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JAPAN'S RULING LDP REPORTEDLY TO SET LEADERSHIP RACE ON OCT 4

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Japans ruling party is set to decide when and how an upcoming leadership race will be held, after Prime Minister Shigeru Ishibas resignation announcement triggered a vote to choose his successor.

The Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) is considering holding a full-scale leadership election with the participation of over 100,000 rank-and-file party members from across the nation on Oct 4, according to local media reports, including broadcasters NHK and TBS.

LDP officials see a need to sound out all its members, given the need to revive the partys fortunes, NHK reported.

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