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**In a first, speaker
appoints adviser**

For the first time in the history of the Karnataka legislature, speaker Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri will have an adviser to the chair. Former assembly secretary Om Prakash has been appointed for the role. Secretariat sources say the appointment was made in Kageri's "personal" capacity. "It is only the nomenclature which has led to aspersions being cast against the speaker, but in reality, the appointment is in his personal capacity and Prakash will effectively serve as a personal secretary," said a legislature official. Rules allow every legislator, including the speaker and ministers, to appoint one government official and another private person as personal secretaries. The salary of the personal secretary is borne equally by both the legislator and the government. Prakash retired from the post of assembly secretary in 2015. Meanwhile, the government has cancelled the appointment made by the HD Kumaraswamy-led coalition government to the post of chairman, minority commission and has appointed former MLC Abdul Azeem to the post. Azeem had jumped ship from the JD(S) to Congress and later BJP.