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India Investment Platform for Global Investors



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The India Opportunity



Maximising the India Opportunity

Fastest Growing Large Economy & Stable Democracy

Key Achievements

- GDP currently at USD 4.11 Tn
- Exports of USD 779 Bn in FY23-24



High Real GDP Growth Rate of
8.2% FY 23-24



5th largest economy;
To be 3rd largest by FY28



Gross FDI inflows reached
USD 70.09 Bn in FY 23

Key Achievements

- 77 years of Democracy
- Strong Institutions – Parliament, Media, Judiciary



Youngest population : 65% of
population under **35 years of age**



Average real income of citizens has
increased by 50% in the last decade



Manufacturing sector contributed
15% to Nominal GVA in Q4, FY 24

Viksit Bharat@2047 – Developed India@2047

Inclusive Sustainable Growth for the World's Largest Democracy



**USD 35
Trillion**

Projected Economy



Growth of 7.6% over the next 25 years



Per Capita Income to grow 9x to ~USD 22,000



Industrial Sector contribution to rise from 17% to 25% of the GDP



Exports to grow x5 to USD 8 Tn. by 2047



Capital Requirement for Net Zero Transition by 2070: USD 10 Tn

Union Budget 2024-25

Big Ticket Reform Announcements

Tax Reforms

- Comprehensive review of Income Tax Act, GST tax structure & Custom Duty Rates.
- Angel Tax abolished to boost Start-ups and Investments.
- Corporate Tax on foreign companies reduced from 40% to 35 %

Policy Reforms

- FDI and Overseas Investment Regulations to be further simplified
- 3.4% of GDP allocated for capital expenditure in FY 2024-25 (US\$ 130 bn)
- Taxonomy for climate finance

Net-zero by 2070

Commitment Meets Action - Towards Net-Zero by 2070



India's Achievements till 2024 June

Ranked 4th globally in Re Energy Capacity,
4th in Wind; 5th in Solar Power capacity

#7 Climate Change Performance Index (2023) -
India is best among G-20 countries

190 GW Green Power Capacity Commissioned

National Program on High Efficiency
Solar PV Modules - 64 GW installed

India's Energy commitments

Raise non-fossil fuels-based energy capacity
to 500 GW by 2030

Reduce carbon emission by 1 Bn tonnes &
Raise Hydrogen Capacity to 5 MTPA by 2030

50% country's energy requirements using
renewable energy sources by 2030

Net-zero by 2070

Infrastructure : National Monetization Pipeline

Public Assets worth USD 81 Billion being monetized between 2022 and 2025



OWNERSHIP

Monetization of rights through lease for a long-term concession period

ASSETS

Brownfield operational assets with a steady revenues to attract patient long-term capital

