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Stage set for fiery legislature session from tomorrow

Opposition parties ready to corner govt on various issues

BENGALURU, DHNS

After a Cabinet reshuffle which left a few ministers on the verge of resignation, the state government is now gearing up for a fiery legislature session starting Thursday, January 28.

The public disgruntlement of BJP legislators over government functioning has provided sufficient ammunition for Opposition parties to corner the government over key issues, such as Covid-19 and flood relief, along with lack of funds to carry out development activities in various constituencies.

The session, which will be held till February 5, will also witness elections for chairman and deputy chairman of the Legislative Council, with a possible alliance between BJP and JD(S) to secure the two key posts in the upper house.

Opposition leaders are expected to corner the government following Governor's address on January 28. The issues to come up for discussion

in the houses of Legislature will include the continued opposition by farmers against an amendment to several laws related to the agriculture sector in the state and inadequate funds released by the state government to carry out development activities.

The delay in providing relief to flood victims, especially in Kalyana Karnataka districts, influence of third parties in state administration as alleged by ruling party MLAs, is also expected to embarrass the government during the session.

Elections

The nine-day session is also expected to end with a new chairman and deputy chairman of the Council. BJP - which is the single largest party in the Council - has already moved a no-confidence motion against Chairman Pratapchandra Shetty, who is expected to resign from the post soon after elections for deputy chairman.

The election for deputy chairman is necessitated following the demise of S L Dharme Gowda, who died by suicide in December. Speculations are that BJP has decided to back a JD(S) candidate for the chairman's post if the regional party backs them for electing a deputy chairman from the saffron party.