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Farmers rest inside a trolley on Sunday during their protest against new farm laws, at Ghazipur border, in New Dalhi, PTI

## Farm laws are cleath warrants for farmers: Kejriwal

MELRUT, PTI: Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Sunday called the new farm laws a "death warrant" for farmers, claiming they would take away their land and reduce them to labourers on their own farms.

Addressing a Kisan Mahapanchayat organised in Meerut by the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) against the Centre's contentious laws, Kejriwal said farmers are continuously agitating in the cold because their farms will be taken over by capitalists.

He claimed that three-and-ahalf lakh farmershave committed suicide in the last 25 years.

The AAP national convener alleged that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) cheated the farmers after coming to power.

Today, farmers are being tortured all over the country, Kejriwal alleged, referring to the protests.

Water cannons are being

## Tikait to tour 5 states to drum up support for farmers' protest

Farmer leader Rakesh Tikait will be touring five states in March to drum up support for the ongoing farmers' protest against the Centre's new agriculture laws, a Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) office-bearers aid on Saturday, reports PTI.

Tikait, the national spokesperson of the BKU and a prominent face of the farmers' protest, will begin the tour from March I, the office-bearer said.

"Farmers' meetings will be held in Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana, while two meetings will also be held in UP in March," BKU media in-charge Dharmendra Malik said.

nails are studded on roads to restrict their movement, he

Stressing that farmers are not enemies of the country, he accused the Union government of surpassing the Britishers in oppressing people.

Kejriwal further alleged that used against them and iron the farmers are being falsely

prosecuted.

"These people (government) were behind the incident at the Red Fort. All the people coming to me said that these peopledeliberately gave way to the farmers so that they move towards the Red Fort. Those who hoisted the flag were their own workers," Kejriwal alleged.