



UNION BUDGET 2025-2026

Our Pre-Budget Asks

Perspectives for driving inclusive growth and building a resilient, future-ready economy...

THE ROAD AHEAD

Accelerating Next-Generation Reforms for Vision 2030

Over the past few years Indian economy has grown despite a global slowdown majorly due to prudent fiscal management. However, GDP growth in Q2 FY25 fell to 5.2% – slowest in seven quarters. Optimistically, economists are terming this as “cyclical growth slowdown”: essentially temporary that also happened while India was emerging from the [COVID pandemic](#). With eyes on becoming USD 7 trillion by 2030, Budget 2025 offers an opportunity for the government to re-commit towards its accelerated push for **“Next Generation Reforms”**.

Expected to once again centre around the themes of ‘Amrit Kaal’ and ‘Viksit Bharat,’ Budget 2025 will focus on investments in human capital, infrastructure, climate action, sustainable employment generation, education, and increasing the participation of the women workforce to drive sustainable economic growth. Once again, continuing with its narrative on development of underprivileged, youth, farmers, and women, popularly – it **‘GYAN’ (gareeb, yuva, annadata, naari)**.

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Top Asks from Our Experts

“India’s economic trajectory is set for a transformative shift, with a strong emphasis on inclusive growth, sustainability, and innovation. With eyes on becoming a \$7 trillion economy by 2030, Budget 2025 offers an opportunity to prioritise investments in technology especially green technologies, encourage innovative financing mechanism through blended finance; focus on skilling & employment, and ease regulatory frameworks to drive inclusive growth and global competitiveness.”

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Ashwajit Singh

Founder and Managing Director
IPE Global

“For Budget 2025 to be truly transformational, it must balance fiscal prudence with ambitious climate goals. This should involve incentivising renewable energy adoption—particularly solar—through benefits-in-kind and fixing foundational gaps by climate-proofing critical livelihood programs like MNREGA and PMAY.”

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Abinash Mohanty

Head of Climate Change and Sustainability,
IPE Global

“Apart from investing in infrastructure creation, the Government should provide fiscal support to the states and catalyze structural reforms aiming to promote an investment-friendly climate, create local-level governance frameworks, capacitate public sector bodies as well as local communities/beneficiaries, and promote responsible and climate-resilient tourism industry.”



Komal Agarwal

Associate Director, Tourism
IPE Global

“India is projected to play a significant role in global workforce expansion, contributing about 20% of worldwide workforce growth from 2023 to 2050. STEM education is at the core of this transition, and the Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan (RAA) can serve as a foundational platform for preparing students for this emerging landscape and must prioritize reforms under the RAA to align with the demands of Industry 4.0.”



Dr. Shashiranjan Jha

Associate Vice President, Education and Skill
Development, IPE Global

“A vital opportunity to create a roadmap addressing talent supply, enhancing employability, and fostering inclusive growth. Invest in reskilling and upskilling talent for sectors like green energy, AI, and digital transformation, Upgrade Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) to meet Industry 4.0 needs with advanced infrastructure and curriculum, foster public-private collaborations for outcome-based skilling and co-designed certification programs and Increase funding for state and rural-level skilling initiatives.”



Gaurav Verma

Associate Director, Education and Skills
Development, IPE Global

IN THE MEDIA

Prioritise Job Creation and Push Skill Development

Ashwajit Singh,

Managing Director and
Founder of IPE Global
shares his views ahead of
Union Budget 2024-25.



Infrastructure Sector Set to play Vital Role in Viksit Bharat

Anil Bansal,

Senior Director, Urban Reforms
& Infrastructure, highlights how in
2025, the infrastructure sector is
set to play a vital role in India's goal
of becoming a \$5 trillion economy.



Budget Must Balance Fiscal Prudence with Ambitious Climate Goals

Abinash Mohanty,

Head of Climate Change and Sustainability
at IPE Global, hopes that the budget
will incentivise solar energy adoption
and address gaps by climate-proofing
programs like MNREGA and PMAY.