PORTFOLIO

20+ asset classes across 12+ sectors

PROGRESS

USD 11 bn, USD 15bn, USD 18 bn
achieved in FY22, FY23, FY24

Roads
USD 21.7 B

Railways
USD 20.7 B

Power
USD 11.5 B

Gas Pipelines
USD 3.3 B

Telecom
USD 4.7 B

Warehousing
USD 3.9 B

Mining
USD 3.9 B

Aviation
USD 2.8 B

Ports
USD 1.7 B






Urban Real Estate
USD 2.0 B

Stadiums
USD 1.6 B

Other Pipeline
USD 3.06 B

India@2047: Infrastructure Plans

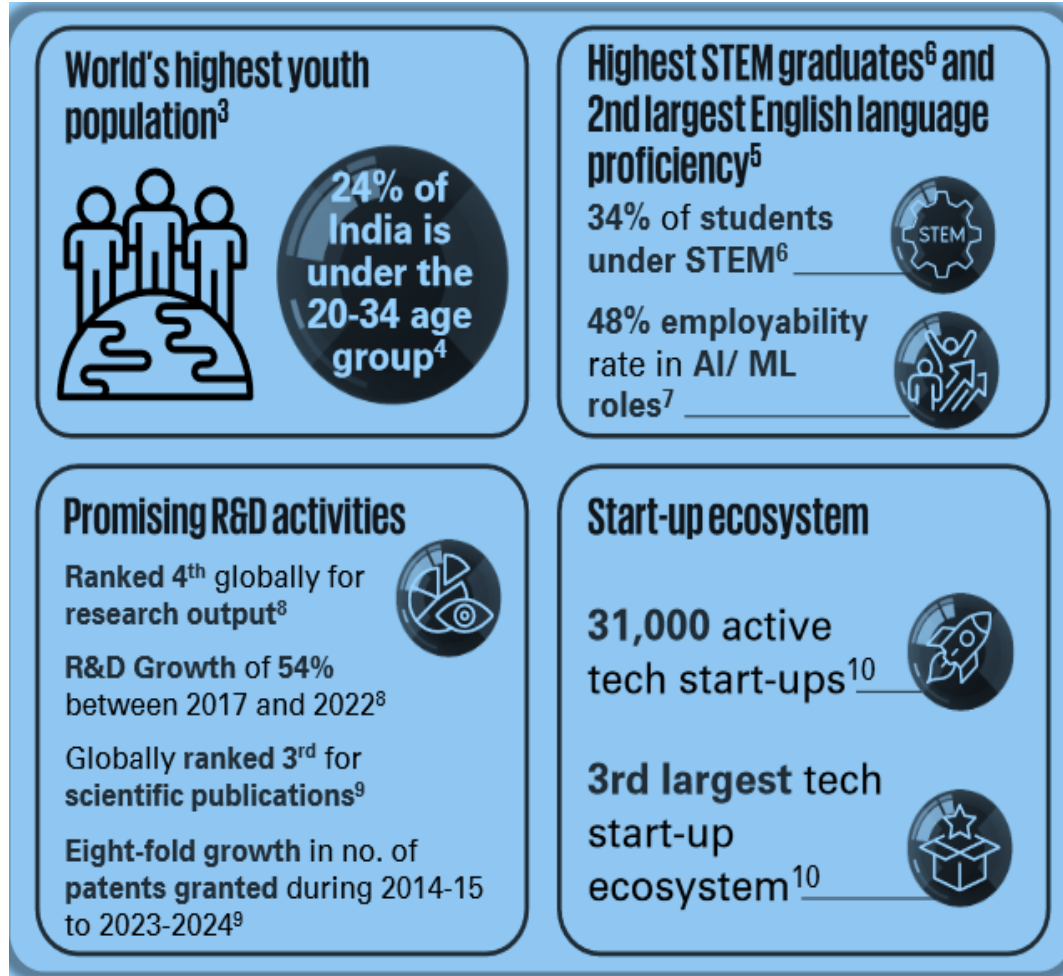


		India now	Vision 2047
 Railways	#1 Rail network in Asia (70,000 km+ railway track)	8 Bn+ passengers	20 Bn+ passengers
 Urban Railways	7X Projected growth by 2047	700 km	4900 km
 Highways	#2 Road network globally 40-50 km constructed daily	145,000 km	290,000 km
 Ports	4X Port handling capacity by 2047	2,500 MMTPA+ handling capacity	15,000 MMTPA+ handling capacity
 Aviation	7X Increase in trips by 2047	200 Mn+ trips	1.5 Bn+ trips

India is the Talent Capital of the World



Young talented workforce – Demographic dividend till 2070



Snapshot of Global Capability Centres in India



Source: NASSCOM-Zinnov 2024 - https://media.zinnov.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/zinnov_gcc_4.0_report.pdf

KPMG: <https://assets.kpmg.com/content/dam/kpmg/in/pdf/2024/05/gccs-in-india-building-resilience-for-sustainable-growth.pdf>

Technology Hub for the World

- **Strong Technology focus** in Space, Nuclear, Defence, Electronics
- India is home to over **1580 Tech GCCs** – Semiconductor Fabless Design, Auto R&D, Process R&D, Pharma Molecule design etc.
- Anusandhan **National Research Foundation** with annual outlay of USD 1.3 billion every year
- launched in several sectors **Design Linked Production Incentive Schemes** – Pharma, Telecom, Defence, Electronics, etc
- **Indigenous Technology** in all critical sectors: Telecom, Electronics, Semiconductors, Defence, etc.
- Hon Prime Minister announces **Design From India** on 15th August 2024

Sample India Technology Stacks



INDIA 4G STACK



GIFT City and IFSC Opportunity

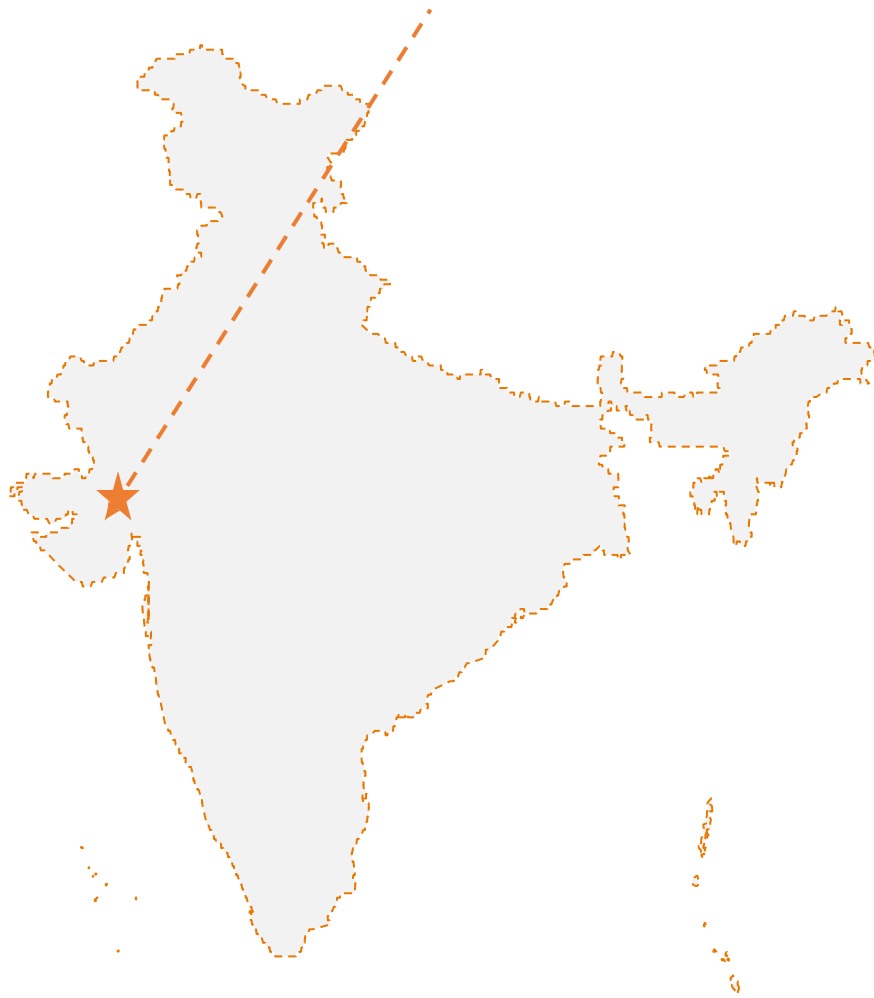
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GIFT City and IFSC



India's 1st Operational Smart City & IFSC



26.63 Mn Sq ft

Total development
rights allotted

11.89 Mn Sq ft

Area under
development

200 (planned)

