

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವಿಧಾನ ಸಭೆ, ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖನಾ ಶಾಖೆ  
KARNATAKA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, RESEARCH AND REFERENCE BRANCH

ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ತುಣುಕುಗಳು  
PAPER CLIPPINGS

ಇಲಾಖೆ / ವಿಷಯ : DEPARTMENT / SUBJECT:

29  
Other state legislative  
Matters  
Speaker

ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯ ಹೆಸರು : NAME OF THE NEWS PAPER:

Deccan Herald ದಿನಾಂಕ : DATE: 11/11/24

## Customs questions Kerala speaker

ARJUN RAGHUNATH  
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, DHNS

Kerala Legislative Assembly speaker P Sreeramakrishnan has been quizzed by the Customs in connection with the probe into the US dollar smuggling case.

Sreeramakrishnan had earlier kept off from appearing before the Customs twice for quizzing citing personal inconveniences. Hence a Customs team visited the Speaker's official residence on Friday and took his statement.

According to the speaker's office, a Customs team from Kochi came to the speaker's residence and sought some clarifications from him. The whole process lasted for two to three hours.

The Customs had earlier registered a case based on gold smuggling accused Swapna Nair's statement that US dollars worth Rs 1.9 crore was smuggled with the knowledge of the Speaker and the Speaker intended to make an investment in educational institutions abroad.

Allegations of Sreeramakrishnan's

nexus with the gold smuggling accused surfaced much earlier as he was found to have inaugurated a shop of one of the accused. But Sreeramakrishnan had maintained that he did not have any nexus with the accused.

Recently, Sreeramakrishnan made a video post on social media alleging that a 'wretched creature' was unleashing a rumour that he (Sreeramakrishnan) tried to end life as his family life was shattered. He said that he was not a coward and was willing to open up before any investigation agencies.