

Tech solutions against terror are needed today

THE current expected economic growth is around 6-7% and the economy will keep growing at a healthy rate in year 2009 particularly in comparison with other global economies. As a country we are in a growth phase with India leveraging its advantage of being a major emerging market of the world. We see more IT penetration and increased use of ICT in all aspects that touch our lives everyday.

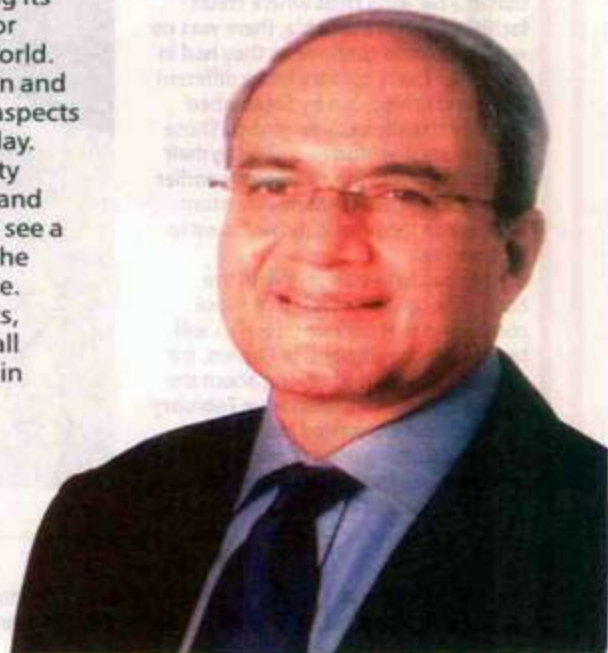
Today, safety and security require both government and industry participation. We see a larger participation from the private players in this space. Specialised security experts, organisations and NGOs, all have to play an active role in safeguarding life and infrastructure.

Technology can play a larger role in ensuring a conducive environment for greater development of trade and commerce in the country.

Technologically advanced, integrated solutions which can detect, protect, respond and prevent terror to safeguard lives and infrastructure are the need of the hour today.

But there is a need for the government to do more in rejuvenating the economy and spread a positive message. India is investing hugely in infrastructure, agriculture, capacity building etc, all of which will both stimulate the

economy and set the momentum for future growth and sustainability. The government should bring forward timelines for various infrastructure projects and bring about availability of consumer



finance among other steps. Also there is a need for all e-gov projects to be put on fast track at the earliest.

Despite all the gloom across the world, the Indian economy is much better placed today to capitalise on the opportunities arising out of this global turmoil. The Indian financial sector has come out literally unscathed, despite major economies of the world tumbling.