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Parliament's winter session will be held from November 16 to December 16, the government announced today. The early start of the month-long session has been done to facilitate the rollout of the landmark Goods and Services Tax (GST) by April 1 next year.

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**GOVT MAY ISSUE CIRCULAR ON ADVANCING BUDGET SESSION**

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The government is also likely to issue a circular on advancing the Budget session. The dates would be finalised after the poll dates for Assembly elections in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Manipur, Punjab and Goa are announced.

There are indications that the Budget session, which normally starts in February, may now be held towards the end of January. The merger of the Railway Budget with the General Budget from next year has already been announced.

According to the new proposals, the integrated Budget may now be presented to both houses of Parliament on January 31 next year.

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