Green City : Tree
Density per Hectare

GIFT City is divided into two zones:

- a. Special Economic Zone (IFSC Zone)
- b. Domestic Tariff Area (Domestic area)

Greenfield smart city

Land parcel size: 886 acres

Social Infra – Hotels, Hospitals, Schools, etc

‘Walk to work concept’ – Residential & Riverside

Confluence of tri-cities

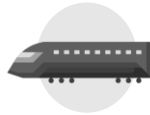
Metro connectivity

between Ahmedabad,
GIFT City & Gandhinagar



15 mins

away from the bullet
train terminal



20 mins

away from Ahmedabad's
international and
domestic airport



National highway

along national highway
48 (Delhi- Mumbai
Industrial Corridor)



12 EV

buses covering Ahmedabad,
Gandhinagar & GIFT City



15 Mins

from nearest Railway
Station



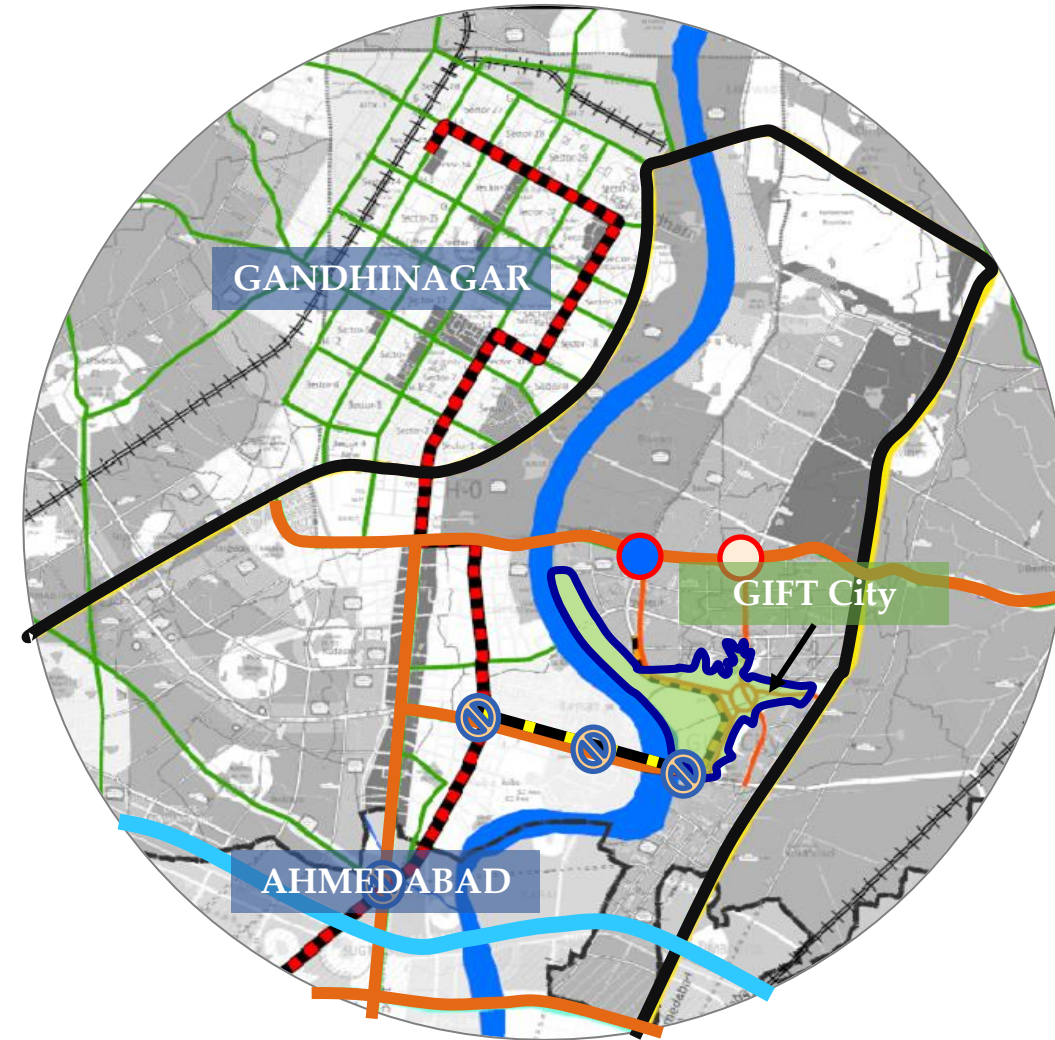
1.5 hr by flight

to major domestic
destinations



First

Operational Smart City
Green Infrastructure



Vision for GIFT IFSC



Hon'ble Prime Minister of India
Sh. Narendra Modi

“We want to make GIFT City the Global Nerve Center of **New Age Global Financial and Technology Services**”

“GIFT IFSC's **cutting-edge digital infrastructure** provides a platform that enables businesses to increase efficiency”

“GIFT City is an important gateway to **connect India with global opportunities...**”

Jurisdictional Comparison



Jurisdiction	Foreign jurisdiction (rest of the world)	IFSC SEZ (India)	India DTA (India)
FEMA	Offshore Non-Resident	Offshore Non-Resident	Onshore Resident
Currency	Respective Int'l Currency	15 Currencies (INR Not Permitted)	INR denominated
Tax	Offshore	Tax Holiday (Tax Resident)	Taxes as applicable
Law	Resident's Jurisdiction	Indian Jurisdiction	Indian Jurisdiction

GIFT IFSC: Unique and Distinct Features



Dedicated & Unified
Financial Regulator

No capital controls

Full Convertibility with
15 foreign currencies

Globally benchmarked
regulations

Attractive Tax Regime

Sovereign support,
including carve outs



Competitive Advantage

- Access to large hinterland Indian economy (**Hinterland advantage**)
- Beneficial cost of operations (**Cost advantage**)
- Availability of skilled talent pool (**Talent advantage**)

