

# Overview of Indian Economy with its Recent Development

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**Abstract – India's balanced economy includes conventional village farming, contemporary forestry, crafts, a broad variety of modern industries, & multitude of services. India is evolving into an open-market economy, but remnants of its previous autochthonous policies exist. Economic liberalization initiatives, including market reform, privatization of state-owned companies and relaxed restrictions on foreign trade & investment, started at the beginning of the 1990s. In this article, we will review the analysis of the best performing sectors of the Indian economy and the impact of GST on the Indian economy.**

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## INTRODUCTION

India has a mixed economy in it. Half of India's staff are dependent on livestock, the hallmark of a conventional economy. One-third of its employees are hired by the services sector, which accounts for two-thirds of India's production. The competitiveness of this segment is facilitated by India's move into a market economy. After the 1990's, India has deregulated a range of sectors. This privatized a variety of state-owned companies and opened doors to foreign direct investment.

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terms of the government's commitment to progressive economic change and a lazy global turnaround. The outlook of financial specialists on India has shifted since the beginning of 2014, owing to the downturn in the existing record deficit and the need for post-political decision-making economic reform, the increase in international inflows and the adjustment of the rupee. Performance has rebounded from 2014 to 2016. Regardless of the accelerated speed of development relative to the rest of the planet, India's government-owned banks faced growing bad debt, resulting in weak credit growth. Growing macro-economic imbalances in India and improving economic conditions in Western countries have driven investors to transfer money away from India, contributing to a rapid reduction of the rupee through 2016.

The economy stalled again in 2017 as a consequence of the "demonetization" shocks in 2016 & execution of GST in 2017. After the election, the government has enacted a major goods & services tax bill and increased foreign direct investment quotas in certain industries, but most economic reforms have centered on structural and governance improvements, mainly because the governing party remains a minority in India's upper house, which will sanction most bills.

India has a younger population & resulting low dependence level, high savings and consumption levels, and is growing its penetration into the global economy. Moreover, long-term issues remain substantial, such as: discrimination & girls in India, an ineffective power generation & distribution system, Inefficient regulation on intellectual property rights, decades of civil lawsuits, insufficient transport and agriculture facilities, restricted non-agricultural job prospects, high spending and inappropriately focused jobs.

## ECONOMIC HISTORY OF INDIA

India's economic history may be loosely separated into three periods, starting with the pre-colonial phase of the 17th century. The arrival of British settlement in the Indian subcontinent started the colonial era in the 17th century, which concluded with Indian independence in 1947. The third period is the era of post-independence since 1947.

### Pre-colonial

People of the Indus Valley, a permanent & largely urban city that existed among 2800 BC & 1800 BC, conducted agriculture, domesticated livestock, utilized standardized weights & measurements, produced tools & weapons, & traded with other towns. Evidence of well-planned highways, drainage networks & water sources shows their experience of urban development, including the world's first integrated sanitation schemes, & the presence of a sort of local government.

Most of the population of the area constituting current-day India lived in villages<sup>[1]</sup> which communities were mostly autonomous & self-sustaining, with agriculture being the primary occupation of the people. It met the food requirements of the village & also supported raw materials for hand-based industries such as textiles, food processing & crafts. While several kingdoms and rulers released coins, the exchange rate was still prevalent. Villages charged a portion of their agricultural goods as revenue, whereas their craftsmen earned a portion of their crops at harvest time for their services.

### Colonial

The colonial rule put together an administrative framework that secured land rights, assured free trade, had set exchange rates, a standardized currency regime, metric weights and measurements, opened up capital markets, created a well-developed rail and telegraph network, a judiciary free from political control and a functional legal system. This corresponded to major shifts in the global economy – industrialisation, increases of commerce and development, and modern thought on international policy followed by governments. By end of colonial rule, though, India had inherited an economy which was one of the weakest in the world & stagnated, with economic growth stagnant, agriculture utilizing it to feed a steadily growing population, with regular famines, another of the lowest life expectancy in the country, extreme poverty and mostly illiterate. The Cambridge scholar Angus Madison's estimate reveals that India's share of world income decreased from 22.6 per cent in 1700, equivalent to 23.3 per cent in Europe, to 3.8 per cent in 1952. Thus, India's leaders in the fight for independence and left-nationalist economic historians have blamed colonial rule for India's dim development, and India's wider macroeconomic landscape during this era may seem to have seen parts of both growth and downturn as a consequence of changes brought on by colonialism & the world that have pushed toward industrialization & globalization.

