

Land Bill GST crucial for development Jaitley

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on Thursday brushed aside concerns of Parliament's coming monsoon session being disrupted over the Lalit Modi controversy, saying some people might be relevant to TV channels but not to governance.

Jaitley said the bills to amend the Land Acquisition Act and bring in a uniform panIndia Goods and Services Tax are very crucial for development and hoped no political party takes anti-growth and anti- development position.

“Some people might be of relevance to television channels (but) they have no relevance to governance as far as the Government of India is concerned,” he told reporters here.

He was replying to a question on the possibility of the monsoon session of Parliament getting washed out over the Congress' demand for resignation of External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj and Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje over alleged links with exIPL commissioner Lalit Modi.

Jaitley, however, evaded a direct response to the controversy in which Lalit Modi has been dragging various politicians, including him.

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