IFSC: Business activities

Banking

- Indian Banks (16)
- Foreign Banks (12)
- Global Administrative Office (1)
- Rep. Offices

Capital Market

- Stock Exchanges (2)
- Clearing Corporation (2)
- International Depository (1)
- Broker Dealers (80)
- Investment Bankers (4)
- Custodians (5)
- Depository Participants (10)
- Clearing members (22)

Asset management

- Fund Management Entities (140)
- Alternate Investment Funds (157)
- Investment Advisers (4)
- Portfolio Managers (17)
- Distributors (9)

Insurance

- Indian & Foreign Insurer (9)
- Indian & Foreign Reinsurer (3)
- Insurance Intermediaries (23)
- Insurance Web-Aggregators

Niche Institutions

- International Bullion Exchange
- Finance Companies (6)
- Global Treasury Centre (3)
- ITFS Platform (4)
- Aircraft Leasing & Financing (30)
- Ship Leasing & Financing (15)

Emerging businesses

- Foreign Universities (2)
- Global Fintech Hub (55)
- Global in-House Centres (3)
- Professional Service Providers (75)
- Payment Service Providers (2)
- BATF Service Provider

Figures in brackets are the number of entities authorized by IFSCA

Regulatory architecture

Regulations Benchmarked with Global Best Practices



**Banking
Regulations 2020**

**Bullion Exchange
Regulations 2020**

**Global In-House
Regulations 2020**

**FinTech Entity
Framework 2022**

**Issuance and
Listing of
Securities
Regulations, 2021**

**Finance Company
Regulations, 2021**

**Market
Infrastructure
Institutions
Regulations 2021**

**Framework for
Aircraft Lease
2022**

**Framework for
Ancillary Services
2021**

**Framework for
Global Corporate
Treasury Centres
2021**

**Fund
Management
(Regulations)
2022**

**Capital Market
Intermediaries
Regulations 2021**

**Registration of
Insurance
Business
Regulations 2021**

**Insurance
Intermediary
Regulations 2021**

**Framework for
setting up ITFS
2021**

**Framework for
Ship Lease 2022**

**Foreign
University
Regulations 2022**

**AML, CFT and
KYC Guidelines
2022**

**Insurance
Products and
Pricing
Regulations 2022**

**Payment &
Receipt of
Premium
Regulations 2022**

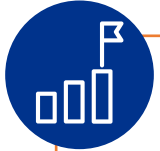
**Insurance Web
Aggregator, 2022**

**Investment by
IFSC Insurance
Office
Regulations 2022**

**Framework for
Global
Administrative
Office 2022**

**Re-Insurance
Regulations 2023**

Business Highlights: GIFT IFSC



680 +

Number of IFSCA Registered*
Entities till August 2024



USD 100 Bn

Monthly turnover on IFSC
International Stock Exchanges in
August 2024



USD 62+ Bn

Total Banking Asset Size in August
2024



140

Number of Funds Management
Entities registered till August 2024



\$ 58+ Bn

Cumulative Debt Listing on IFSC
Exchanges till June 2024



\$ 14 Bn

Cumulative GSS+ Debt Listing on
IFSC Exchanges till June 2024



160 +

Number of Aviation Leasing
Agreements signed in IFSC till
August 2024



\$ 39 Bn +

Total targeted corpus of
Alternative Investment Funds till
August 2024



\$ 18 Bn

Largest Daily Open Interest on the
NIFTY50 on NSE IX (25.06.2024)

Key Entities in GIFT IFSC and GIFT City

Banking	Funds Industry	Service Provider	Other Entities	Firms in DTA
 				
 			 	
 				
 				
 			 	
 				

