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Yatnal to CM: Don't backtrack on Maratha body

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Bengaluru: Even as various pro-Kannada organisations on Friday decided to call for a Karnataka bandh on December 5 to protest the government's decision to set up the Maratha Development Corporation, senior BJP MLA Basanagouda

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Patil Yatnal urged the chief minister not to backtrack on his decision.

Yatnal in Vijayapura defended the decision to set up the corporation for development of Marathas in Karnataka and

urged the CM not to be afraid of losing Kannadiga votes in the upcoming Basavakalyan and Maski bypolls.

"The government should give more facilities to Marathas considering their service. I urge the chief minister not to be scared by the threats and stick to his decision," he said.

He said he strongly opposed Marathi language and Maharashtra with regard to its border dispute with Karnataka. "I also condemn the statement of NCP functionary Ajit Pawar in the strongest words. But setting up of a corporation for Marathas in Karnataka is an altogether different matter," he added.