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BSY wins trust vote easily, vows no vendetta politics

BJP Govt Has No Mandate, Won't Last, Says Oppn

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Bengaluru: Chief minister BS Yediyurappa proved majority in the assembly on Monday without breaking a sweat, setting the ball rolling for cabinet formation with the nod from the BJP leadership in Delhi. The win somewhat erased memories of his trust vote 14 months ago when he had to resign on the floor of the House, admitting he did not have the numbers.

The BJP tally has since risen by one—to 105—enough to

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tide through a House reduced to 208 members in view of the disqualification of Congress-JD(S) rebels. The speaker held a voice vote, and the result was on expected lines as the opposition benches were empty. Congress-JD(S) did not press for a division of votes. The BSY government will now be in place for at least six months as a no-confidence motion cannot be moved prior to that period.

After the trust vote, the assembly passed the finance bill (vote on account) for three months along with the supplementary budget, clearing the way for payment of salaries and bills. Moving the trust vote, the CM reiterated his stance of “forget and forgive” and assured the opposition he would not practise vendetta politics. Slamming the trust vote, Congress leader Siddaramaiah said the BJP government is unconstitutional.

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'WE WILL SEE FOR HOW LONG YOU ARE CM'

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► BS Yediyurappa sails through trust vote, which is passed by voice vote, amid sharp words from leader of opposition Siddaramaiah

► Finance bill passed as vote-on-account for 3 months; relief for govt employees as salaries will not be held up

“I express my gratitude to oppn leader Siddaramaiah and former CM Kumaraswamy for not practising vendetta politics... and assure them that I too shall not do so for the remainder of this tenure
BS Yediyurappa | CM

“Let the incumbent CM and BJP govt present the facts of the loan waiver scheme..., which they criticised throughout my 14-month tenure. Let them implement the debt relief act passed on the last day of my tenure
HD Kumaraswamy | JD(S)

► Speaker KR Ramesh Kumar resigns after vote

► Congress rebels Ramesh Jarkiholi and Mahesh Kumathalli move Supreme Court, challenging their disqualification as MLAs

“We will see for how long you will be CM. There is no guarantee you will be at the helm for long, considering even this time you will depend on the rebels to support your govt
Siddaramaiah | LEADER OF OPPN



GOOD LUCK: CM BS Yediyurappa greets opposition leader Siddaramaiah after winning the trust vote on Monday

Ramesh quits after 2 fraught weeks; Bopaiyah next speaker?

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: Speaker KR Ramesh Kumar announced in the assembly on Monday that he was quitting the post with “a clear conscience”, minutes after the vote of confidence and passage of finance bill in the House.

The resignation was on expected lines as the speaker is usually from the ruling side. Also, BJP had hinted at moving a no-confidence motion against him. After submitting his resignation in the house, Kumar handed the responsibility to deputy speaker Krishna Reddy.

“I’ve performed my duty



Ramesh Kumar: “I’ve performed duties with a clear conscience,” as speaker with honesty in integrity and as per my conscience,” said Kumar. He had disqualified 17 Congress and

JD(S) rebel MLAs last week, holding them guilty of indulging in anti-party activities. The decision earned him bouquets from Congress and JD(S), and brickbats from BJP.

Senior BJP legislator KG Bopaiyah is expected to be elected speaker on Wednesday. A confidant of CMBS Yediyurappa, Bopaiyah is set to get the post for a second time.

Kumar expressed concern over deteriorating values in politics and stressed the need for electoral reforms, besides a relook at the 10th Schedule that deals with anti-party activities of MLAs.

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Hope BSY won't let down rebel MLAs, says HDK

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I express gratitude to opposition leader Siddaramiah and former CM H D Kumaraswamy for not having practised vendetta politics during their tenures," said the 76-year-old CM.

Yediyurappa said his priority was to bring the administration back on track, claiming it had been derailed in the past 14 months. Strongly reacting to the statement, Congress leader Siddaramiah and Kumaraswamy said it was a "baseless" allegation. The latter said Yediyurappa must provide evidence in the house as to how the administration was derailed.

The two leaders, who were at the centre of the coalition regime, said Vajivannam was



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The 10th Schedule has many loopholes. Without electoral reforms, there is no point in talking about curbing corruption," said speaker KR Ramesh Kumar.

He suggested the assembly pass a resolution seeking electoral reforms and review of the 10th Schedule as Parliament has to look into it. He also urged the assembly to amend the Karnataka Lokayukta Act to lay out punishment for MLAs who fail to disclose their assets and

condemn the trust vote sought by Yediyurappa as the BJP government is unconstitutional and undemocratic," said Siddaramiah.

"Even in 2008 when Yediyurappa became CM, he did not have the numbers. In his second term, BJP won 110 seats and was wholly dependent on the six independent

MLAs. There is no majority if the house was at full strength," said Siddaramiah.

"We will see how long you will be CM. There is no

Speaker to CM: Be careful of people around

white paper on the farmer loan waiver scheme he had initiated. "Let the BJP government present the facts of the loan waiver scheme which they had criticised throughout my tenure. Let them implement the debt relief act passed on the last day of my tenure," he said. Kumaraswamy chided Yediyurappa, who did not react to any of it, for failing to thank the rebels who ensured he became CM. "I hope you do not let them down like you did the independents in 2010, and that you fulfil your promises to them," Kumaraswamy taunted.

The JD(S) leader alleged the BJP continued to engineer more resignations. "I know you (BJP) are still trying to force some MLAs to resign by

►Wishing the CM good luck,

Kumar advised him to "keep good people" around him so that people benefit by his administration. "Personally, you (Yediyurappa) may be a good person with good intentions, but you should be careful about people around you," he said.

The rebels to support your government."

Stung by charges of "de-

ralisation", Kumar