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Council will elect new chair on Feb 9

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Bengaluru: The legislative council session has been extended by three days to facilitate the election of a new chairman, while the assembly session concluded on Friday.

The chairman's post fell vacant after senior Congress MLC K Pratapchandra Shetty resigned on Thursday to pre-empt a bid by BJP and JD(S) to vote him out through a no-confidence motion. The election for the post will be held on February 9.

The decisions to extend the council session and support JD(S) MLC Basavaraj Horatti's candidacy for the chairman's role were taken during a cabinet meeting called by chief minister BS Yediyurappa. In the 75-member house, the combined strength of BJP and JD(S) is 44.

Push for anti-cow slaughter bill

After the poll, the government is expected to table the controversial anti-cow slaughter bill in the council. The bill was passed in the assembly during the winter session last year. It was listed in the previous session, but BJP didn't press for its tabling as it was outnumbered by Congress and JD(S). With JD(S) moving away from Congress now, BJP believes it may be able to push the bill through.

JD(S) had earlier said that it would only offer issue-based support to BJP and that it was against the bill. If JD(S) holds this position, BJP has two options: persuade JD(S) to walk out without participating in the vote or ask it to defeat the bill without referring it to a joint select committee for a review. In the latter scenario, BJP will be able to pass the bill again in the assembly.

Last month, the government had promulgated an ordinance to implement the cow slaughter ban.