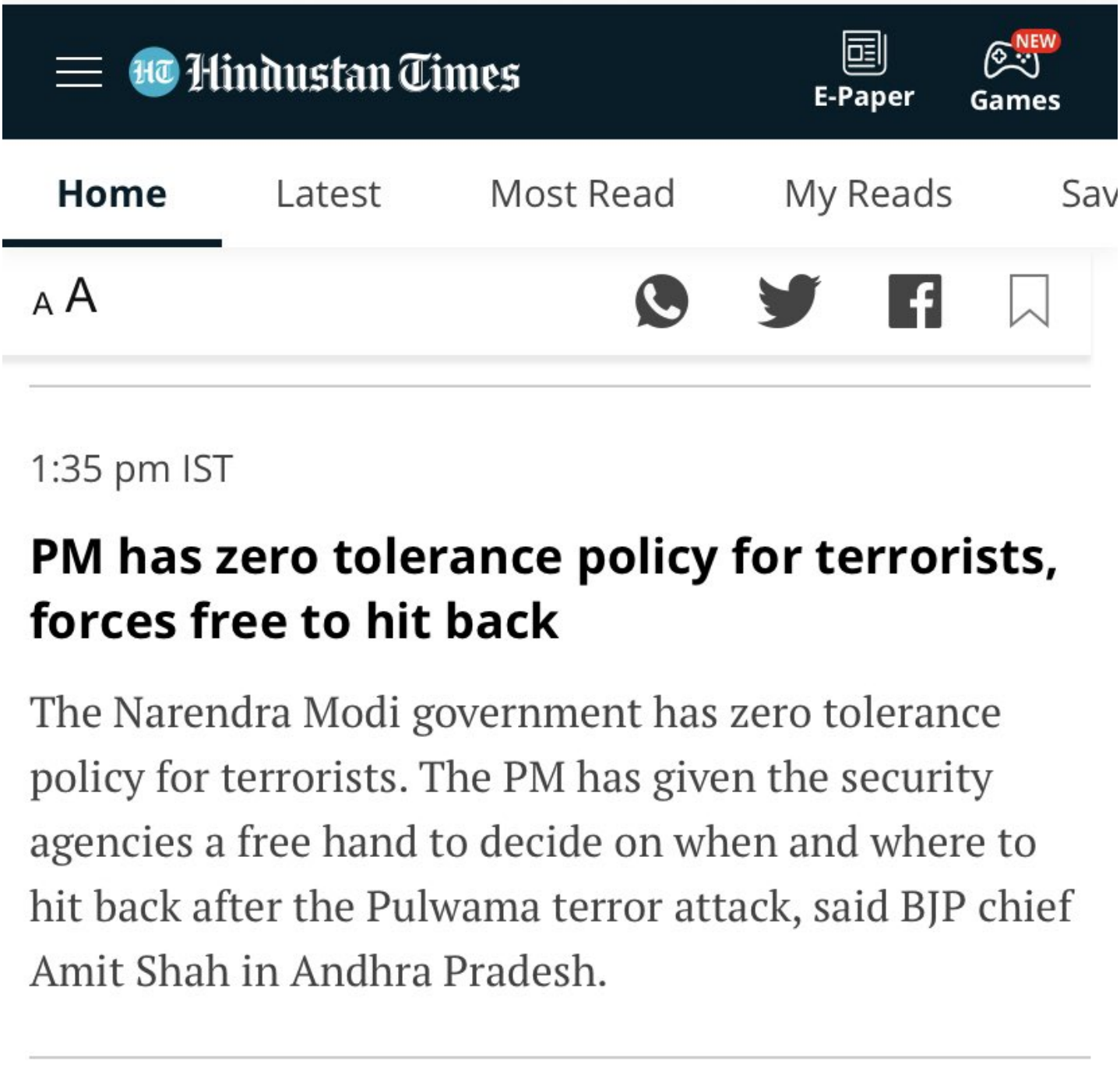
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7. Meanwhile - Imran Khan and the Pakistan army were able threatening Afghanistan as far back as the 19th of Feb 2021 - saying the Indian retaliatory strike would derail talks



8. Amit Shah similarly announced retaliation was imminent at a rally on the 21st of Feb.



9. In short at least since the 19th a full 8 days before Balakot happened, the Government made it clear, retaliation was imminent. If alleged journalists didn't pick up on this, it just shows you what trashy journalists they are. Arnab didn't say anything not already public.

10. Adding more from crowdsourcing (via @AbhiNationalist) on the 24th US President Trump suggested a strong Indian retaliation seemed imminent & John Bolton strongly supported India's imminent retaliation.



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