Competitive tax regime

1

Tax Holiday on Business Income for 10 out of 15 years

2

Minimum Alternate Tax* @ 9%

3

No CTT**/STT**/GST**/Stamp Duty

4

Reduced Withholding Tax of 9% on interest paid on Debt Instruments

5

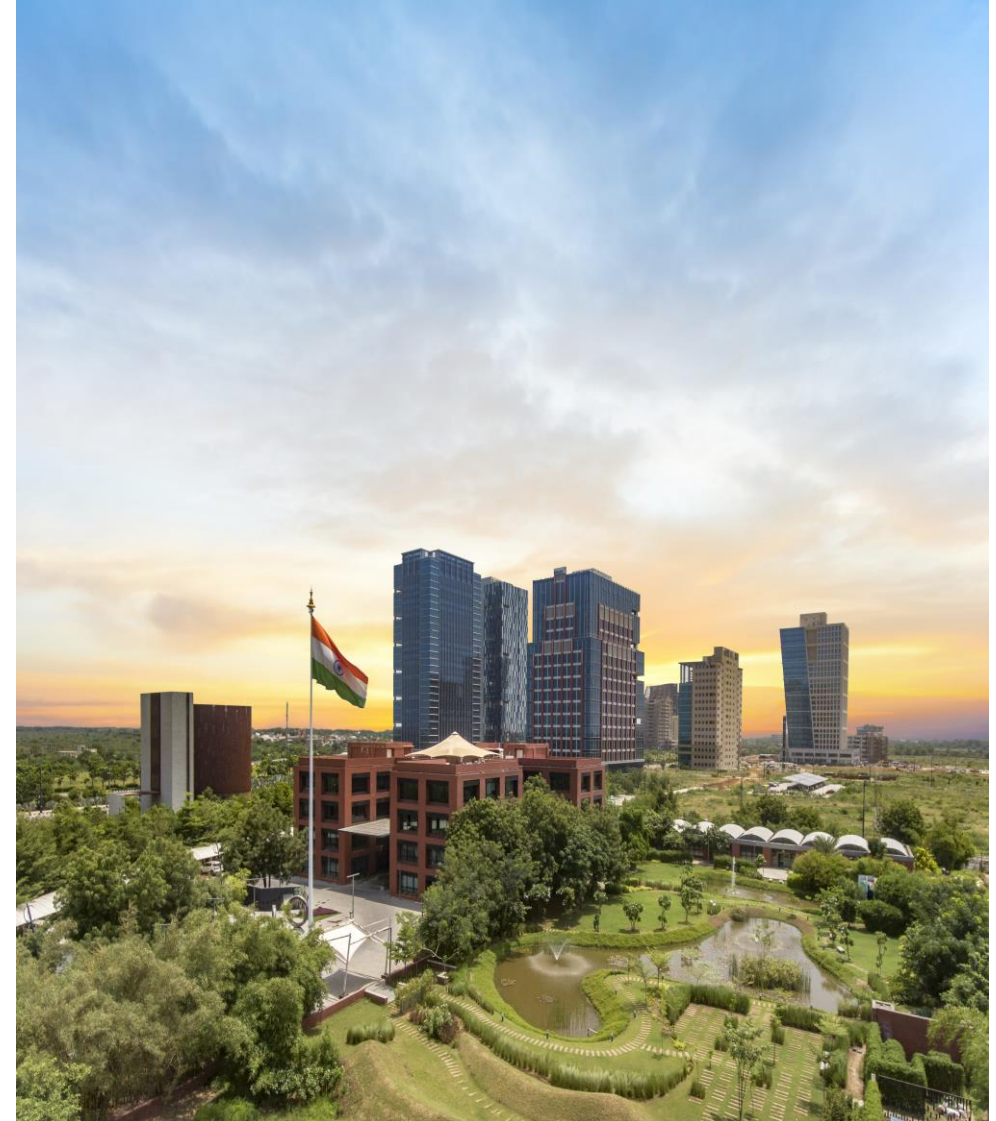
Competitive Tax Regime for Funds

6

Incentives under Gujarat IT/ITeS Policy (2022-27)

*MAT provisions not applicable for companies opting for concessional tax rate under Sec. 115 BA of Income Tax Act, 1961

**CTT- Commodity Transaction Tax, STT- Securities Transaction Tax, GST- Goods and Service Tax



IFSC Business Verticals

1. Banking sector

Banking Services in IFSC

Wholesale
Banking

Corporate
Banking

Retail
Banking

Trade
Finance

ECBs

ODI

Acquisition
Finance

Loan
Syndication

Investments

Corporate
Agent

Treasury
Centres

Merchant
Banking

12 Foreign Banks



MIZUHO

BARCLAYS



citibank

MUFG

J.P.Morgan



Deutsche Bank

SMBC

DBS



16 Indian Banks

SBI

इंडियन बैंक
Indian Bank

AXIS BANK

HDFC BANK

punjab national bank
...the name you can BANK upon!

बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
Bank of India

ICICI Bank

kotak
Kotak Mahindra Bank

बैंक ऑफ बड़ौदा
Bank of Baroda

RBL BANK

केनरा बैंक
Canara Bank

IDBI BANK

2. Capital Markets

Key Developments

1

**NSE IFSC-SGX Connect Live:
Full Liquidity Switch: 3rd July 2023**

SGX   **Gift Nifty**

- Longer Trading Hours
- No FX risk as trading in USD
- Remote Trading Participants enabled
- Record open interest of 0.38 mn contracts worth US \$18 Bn on June 25, 2024

2

Direct Listing of Indian Stocks

- Indian/Foreign Cos can list and raise foreign capital
- IFSCA (Listing) Regulations, 2024 globally benchmarked

Two Operational International Exchanges

INDIA INX
INDIA INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

NSE
International Exchange

Two Clearing Corporations

INDIA ICC
INDIA INTERNATIONAL CLEARING CORPORATION

NSE
International Clearing

One International Depository

IIDI
India International Depository IFSC Limited

India International Depository IFSC Limited

10,000 Demat Accounts opened

3. Funds Industry

VC Funds, Private Equity, Private Debt Funds, Hedge Funds, Sports Fund, Climate Funds, etc.

Three categories of FMEs

- Registered FME (Retail)
- Registered FME (Non-Retail)
- Authorized FME

Key Global Investors

- Sovereign Wealth funds/Pension funds (ADIA, GIC, Temasek, CPPIB, OTHP), Endowment Funds, IFC, Allianz, etc.

