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Dy speaker Reddy quits; Mamani may replace him

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Bengaluru: M Krishna Reddy, deputy speaker of the assembly, resigned from the post on Tuesday even before speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri decided to take up the no-confidence motion moved against him by the ruling BJP.

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Elected on a JD(S) ticket from Chintamani assembly constituency in 2018, Reddy was made deputy speaker as



Krishna Reddy and Anand Mamani

part of the pact between JD(S) and Congress, which formed a coalition government. While Reddy was expected to step down soon after the coalition's fall, following which BJP came to power, he stayed put. He did not even heed the CM's

request to resign.

Kittur MLA Doddagoudar Mahantesh B was supposed to move the no-confidence motion seeking for his removal. Noting that tabling of the motion under rule 169, seeking removal of the deputy speaker, was on the day's agenda, Kageri said he was withdrawing it since Reddy had submitted his resignation papers.

With Reddy quitting, speculations are rife over the possibility of BJP MLA from Savadatti, Anand Mamani, who had been offered the deputy

speaker's post, replacing Reddy. Considering that BJP is enjoying a comfortable majority in the house and there's a lack of coordination between Congress and JD(S), it's likely that the BJP candidate would be elected unopposed. However, the due process has to be followed.

Officials in the assembly secretariat said the election bulletin with calendar of events would soon be announced and candidates have to file nomination before noon on the day before polls.