### Post-independence

Since autonomy, India's economic approach, impacted by pioneer understanding (that Indian policymakers saw as exploitative in nature) and presentation to Fabian communism, was protectionist in nature, forcing import replacement activities, industrialization, state cooperation in labor and budgetary markets, a huge open division, free guideline of exchange, and focal standard. Jawaharlal Nehru, India's first PM, for example, the analyst Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis, has planned and managed the economic approaches of autonomous India. They anticipated great impacts from this procedure, as it included both the open and private segments,

and fixated on straightforward and backhanded state mediation rather than a Soviet-style headquarters framework. The approach of depending simultaneously on capital and innovation escalated substantial industry and financing hand-based and low-gifted house enterprises was restricted by market analyst Milton Friedman, who felt that it would squander assets and work as well as obstruct the advancement of littler organizations.

India's lower normal growth rate up to 1980 was negatively alluded to as the Hindu growth rate because of the differentiating elevated levels of growth in other Asian nations, particularly the East Asian Tigers. Economic reforms that prodded economic growth in India after 1980 can be followed to two periods of progress. The master business enactment of 1980, started by Indira Gandhi and prevailing by Rajiv Gandhi, loosened up limitations on ability development for officeholders, expelled market tops and extended corporate assessments. The 1991 economic liberalization started by previous Prime Minister of India. In light of the full scale economic emergency, Narasimha Rao and his Finance Minister Manmohan Singh evacuated the Raj License (Investment, Industrial and Import Licensing) and finished the syndication of the open segment in various parts, taking into account the programmed endorsement of foreign direct investment in various areas. From that point forward, the general bearing of liberalization has remained the equivalent, regardless of the decision party in the south, despite the fact that no gathering has yet attempted to take on ground-breaking entryways, for example, worker's organizations and makers, or argumentative issues, for example, work reforms and decreases in horticultural sponsorships.

## **GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION**

### **State Planning**

After independence, India called for a centrally controlled economy to ensure an effective and fair redistribution of national wealth with a view to sustainable economic growth. Post liberalization, with the advent of a fast-growing private sector climate, regulation has been descriptive rather than concise of nature. The method of drawing up and guiding the Five-Year Plans is being undertaken by the Planning Committee, headed by the Prime Minister of India.

### **Mixed economy**

India is a hybrid economy, containing both the capitalist open markets and the socialist directing regimes. As a consequence, the private sector is facing attempts (controls decreased after liberalization) and the public sector works more exclusively through the state. The public sector typically encompasses regions that are either too big or too uneconomic to leave behind the volatility of

capitalist economies. As a result, activities, including train and mail networks, are carried out by the Department.

Separate periods saw the nationalization of sectors, such as banks, putting them in the public sector, on the other side, and the privatization of many public sector businesses during the age of liberalization, on the other side.

### **General budget**

The Minister of Finance of India shall send the Union's annual budget to Parliament on the last working day of February. The budget must be approved by the House until it comes into effect on 1 April, the beginning of the Indian fiscal year. The Union budget is accompanied by an economic study released on the day of the budget and reports the total economic output of the nation and the economic results of the previous financial year.

## **TOP PERFORMING SECTORS OF INDIAN ECONOMY**

The implementation of the New Economic Policy in 1991 witnessed a significant change in the Indian economy when the mixed market paradigm and licensing structure ended & Indian industry opened up to the world. An summary of the highest performing sectors of the Indian economy are provided below –

### **1. Agricultural Sector:**

Agriculture remains among the most significant sectors in the Indian economy. Its share of the country's GDP has reduced & currently stands at 14 percent. Moreover, more than 50% of the country's total population already relies on agriculture. With this in view, the Union budget 2017-18 assigned the agricultural sector a high priority & aimed at doubling farmers' incomes by 2022.

