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Bengal Inc lauds state budget

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Kolkata: Leading business chambers and corporate houses have lauded the Mamata Banerjee government's 2021-22 budget for keeping the fiscal parameters in control amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

Subhasendu Chatterjee, vice chairman, CII, West Bengal, and wholetime director, Haldia Petrochemicals, said despite severe financial hardships caused by the pandemic and natural disasters during the past one year, fiscal figures look good. "CII would like to congratulate the government for presenting a forward-looking budget balancing the welfare needs and economic well being of the people."

Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) has appreciated the tone of optimism in the budget. "The West Bengal budget reaffirms the government's commitment to push forward

the rising tide of well-being and prosperity for all. The budget clearly indicates that it has commitments to safeguard the lower income and vulnerable group of people from global adversities," the chamber added.

Rudra Chatterjee, chairman, Ficci West Bengal State Council, feels it is encouraging that Bengal has clocked a positive GDP growth amid an un-

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precedented time.

Bharat Chamber (BCC) president Ramesh Saraogi complimented the state government for accomplishing respectable economic indices.

Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Chamber of Commerce and Industry hailed the initiative of the state government of demand creation. The director-general of Bengal Chamber, Subhodip Ghosh, said the budget is right-


ly on demand creation possibly at the cost of outstanding debt and fiscal deficit. "That is a trade-off when the need is to get a demand-driven and production-led income growth." MCCI has welcomed the social schemes of the government.

The chairman of Singapore-based Universal Success, Prasoon Mukherjee, said that the allocation in the social sector will kick-start the entire urban and rural economy as there will be market liquidity and the cut in stamp duty will open up the real estate sector.

Emami director Aditya Agarwal is happy to see election promises being implemented by the chief minister. "This will pump in money in the hands of poor people."

Sarda group chairman G Sarda lauded the budget by saying it is a very well thought out one laying the foundation for growth and giving impetus on creating employment.

बजट में जनता का ध्यान : बंगाल चेंबर

 अंतरिम बजट में जनता के हितों का ध्यान रखा गया है . उन्होंने कहा कि अंतरिम बजट ऐसे वक्त में पेश किया गया जब राज्य वैश्विक महामारी और भीषण चक्रवात के प्रभाव से गुजर रहा है . मुख्यमंत्री ममता बनर्जी द्वारा पेश किये गये अंतरिम बजट में राज्य की सफलता को दर्शाया गया है . इसमें कोविड को नियंत्रित करने और सामाजिक मुश्किलों को दूर करने संबंध में जानकारी दी गयी है . मुफ्त राशन योजना और मनरेगा व स्वास्थ्यसूची के अधिक इस्तेमाल से सर्वाधिक प्रभावित लोगों को लाभ मिल सकेगा . राज्य सरकार द्वारा विभिन्न विकास कार्यों की घोषणा भी सराहनीय है . 46 हजार किलोमीटर की नयी ग्रामीण सड़क का अगले पांच वर्षों में निर्माण और उसे राज्य हाइवे से जोड़ना स्वागतयोग्य है . नये हाइवे और ब्रिजज कॉरपोरेशन की स्थापना का प्रस्ताव राज्य के आधारभूत ढांचे को मजबूती प्रदान करेगा . नये फ्लाइओवर व स्काइपाक की घोषणा प्रशंसनीय है .

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