

FINER suggests budgetary measures



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FINER has recommended a slew of budgetary measures before the Assam Government aiming at restoring a sustainable growth in the [state](#)'s economic front.

In its memorandum before finance minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday, the apex regional body of industry and commerce said that it looked forward to a positive and growth oriented budget.

FINER maintained that the budget should contain big ideas to pave the way for a big leap forward and change the course of economy for a faster and sustainable development of the [state](#).

"The Assam Ease of Doing Business Bill, [2016](#)" in its very first Cabinet meeting, we are confident that the implementation of the [Act](#), would be the top priority of the government," said the FINER memorandum.

FINER further welcomed the [GST](#) with Adequate provision/mechanism for continuing of existing remission scheme. The memorandum reads: we would also welcome a Single [GST](#) rate (Preferably rate not exceeding 16%), exemption of [GST](#) to essential items/ items of Local significance and with administration with single return and Challan and single audit concept. State Taxation Department must initiate interactions with all Stakeholders.

On the industrial front, it observed that with the suspension of [NEIIPP](#) 2007, Assam is virtually excluded from the Make in [India](#) initiative. This unilateral suspension is a big setback to the cause of Industrialization. New investment in the [state](#) is put on hold by the investors, projects under implementation are facing severe hardships.

The BJP-led Government's maiden budget [2016-17](#) can be a milestone and show the Roadmap for inclusive, balanced and sustainable growth

paving the way for implementing the Vision document [2016](#)-2025, said the FINER.

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