- Government subsidies for agriculture were at an all-time peak.
- Under turn, crop trends have changed in favour of cash crops like sugar cane & rubber.
- Launch of cooperative farming such as – e-choupal respectively.
- Growing of SHGs like Lijjat Papad.
- Farm land is being utilized for commercial and industrial uses, thereby straining the existing farm property.

- Several manufacturing markets have been opened up for agricultural products.
- Food manufacturing is developing as a Sunrise Industry

## 2. Industry Sector:

The manufacturing field is another significant aspect of the Indian economy. Changes like the demise of the 'Permit Raj' & opening up of the economy have been accepted throughout the country with great excitement and hope. As a consequence of these reforms, the economic output of the economy has risen since 1991.

- Explosion of manufacturing, from conventional iron & steel to jute and automobile.
- Control in production, promotion and delivery.
- Red reduced-Tapism.
- Promoting foreign spending, both domestic and FDI.
- Shift in technologies and the advantages in research and innovation to the good of the economy.
- Accomplishment in business frameworks such as joint projects, public-private alliances, MNCs.
- Private companies were granted the ability to join new markets that were once under the government monopoly.

## 3. Services Sector:

The services industry was the business that gained most from the Current Economic Strategy. Banking, accounting, business process privatization-and, most notably, information technology services-has seen double-digit growth.

- Indian IT giants including Infosys, WIPRO & TCS have rendered their impact on the global web.
- 60% of GDP production falls from the services sector.
- India, with its enormous capacity for demographic dividends, has emerged as the world's IT centre.
- New prospects for jobs are being generated in this field.

- Opening up the infrastructure, leisure and medical markets has contributed to an improvement in the competencies of the services industry.
- RBI has switched from being a supervisor to a facilitator.
- Brand range in financial spending.
- Stronger penetration in utilities such as insurance, finance, capital exchange, etc.
- Stronger increase of forex reserves.

## 4. Food Processing:

Food processing has grown as a high-growth, high-profit industry and is one of the key aspects of the 'Made in India' initiative. The wide availability of raw materials, electricity, favorable government policies and numerous prospects have led India to seem like a main attractive market for the industry. With a population of 1.3 billion & average age of 29, as well as an growing middle-class demographic that absorbs a high proportion of its disposable food revenue, India has a large customer base. Total food & drink consumption in India is expected to grow from \$369 billion to \$1.14 billion by 2025. Output by the food processing industry (at market prices) is expected to grow to \$958 billion during the same era. India is the second largest producer of nutrition grain in the world, second only to China. This sector has tremendous potential in India as a result of increasing urbanization, income levels and raising demand for packaged & processed food. Visit the company page to read more about food processing market.

## 5. Manufacturing Sector:

The manufacturing industry is the second growing contributor to India's GDP after the services sector. In the future, various policy schemes along with Build in India, MUDRA, Sagarmala, Startup India, Freight Corridors, coupled with a major government commitment, will increase the share of the manufacturing sector.

Moreover, if India wants to raise its share in production to about 25% in GDP, the industry will have to substantially increase its spending on research and growth. The amount of value added must be improved at all levels, and the government must have fair remuneration to encourage people to join the manufacturing sector.



## RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ECONOMY OF INDIA

With these innovations and reforms, it is important to bear in mind that an optimum degree of cooperation amongst central & state governments is required in order to exploit the maximum potential of the economy & ensure good governance. It will also give power to our federal cooperative system, but will also boost India's economy like—

- Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)
- Startup India
- Digital India

This, among others, has led the Indian economy to leap 65 ranks (in the last four years) in the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Survey.

Such steps have strengthened India's image as one of the positive aspects of the otherwise dark global economy. India is one of the largest economies characterized by a stable macro-economic economy with declining inflation and improved fiscal and external balances. Not only that, it has also become one of the few economies that have introduced major 'structural changes' that have placed India on the international market as a global force.

