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■ Chief minister Mamata Banerjee at the inauguration of an IT hub in Bankura on Friday.

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## Mamata unveils urban haat

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**DURGAPUR:** Chief minister Mamata Banerjee on Friday inaugurated an urban haat at Durgapur apart from laying the foundation stone for a private health city in the township. The health city would have a medical college, nursing college and technological colleges other than a speciality hospital.

Banerjee was present at the occasion along with railway minister Mukul Roy, state industries minister Partha Chatterjee, and Congress leader Manas Bhuniya.

The chief minister said the government planned to open such haats in all districts, adding that in the era of scientific advancements, people still preferred traditional and ethnic goods to decorate their houses. She also said that self help groups would be encouraged to create more such markets where handicraft artisans would be able to sell their goods and they would also get time a months time to

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prepare their items.

She said her government would look into the marketing and set up similar units in all the districts. The Centre provided around ₹2.10 crore at the initial level for the haat while the rest ₹2.14 crore was contributed by the state. The state also provided five acres for the project through Assansol Durgapur Development Authority (ADDA).

She also laid emphasis on industrialisation in the area, saying, "Business would give you money and you won't have to worry about jobs. Come forward with your skills and start your own business."

### IT HUB IN BANKURA

Chief minister Mamata Banerjee presided over the inauguration of an IT hub at Barjora in Bankura district, claiming that her government would take information technology to the grassroots. The chief minister also inaugurated the Trans Damodar Coal project at Barjora. "Asansol and Durgapur are not too far from the area where the IT hub is set to come up. We hope the project would help generate employment opportunities for the locals here.