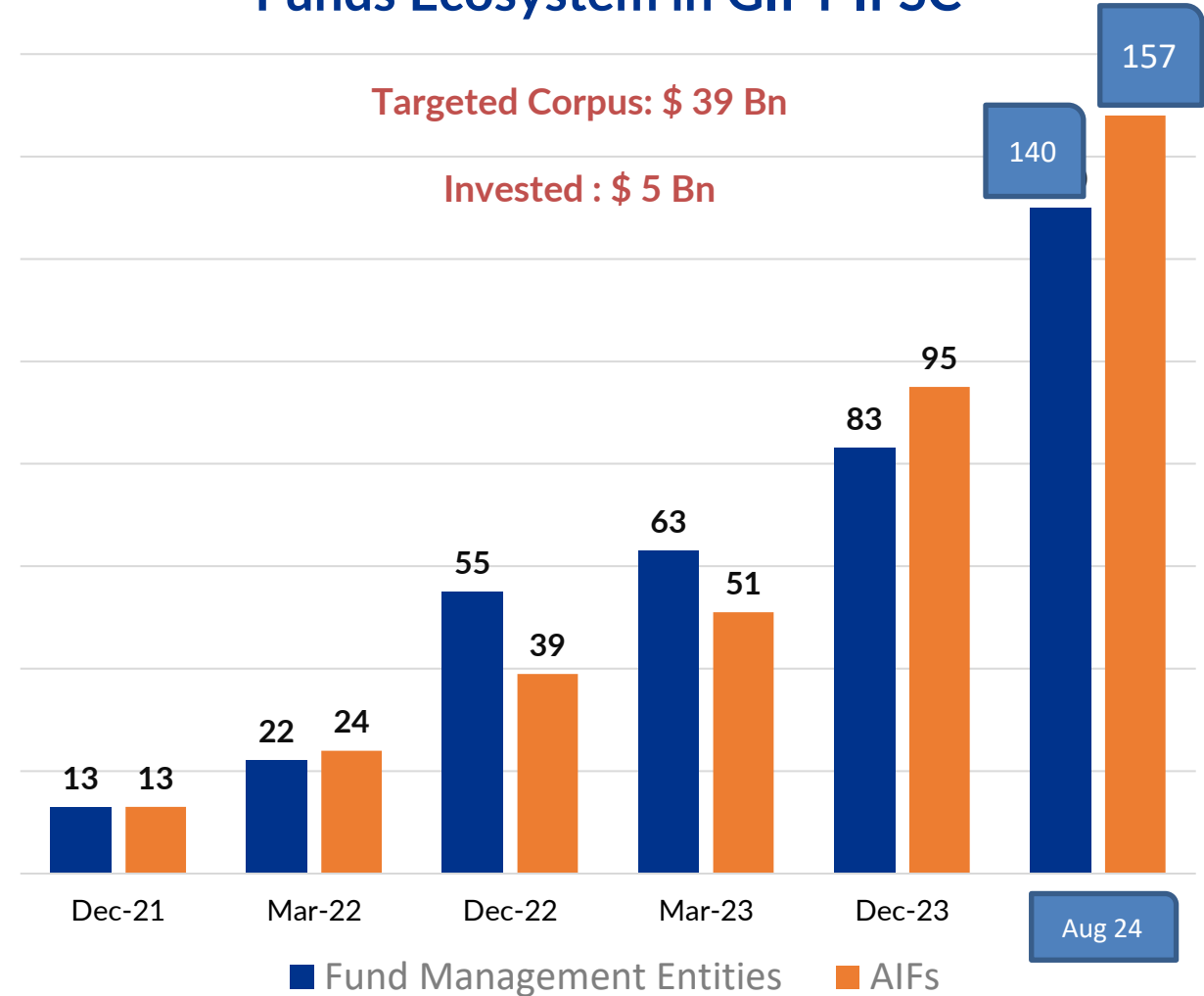
Entire ecosystem available

- Trusteeship firms, Custodians, Fund Administrators, Law firms, Auditors etc.
- VCC structure being enabled
- PMS, Family Funds, Mutual Funds & ETFs

Funds Ecosystem in GIFT IFSC

Targeted Corpus: \$ 39 Bn

Invested : \$ 5 Bn



3A. Fund Ecosystem in IFSC

AIFs (Venture Capital Funds, Private Equity Funds & Hedge Funds)



Portfolio Managers/Investment Advisors



4. Insurance and Re-insurance

IFSCA Insurance Offices (IIOs) are providing the following services:-

Direct Insurance-
Life

Direct Insurance
Non-Life

Direct
Insurance-Health

Re-Insurance

- Complete regulatory framework - Insurance Cos and Intermediaries
- Regulations aligned to global standards
- GIFT IFSC as a 'Global Re-insurance Hub'

IFSC Insurance Offices (IIOs)



A wholly owned subsidiary of
HDFC Life



IFSC Insurance Intermediaries



5. Ship Leasing

Maritime Growth & India's Trade

India's EXIM Trade*

- ❑ 2023-24 (April-March): USD 1.63 Tn.
 - ✓ **Export:** USD 776.68 Billion
 - ✓ **Import:** USD 854.80 billion
- ❑ 2030 Merchandise Export Target: USD 1 Tn



Current Progress in GIFT IFSC

- **15 Ship lessors, 1 Ship broker** registered in GIFT IFSC
- **Financing to ship lessors has begun**
- **Reliance Industries to invest \$ 1.4 Bn**

Shipping Services

- India hires **foreign shipping services worth USD75 billion currently**
- **India owns 20mn DWT (13.6 GT) or 1% global share.**



