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# Over 3 lakh slum families to get title deeds

BENGALURU, DHNS

**T**he Cabinet on Thursday decided to legalise 3.13 lakh slum-dwelling families across the state by giving them title deeds.

Briefing reporters after the Cabinet meeting, Law Minister J C Madhuswamy said at present, identity cards were given to slum dwellers, but they did not come with legal entitlements. "Hence, the decision to give title deeds. However, title deeds will be given only for spaces that do not exceed 1200 sq ft," he specified.

This decision will bene-

fit more than 16 lakh slum dwellers living in 1,873 slums spread across 6,745 acres in various parts of the state.

In Bengaluru's municipal limits alone, there are more than 50,000 families living in 239 slums, Housing Minister V Somanna said.

According to an official release from the minister, this decision by the state government is in line with the Prime Minister's vision of 'Housing for all'. While this was a demand pending from several years by the slum dwellers, this has finally materialised now, he added.

## OTHER CABINET DECISIONS

- Approval for special rules to fill 37 vacant posts in Karnataka Bhavan, New Delhi. Weightage of 3 marks per year to be given to existing contract workers.
- Approval of increase of share capital of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Company (CESC) from Rs 1,000 crore to Rs 1,250 crore.
- Approval of Rs 65.48 crore for provision of food and other infrastructure for ST students residing in government hostels.
- Post facto approval for postponement of elections to various cooperative societies until December.
- As many as 64 criminal cases will be withdrawn in different cases registered in connection with protests over time, across the state.

## Legislature session from Sept 21

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Cabinet on Thursday decided to conduct the monsoon session of the legislature from September 21 to 30 in Bengaluru. But there is no clarity on how it will be held

in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

As per procedure, the state government was required to convene the legislature session before September 23, which is six months since the

last day of the previous session held on March 23.

Law Minister J C Madhuswamy said the details were yet to be worked out. "However, the session would be held in Bengaluru itself. "The

Cabinet can only decide the date. The modalities of how it will be conducted will have to be worked out with the Legislative Assembly Speaker and Legislative Council Chairman."