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THE DAWN OF VIKSIT BENGAL

SILIGURI EDITION

28th July, 2026 | Courtyard by Marriott | Siliguri | 10:00 AM Onwards

The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCC&I) is organising a signature Business Conclave - "Viksit Bengal", Siliguri Edition, on 28th July 2026 at Courtyard by Marriot, Siliguri.

It is presented by The Delhi Council and the North Bengal Committee of BCC&I, under the guidance and leadership of Dr. Swapan Dasgupta, Hon'ble Finance Minister of West Bengal, as the Patron.

The "Viksit Bengal" initiative of BCC&I started with the first ever mega Business Conclave, on 26th June 2026, after the formation of the new Government in Bengal, at Taj Bengal, Kolkata, bringing the Government and the Industry together.

An investment of **Rs. 12,000+ crore** has been announced at Viksit Bengal in Kolkata. The Conclave was attended by over 500 Delegates including Policymakers, Industry Leaders, Entrepreneurs and senior Professionals from across West Bengal and other parts of the Country, including the NCR, Mumbai and Guwahati. The Conclave received extensive media coverage, reinforcing a compelling narrative of Bengal's growth, opportunities and aspirations.

Encouraged by the enthusiastic response to the Kolkata edition, the Siliguri Edition of Viksit Bengal, is being presented.

Our focus for North Bengal will be in the areas of **EDUCATION & SKILL DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, EXPORTS AND SERVICE INDUSTRY.**

ABOUT THE KOLKATA EDITION

Dr. Swapan Dasgupta, Shri Sanjeev Sanyal, Member, Economic Advisory Council of the Hon'ble Prime Minister and **Shri Tapas Roy**, Hon'ble Minister, Department of Industry, Commerce and Enterprises, Department of Public Enterprises and Industrial Reconstruction and Department of Non Conventional and Renewable Energy Sources, Government of West Bengal graced the occasion and shared their visions for "Viksit Bengal". Sports Icon **Shri Leander Paes** and **Smt. Moumita Biswas Misra**, Hon'ble Minister of State, Industry Commerce and Enterprises, Government of West Bengal were also present.

The Inaugural Session was followed by "Policy and Business Blueprint for the State" and "Moderated Session on Industry Perspectives"

INVESTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Mr. Abhijit Roy, President, BCC&I and MD & CEO, Berger Paints India., announced an investment of Rs. 700 crores in the State. **Mr. Navanit Narayan**, Senior Vice President, BCC&I and Whole Time Director and CEO of Haldia Petrochemicals Ltd., announced a Rs. 6000+ crores of investment in a new phenol plant. **Mr. Jayanta Roy**, MD of The Peerless General Finance & Investment Company Limited, has announced Rs. 1000 crores of investment in specialty healthcare and skill development. **Mr. Dip Kishore Sen**, Advisor to CMD Larsen & Toubro & Head – Development Projects of L&T, announced that their IT Park in Kolkata will start functioning within two months. **Mr. Somick Goswami**, Partner & Regional Market Leader (East), PwC India, said that PwC is ready to collaborate and work, ideate with the Government of West Bengal in shaping some of the key policies around GCC, Semiconductor Industry, to make Bengal a preferred destination in these evolving areas. Shri Leander Paes has also announced that he would be happy to work towards the development of sports infrastructure in the State.

BCC&I RECOMMENDATIONS ON "REJUVENATING WEST BENGAL - TOWARDS REDUCING GROWTH GAP BETWEEN PURBA & PASCHIM BHARAT"

A 11-volume set of recommendations have been prepared after meeting many members and stakeholders and compiling diverse suggestions from sectoral experts. The Report includes strategic recommendations under 5 major pillars, each of which has sub-focus areas (totalling 10). Not all of these are in the area of industries per se, but have a great role in development and exports. The focus areas include- **Industrial Resurgence** (Industrial Resurgence in Bengal, Turning Haldia into Chemical Hub of the East & Kolkata's Twin City); **Urban Development** (Rejuvenating Kolkata: Key to Eastern India's Growth); **Infrastructure for New Age Industry** (Reimagining West Bengal as Eastern India's Premier Digital Economy, Innovation and Technology Powerhouse, Integrating MSME in Defence Manufacturing, Enhancing Inland Waterways Transport, Clean Energy Untapped Potential); **Rural Economy** (Rejuvenating Bengal Fisheries, Agri-Horti Export Facilitation & Strengthening Market Linkage of FPOs & SHGs); **Central Government Schemes** (Leveraging Central Government Export Promotion Schemes for Export-Led Growth, Central Government Schemes which Other States have already Leveraged which may be considered in West Bengal)