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Abrogate CAA, NPR, NRC: T'gana passes resolution

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Narrow-Minded Politics Is Dividing Country, Says KCR

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Hyderabad: Telangana on Monday passed a resolution in the state assembly against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA), National Population Register (NPR) and the National Register of Citizens (NRC). The resolution said that there was a concerted effort to tinker with the inclusiveness of Indian citizenship through this exercise, which the state government was opposing.

The resolution, introduced by chief minister K Chandrasekhar Rao in the Telangana assembly, urged the central government to amend CAA by removing all references to religion or foreign country. "Abrogate CAA," KCR said in the house.

Although the resolution does not explicitly say that NPR work will be stopped, sources in the government told TOI that the state government would not implement it in its present format. "Work on NPR was to start on April 1. If the Centre gives us a revised format



K Chandrasekhar Rao

by removing questions on place and date of birth of parents, we can still complete it within the September 30 deadline," said a source.

KCR told the assembly that his government feared NPR and NRC may result in exclusion of a large number of people from citizenship. "We are opposing CAA, NPR and NRC after fully understanding their implications," he said. "Narrow-minded politics is dividing the country. The secular and tolerant image of India is at stake. The future of the country is at stake."

The resolution was supported by all TRS, Congress and AIMIM members, and opposed by the lone BJP

After Kerala, Rajasthan govt moves apex court challenging CAA's validity

New Delhi: The Congress government in Rajasthan moved the Supreme Court on Monday, challenging the validity of the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, saying it violates Articles 14 and 21 and also the basic structure on the principle of secularism.

It became the second state after Kerala to move the top court invoking Article 131 of the Constitution under which a state is empowered to directly move the top court in case of a dispute with the Centre. "Pass a judgement and decree that the Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019 is violative of Article 14 (right to equality) and Article 21 (right to life) of the Constitution as well as violative of basic structure principle of secularism. Thus Act 47 of 2019 (CAA) be declared as void," said the plea filed through lawyer DK Devesh. AGENCIES

MLA, T Raja Singh.

Congress floor leader Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka said the Telangana government should now issue an official order for removal of contentious questions from NPR. "Either write to the Centre to remove these questions or pass an order in the state to remove these questions from the NPR exercise," Bhatti said.

AIMIM floor leader Akbaruddin Owaisi thanked KCR for passing the resolution. He too urged the state government to pass an order

stopping all data collection activity as part of NPR besides approaching Supreme Court against CAA.

"Muslims being left out of CAA is a grave mistake and also goes against the Constitution," KCR told the house. He pointed out that Union ministry of home affairs in its report for 2018-19 stated that NPR was the first step to NRC but home minister Amit Shah said NPR and NRC are not linked. "Who is speaking the truth? Our doubts must be cleared."

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