6. Aircraft leasing

Fastest Growing Market

India is 3rd largest domestic aviation market

One of Largest Orderbook

2000 aircrafts in next 10 years,
1600 + aircrafts ordered - US\$ 100 Bn +



Majority of fleet is on Lease

75% of Indian fleet (~700 Aircrafts) are on operating lease from Ireland

Forex Outflow as Lease Rentals

Airlines to pay USD 5 Bn per year for the next ten years towards lease rentals

GIFT IFSC ecosystem

Policy, regulatory and tax regime in place

30

Aircraft lessors registered

120+

Aircrafts/Helicopters/Engines leased

Tata & Indigo have leasing arms



Aircrafts leased from GIFT IFSC



7. Fin-Tech Innovation and Regulatory Sandbox

Fintechs & TechFins

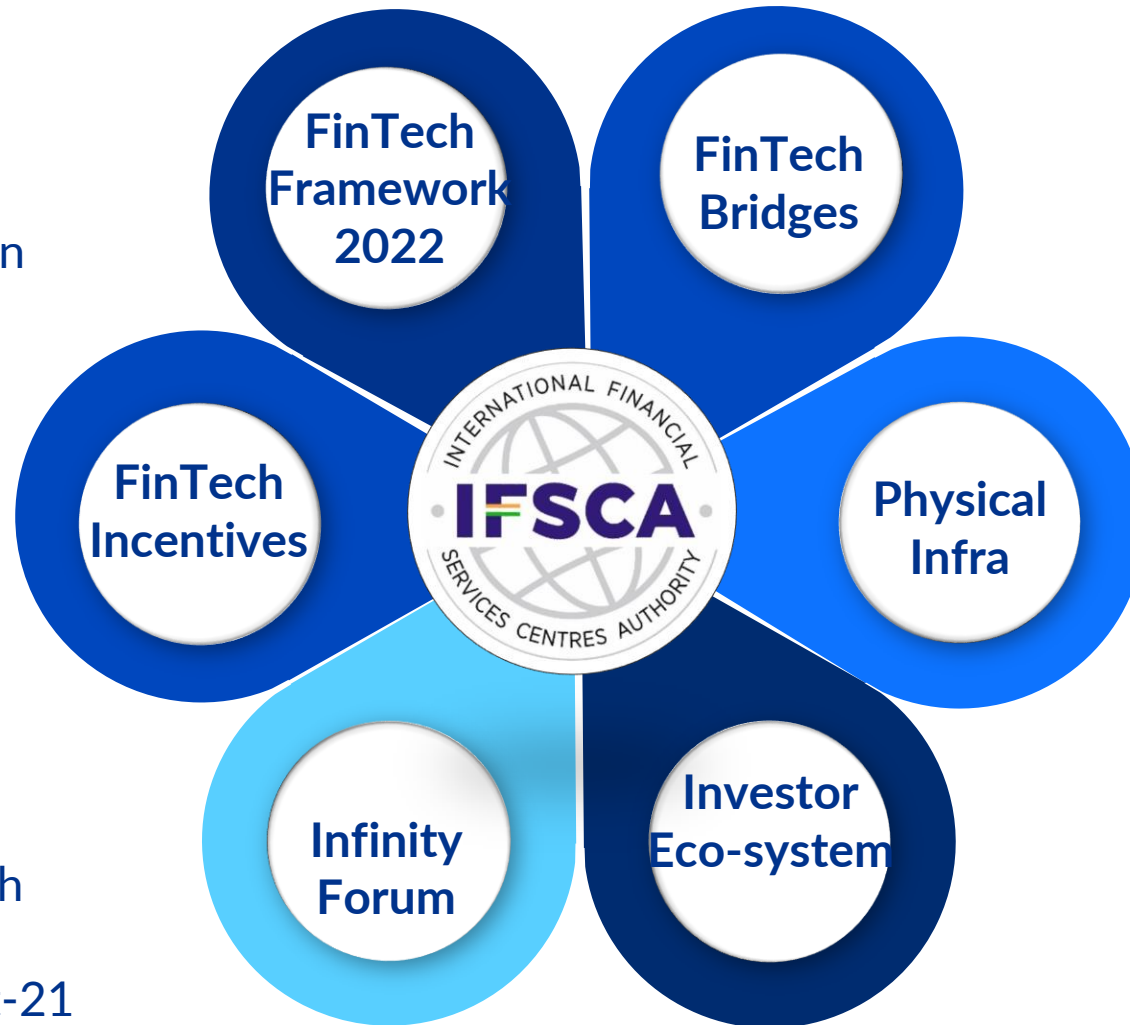
- Direct Authorization
- Limited-Use Authorization

Categories of Grants

- FinTech Startup Grant
- Proof of Concept Grant
- Green FinTech Grant
- Listing Support Grants

Regulatory Cooperation

- Flagship Event to establish 'Thought Leadership'
- Hackathon Series I-Sprint-21 and I-Sprint-22



Regulatory Cooperation

- Inter-Operable Regulatory Sandbox with Domestic India Regulators (IoRS)
- IFSCA-MAS (FinTech Bridge with Singapore)

FinTech Hub

- Co-working spaces created (FinX Labs operational with 48 seats)
- Tie-ups with Incubators

Investor Ecosystem

- Tieups with VCs
- Tieups with Angels, Private Equity players.

8. Sustainable Finance

Bond and Credit Markets

- Globally aligned Regulation for ESG Debt Securities
- Pre & Post Issuance Disclosures
- International Sustainability Platform launched by NSE-IFSC

