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The government put the bill to create a goods and service tax on the list of business in the upper house late on Monday, the chamber's website showed.

But Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party which lacks a majority in the Rajya Sabha or the upper house, will struggle to bring a vote unless the opposition Congress party drops demands a minister resign over graft allegations.

The Congress party has repeatedly blocked debates during the "monsoon" sitting of parliament, which winds up on Thursday.

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