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Title: Regarding Union Budget 2021-22-laid.

SHRI LALUBHAI B. PATEL (DAMAN AND DIU): Thanks for allowing me to put my views on the Budget 2021-2022 presented by the Hon'ble Finance, Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman on 1st of February, 2021.

While welcoming the Budget, I congratulate the Hon'ble Finance Minister for the Budget in all probability be beneficial to all at all levels.

The vaccine manufactured in India has a global presence in over 100 countries and found to be very effective. An amount of Rs. 35000 Crore has been provided for production of this vaccine and it is very welcome.

Budget proposals for Railways and Roads towards Capital Expenditure will certainly benefit transportation and further connectivity.

Proposal to provide Rs. 20000 Crores to PSUs is also a welcome step but I feel that it could have been more.

The figures provided by the FM doled out to farmers during 2013-14, 2019 and 2021-2021 and the number of beneficiaries for Wheat, Paddy and Cotton are very encouraging. I fail to understand the current unrest.

As far as Fisheries are concerned, the Hon'ble FM has proposed 5 major ports and fish landing centres all on the east coast. Such a proposal could have been welcome for the west coast also running through Kerala, south Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, Daman and Diu up to Gujarat in the north west as here fishing is a major industry.

Goa was liberated in 1961 along with Daman and Diu from the Portuguese. An amount of 300 Crores has been provided for the Diamond Jubilee year. Proposal to provide for Daman and Diu could also have been covered as they are also celebrating their Diamond Jubilee.

I take this opportunity to thank our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendrabhai Modiji and Hon'ble Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharamanji for presenting a very proactive Budget. I support the Budget.