Banking

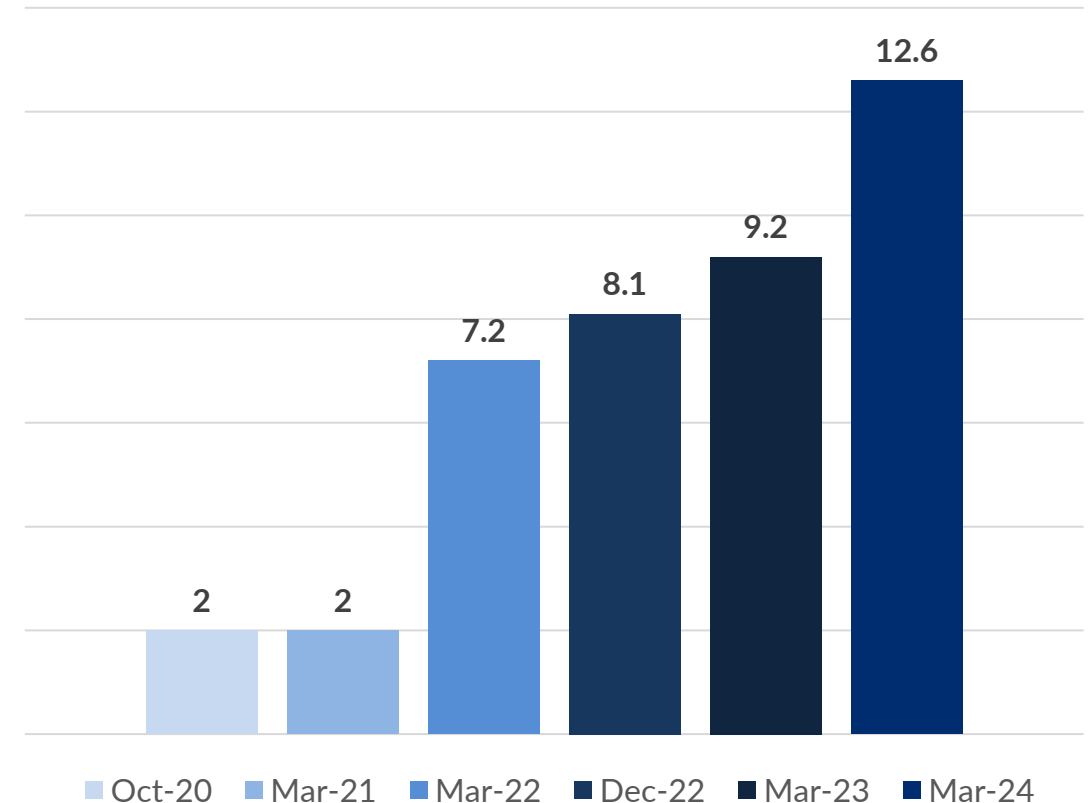
- Mandatory board approved policy for Sustainable Lending
- 5 % loans directed towards Sustainable Lending
- FY 23-24 – USD 700 million ESG Lending till date

Funds Industry

- Sustainability related disclosures for large Fund Entities (AUM >\$ 3 Bn)
- Dedicated ESG Funds/Schemes enabled - 1st ESG Fund
- IFSCA Committee on Making IFSC a Climate Finance Hub

USD 10 Tn needed to meet its Net-Zero emission commitment by 2070

ESG Debt Listing (USD Bn)



9. Indian International Bullion Exchange (IIBX)

- Transparent, user-friendly, screen-based trading platform
- Bullion is traded in the form of units of Bullion Depository Receipts (BDRs):

Promoters

NSE, INDIA INX, NSDL,
CDSL and MCX

Products

Gold (995, 999) and
Silver (Grain and Bars)
Gold Futures

Vaulting Capacity

Gold (420 Tonnes) and
Silver (2200 Tonnes)

Qualified suppliers

Twenty-eight (28)

Qualified jewellers

One thirty-three (133)

Bullion traded

- 11 tonnes Gold
- 1100 Tonnes Silver



Key Opportunities for Danish Firms

Become Bullion Suppliers on IIBX

Danish Banks can become Clearing &
Trading Members on IIBX

Vaulting Infrastructure in IFSC

Gold Derivative launched

10. Foreign Universities

Foreign Universities can establish International Branch Campus (IBC)

Foreign Education Institution can establish Offshore Education Centre (OEC)

Complete Policy & Regulatory Ecosystem in Place

- Globally aligned IFSCA (IBC & OEC) Regulations 2022
- 100% foreign ownership permitted
- Complete freedom to repatriate profits
- Free from Domestic Regulations (UGC & AICTE Acts disappplied)
- Tax Incentive- 10 yrs tax holiday & GST exemption
- Academic and administrative autonomy
- Charge tuition fee in Dollars, Euro, AUD, etc.
- No regulatory prescription on tuition fee
- Permitted Courses- Management, Fintech & STEM

Live and upcoming universities at GIFT



Started in July 2024.

Courses Offered:

- Master of Cyber Security
- Master of Business Analytics



Starting in Aug' 2024

Courses to be Offered:

- Masters in Computing
- Masters of Fin-Tech

Deakin Campus in GIFT IFSC



11. Global in-house centres

USD 46 Bn

GCC market size in FY

1580

Number of GCCs in India
by 2023

1.66 Mn

GCC Headcount in India FY 23

65%

GCCs in India have HQ in USA

11.4%

CAGR between 2015 to 2023

Cost Advantage



- 10 Year Tax Holiday
- Gujarat IT/ITeS policy: Capex and Opex Incentives
- Revenue in AUD and expenses in Indian Rupee

Skilled Workforce



- India has a large talent pool of skilled professionals
- Total enrolment in Higher Education: **USD 43 Mn**
- Gujarat produces **6.3 lacs** graduates every year

City & Infrastructure



- GIFT City is a greenfield smart city
- Best in class infrastructure
- Vibrant and growing urban ecosystem
- Robust Rail, Road, Air Connectivity

Innovation ecosystem



- IFSCA GIC Regulations 2021: Regulated In-house Centre can offer differentiated services
- Co-locating with Parent's business operation.
- **BoA has set up 2200-seater GIC in GIFT IFSC**

12. Professional Services Providers & Accounting Services

2021 Ancillary Service Framework

- Legal, Compliance and Secretarial
- Professional & Management Consulting Services
- Administration, Assets Management Support Services

2024 IFSCA (Bookkeeping, Accounting, Taxation & Financial Crimes Compliance Services) Regulation

- Develop GIFT IFSC as a “Global Accounting and Taxation Hub”
- Huge outsourcing opportunity
- Talent and Cost advantage
- Tax incentives
- Regulated ecosystem



2024 Events Calendar

S. No.	Event	Date
1	GIFT IFSC Wealth Management Conference	29 th November 2024
2	GIFT IFSC Global Capital Markets Conference	16 & 17 January 2024
3	IFSCA IRDAI GIFT Global Reinsurance Summit	20 th January 2025
4	Climate and Transition Finance Colloquium	25 th January 2025
5	FEDAI Currency Markets Roundtable	30 th January 2025

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