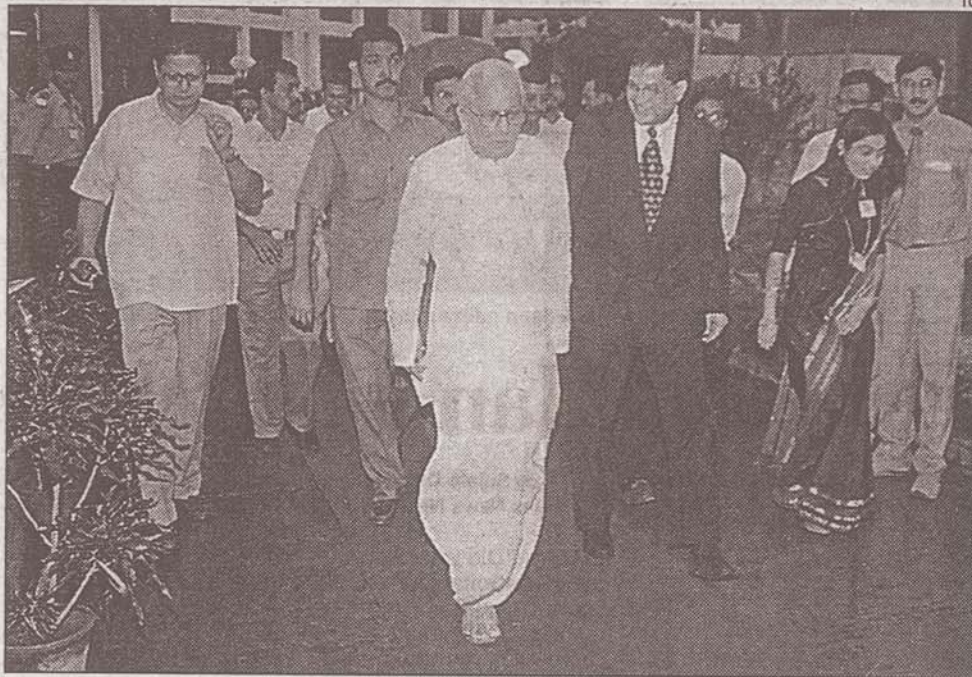


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CM Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee on his way to inaugurate the Globsyn Business School at Salt Lake on Wednesday. He also laid the foundation stone of Techno India's IT centre.

Project push for city's IT sector

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Kolkata: The government's attempt at reviving the entrepreneurship spirit in West Bengal received a shot in the arm on Wednesday as two private firms — Globsyn Technologies and Techno India — unveiled ambitious plans on entrepreneurship development.

Chief minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee, who was present at both functions, emphasised the need to churn out more professionals to meet the projected demand in IT and IT-enabled services. "These are growth engines to progress. We need 30,000 engineers each year to meet the needs," he said.

In the evening's first function at Techno India, Bhattacharjee laid the foundation stone for an eight storey, two lakh sq ft building to house centres in IT, software, communication, instrumenta-

tion, bio-technology and biomedical engineering. Techno India runs six engineering colleges in the state.

A few blocks away, the chief minister inaugurated the country's first business school by a software education and development company Globsyn Technologies. The Globsyn Business School is part of the finishing school concept aimed at developing a new breed of entrepreneurial managers.

"It is more important to absorb technology than innovate. Today's managers need to be technology proficient and we will do just that," Globsyn Technologies CEO Bikram Dasgupta said.

Welcoming the developments, Bhattacharjee said the government would soon announce an ITES policy where it would be categorised as an essential service industry and women would be allowed to work at night.