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Farmers should have open mind on farm Bills: HDK

BENGALURU, DHIS: JD(S) Legislature Party leader H D Kumaraswamy said on Saturday that the agitating farmers should have an open mind towards the new farm Bilis even as he urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to put an end to

the prolonged protests.

"I personally feel that farmers should have an open mind towards'experimenting' with the new legislation," Kumaraswamy saidin a series of tweets.

Kumaraswamy "Forquitesometime, there has been a strong

publicopinion that Indian agricultural sector is caught in a vicious circle. It is very much necessary on our part to be ready for any experiment, if it can bring about welfare of the farm sector by rescuing it from the vicious circle," he said.

PMModishould hold a "decisive" meeting to end the deadlock, he said. "This is inevitable in the interest of protecting the country's dignity."

Expressing concern that the farmers' protest could result in a bad image for India, Kumaraswamy said Modi should also realise that "the reputation and name earned by himself after becoming the prime minister may get blemished through such protests".