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They did not heed the requests of Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Speaker P Sreeramakrishnan. The watch and ward personnel forcefully removed the MLAs and the Opposition subsequently boycotted the House.

The governor later commented in jest that he had seen worse protests as an MLA.

Khan said that though he was of the view that the anti-CAA portion did not come under the definition of policy or programme, the chief minister said it was the government's view and hence he was reading it. It read that citizenship should not be on the basis of religion and that CAA was against secularism, which is the basic structure of the Constitution. The voices of genuine apprehensions of states need to be considered by the central government in the right spirit, keeping broad national interest in mind, particularly when constitutional values are involved and there are widespread anxieties and apprehension among a large number of our citizenry, it read.

The chief minister had earlier conveyed to the governor that the policy address was approved by the Cabinet and he was obliged to read it. It was widely speculated that Khan may skip the said portion, as was done by some governors in the past.



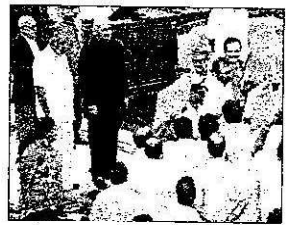
Go back: Oppn blocks Kerala governor in Assembly over CAA

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The Kerala Assembly on Wednesday witnessed high drama with the Congress-led Opposition MLAs blocking Governor Arif Mohammed Khan, who later read out anti-CAA portions in the CPM-led government's policy address, after expressing dissent.

Kerala was the first state to challenge the Citizenship Amendment Act in the Supreme Court, a move that was criticised by its governor. Khan has been at loggerheads with the government over the issue.

Taken by surprise over the governor's move to read out the reference, the United Democratic Front Opposition said the unholy nexus between the ruling Left front and the BJP has been exposed. The MLAs staged a protest against the governor for his pro-CAA



Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan (in black) being blocked by Opposition MLAs in the Assembly. PTI

stand and criticism against the joint resolution passed by the Assembly against the law.

As the governor entered the House around 9 am, the Opposition MLAs shouted 'Go back', 'No to CAA' and 'RSS agent' slogans and marched to the Well of the House, raising placards and banners. They blocked the governor from proceeding to the dais to deliver the policy address.

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