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MLCs' cabinet induction subject to HC's orders

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Bengaluru: The Karnataka high court indicated on Wednesday that possible cabinet induction of BJP MLCs R Shankar, AH Vishwanath and MTB Nagaraj would be subject to its orders.

PILs allege R Shankar, AH Vishwanath and MTB Nagaraj are not eligible to be ministers in BSY government

A division bench headed by chief justice Abhay Shreenivas Oka is hearing PILs that claim that the three former Congress-JD(S) politicians, who were disqualified as MLAs after the rebel drama last year, are not eligible to be appointed as ministers in the BS Yediyurappa government. The

PILs have also raised questions over their legislative council membership.

Senior lawyer Prashant Bhushan, who appeared for petitioners in one of the PILs, said on Wednesday that there were reports that the three MLCs could be made ministers soon. He urged the court to pass a restraint order as the legality of the three's nomination or election to the council was under challenge.

Bhushan claimed there was a clear-cut case against Vishwanath as he had been made an MLC through the backdoor, i.e. by way of nomination.

The court fixed November 19 as the date of next hearing and directed the state government to submit its statement of objections before that.