



Budget 2026 Expectations

Highlights: All-party meet set for January 27 before Parliament session

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Budget 2026 Expectations Live Updates: Infra and real estate sector seeks capex push and policy clarity

Industry leaders say continued investment in infrastructure, affordable housing, and MSME support is critical for balanced growth.

“As Budget 2026 approaches, the industry is looking for a sustained capex push on infrastructure and urban development, with sharper focus on Tier-II and Tier-III cities. Continued investments in connectivity, industrial corridors, and regional infrastructure are key to driving balanced growth and easing urban migration pressures.

In real estate, the government is expected to expand the affordable housing framework, including an upward revision of price caps, rationalisation of development charges, and digitisation of property registration with clear title mechanisms. SM REITs could emerge as a key growth lever, with regulatory clarity and tax incentives needed to broaden investor participation. Amid global trade and geopolitical uncertainties, measures to strengthen MSMEs through improved credit access, targeted incentives, and technology upgrades will be crucial,” according to Pradeep Misra, Chairman and Managing Director, Rudrabhishek Enterprises Limited (REPL).