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SERIOUS CHARGES: There are allegations of misappropriation of funds by the Karnataka State Drugs, Logistics and Warehouse Society

PAC to conduct probe into med procurement

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Bengaluru: The public accounts committee (PAC), comprising legislators from the assembly and the council, on Tuesday decided to probe allegations of misappropriation of funds by Karnataka State Drugs, Logistics and Warehouse Society (KDLWS) in procurement of Covid-19 equipment. KDLWS is a wing of the government functioning under the health department.

At a meeting, the PAC discussed complaints received by the government over procurement of personal protective equipment (PPE) kits, medical equipment, hand sanitisers and infrastructure material meant for quarantine centres and Covid-19 hospitals.

According to sources privy to the matter, discussions were held over all such complaints related to corruption and funds misappropriation.

Confirming this, PAC chairman and Congress legislator HK Patil said the committee is looking into all such complaints and also taking a look at the system in

place to tackle the pandemic. "I have asked my secretary to provide details on the allegations levelled. We are looking into all complaints and will also visit the various Covid-19 hospitals, quarantine centres and screening locations (bus stands, railway stations, airports) to understand how the system has been put in place," said Patil.

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The PAC members' visit has been slated for May 28.

Meanwhile, discussions were also held over issues related to ration kits being supplied to migrant workers and BPL families over the last two months. "As of now, we have received complaints with regard to KDLWS and that is what we will probe. If there are specific complaints related to ration kits, we will probe them too," added Patil.