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**PRE-BUDGET SPECIAL**

**AGENDA FOR  
BUDGET  
2025-26**

**FM NIRMALA SITHARAMAN WILL LOOK TO  
BOOST CONSUMPTION AND SPUR GROWTH IN THE  
FIRST FULL-YEAR BUDGET OF NDA 3.0**



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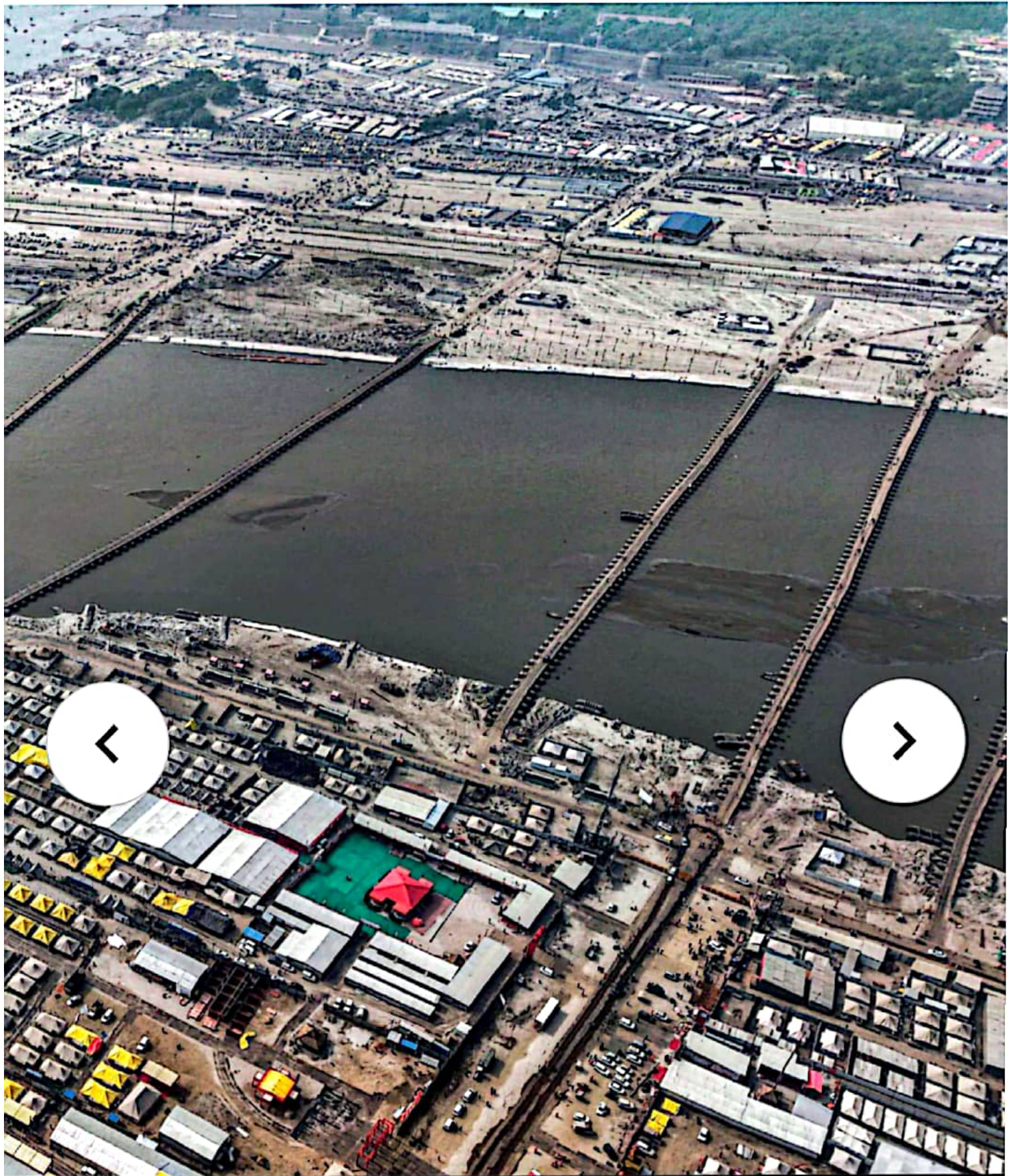
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**MAHA KUMBH TENT CITY SPREAD OVER 4,000 HECTARES ON THE BANKS OF THE GANGA**

**SOURCE** PIB, INVEST.UP.GOV.IN, CII, CAIT, MEDIA REPORTS

## **PILGRIMS' PROGRESS**

**MAHA KUMBH MELA 2025, BEING HELD IN PRAYAGRAJ, UTTAR PRADESH (UP), FROM JANUARY 13 TO FEBRUARY 26, IS EXPECTED TO ATTRACT OVER 400 MILLION PILGRIMS. HERE'S HOW THE 45-DAY EVENT CAN BOOST THE STATE'S ECONOMY:**



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**LAKH CRORE**

Expected income from economic activities, per CAIT. Kumbh Mela 2019 generated ₹1.2 lakh crore, per CII

**78**

**PER CENT**

Increase in the budget—from ₹4,200 crore in 2019 to ₹7,500 crore in 2025

**₹5,500**

**CRORE**

Worth of development projects launched by PM Narendra Modi to boost the infrastructure of the city

**₹25.48**

**LAKH CRORE**

Gross State Domestic Product of UP at current prices in FY24, up from ₹22.58 lakh crore in FY23