

Budget development-oriented, say industry bodies

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GUWAHATI, Feb 6: The Assam State Council of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) today hailed the State Budget terming it as a “development-oriented” exercise.

Reacting to the Budget announcements made by Finance Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma today, Ashish Phookan, Chairman, FICCI Assam State Council, said this is a development-oriented Budget.

Particularly two important decisions – raising of the

threshold limit for GST registration to Rs 40 lakh and revision of the annual turnover limit for availing Composition Scheme under GST to Rs 1.5 crore – will help many small businesses, he said.

Phookan further said that the Asom Darshan and Asom Mala Schemes will be able to give a massive boost to the tourism industry in the State by providing much needed secondary support services necessary for development of tourism business by way of helping in improvement and upgradation of basic infrastructure.

He also congratulated the government for the infrastructure development initiatives.

“We welcome the attention that the tea industry has received in the Budget, particularly at a time when the tea industry is going through a difficult time,” he said.

Apex industry body Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (Assocham) today welcomed the State Budget for FY 2019-20 presented by Finance Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma by calling it as an “inclusive and development-oriented” Budget.

Assistive driving tech must in cars from 2022: Damle

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NEWDELHI: From 2022, Indian cars will need to have assistive driving technologies such as automated emergency braking, a senior government official said on Wednesday, a measure that can potentially help reduce a large number of road fatalities.

India records the highest number of road accident deaths in the world, with a person being killed every 3.5 minutes on an average. The government has asked automobile manufacturers to include several safety features, some of which are to kick in from this year.

These will include a speed limit alarm that will sound alerts at high speeds. "We have tried a lot to control speed in transport vehicles and mandated to have a speed governor not exceeding the speed of 80kmph and above. Some of the original equipment manufacturers will help bringing these systems. Drivers will get periodic alerts for high speeds," said Abhay Damle, joint secretary, ministry of road transport.

Damle was speaking at a conference on road safety organized by Assocham on Wednesday. He also said that air bags and seat belt reminders and reversing obstacle alerts will also be added to all cars from July.

MAKING ROADS SAFE



(From L2R) Mr. DS Rajora, Asst. Secretary General, ASSOCHAM, Sudeep Narayan, Director, PR & Corporate Communications, Volvo Auto India, Abhay Damle, IRS, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Vinod Pandey, Chairperson, Manufacturing Council, ASSOCHAM & Director, Government and External Affairs CSR, BMW India Pvt. Ltd, Mr. Ravishankar Rajaraman, Technical Director, JP Research India Private Limited and Rahul Sharma, Senior Managing Committee Member, ASSOCHAM unveiled a Knowledge report on Best Practices in Road Safety at ASSOCHAM 4th Conference on Safe Road-Safe Life in New Delhi on Wednesday

‘इंटेलीजेंस ट्रांसपोर्ट सिस्टम बनाने पर सरकार कर रही विचार’



नई दिल्ली, 6 फरवरी (नवोदय टाइम्स) : भारत में हर साढ़े 3 मिनट में एक व्यक्ति की मौत हो जाती है जिसमें सबसे ज्यादा युवा शामिल हैं। सड़क पर पहुंचने के बाद सड़क सुरक्षा को लेकर लोगों में और सरकार द्वारा अभी भी एहतियाती कदमों का साफ अभाव दिखता है। एसोचैम के मुताबिक 2017 में कुल 37 फीसदी सड़क दुर्घटनाएं सड़क जंक्शन पर हुईं। जिसमें 15 से 35 वर्ष तक की आयु वर्ग की बहुतायत है। यह अध्ययन एसोचैम द्वारा जेपी रिसर्च इंडिया के सहयोग से किया है। जिसे ली मिरीडियन होटल एसोचैम द्वारा रोड सेफ्टी पर आयोजित सेफ रोड सेफ लाइफ कॉन्फ्रेंस में

जारी किया गया। कॉन्फ्रेंस में रिपोर्ट पर भारत सरकार के सड़क परिवहन राजमार्ग मंत्रालय में संयुक्त सचिव अभय दामले ने कहा कि इन मुद्दों को हल करने के लिए सरकार आई-सक्षम इंटेलीजेंस ट्रांसपोर्ट सिस्टम बनाने पर विचार कर रही है। देश में वाहनों की संख्या वर्ष दर वर्ष बढ़ रही है हम एक गति नियंत्रक को शुरूआत करने जा रहे हैं जोकि कारों में जून 2019 तक लागू करने की कंपनियों को चेतावनी दी गई है। यह गति नियंत्रक कार के ओवर स्पीड होने पर सचेत करेगी। अभी तक यह सुविधा हाई क्लास कारों में उपलब्ध ही जिसे सभी तरह की कारों के लिए अनिवार्य किया जाएगा।

एसोचैम ने रोड सेफ्टी कॉन्फ्रेंस में सड़क सुरक्षा पर जारी की रिपोर्ट