## IMPACT OF GST ON INDIAN ECONOMY

### Positive Impact of GST in India:

1. GST implements common tax legislation across all jurisdictions across a wide range of industries. Prior to the introduction of the GST, the tax was measured and charged by each customer, including the final consumer called the Cascading Impact of Taxation. Suppose the substance A is made in a warehouse. As long as it is issued from the plant, the central government must pay the excise duty. When that drug A is distributed in the same state, VAT must be charged to the state government. The main purpose of introducing the GST was to prevent this cascading effect, since the tax is calculated only on the value added at each point of the transfer of ownership.
2. Consumer goods prices are likely to decline as the lowering in taxation reduces the cost of production.
3. It will reduce the pressure on the common man who charged several taxes.

4. GST will add revenue to the government by extending the tax base. Both indirect taxes will be put under one roof.
5. It's going to curb the influx of black money. This can only happen if the "kacha bill" scheme, usually followed by traders and shopkeepers, is reviewed.
6. GST would create a free corruption climate in the region.
7. GST shall include compensation for taxes charged by consumers in the products or services chain. That is supposed to enable manufacturers to procure raw materials from various licensed vendors, and it is anticipated that more suppliers and retailers would be subject to taxation.
8. GST shall remove the customs duties related to exports. The profitability of the nation in international markets would improve due to lower transaction costs. Exports would rise, thus foreign direct investment (FDI) would also increase.
9. Further job opportunities are anticipated as demand & supply are expected to rise.

### Negative impact of GST in India:

1. The Center would have to work with 29 States and 7 Federal Territories to enforce such a tax system that will contribute to constitutional problems which will be extremely complicated.
2. Consumers do not profit just as certain products have been cheaper, while some have become more costly.
3. The programs have been costly and have impacted the family income of the average man. 4. The amount of GST returns that each company is expected to file is also high, needing enough personnel to manage the records.
4. For the successful introduction of GST, tax administration personnel – both at central and state level – will need to be adequately qualified in terms of philosophy, law and procedure.
5. As a new levy, it may take the time for citizens to truly appreciate it.
6. This is a consumption-based levy, & case of utilities, the location where the service is delivered has to be calculated.

7. Proper invoicing and tracking has to be performed in order to guarantee proper performance.
8. The most noticeable concern is the absence of main industries such as power, gas, fuel, crude oil & real estate. Such deductions cannot will, as anticipated, the cascading impact of indirect taxes.

### Impact of GST on Textile Industries

The GST on jobs for textiles & its goods has been raising from 18% to 5%. Certain impacts of GST on the textile industry are input tax credits that are not allowed whether the licensed taxpayer purchases goods from the composition system of taxpayers or the unorganized market. It is essential in spite of the tax charged on capital products.

### Impact of GST on Steel & Iron Industries

Following the introduction of the GST, additional supplementary obligation (SAD) on iron and steel was abolished. Other major impacts of GST on the iron and steel industry in India include: cost & time reduction in logistics, increased employment opportunities in underdeveloped countries, the use of natural resources and protection for domestic industry. The tax thresholds for iron and steel vary from 12% to 28%. Transportation facilities used for the shipment of steel are held under 5 per cent of the classification, which would continue to reduce logistic costs.

### Impact of GST on Pharma Industries

The effect of GST on the healthcare sector is positive. It allowed companies to streamline the tax system as eight forms of taxes were imposed on the pharmaceutical sector prior to GST. The GST rates for the pharma & healthcare industry vary from 5% to 12%. Uh, VI. 6. Effect of GST The Telecom Industry Products and Services Tax or GST has been introduced and the GST on telecommunications companies is paid at 18%, which is higher than the level levied earlier. That would have an effect on the average man's income.

### Impact of GST on Automobile Sector

Earlier, the automotive industry paid a tax rate of about 30 and 45 per cent. However, with the launch of the GST, the level is set at 18%, which will have a positive impact on this sector, and will be profitable to both manufacturers/dealers and final customers. The aspirations and socio-economic position of consumers have been improved. As result of the implementation of the Goods & Services tax, there has been a major rise in the automotive market. It is now expected that the industry will benefit from GST with limited hassle-free procedures and rate fixation throughout the region.

### Impact of GST on Agriculture

In the supply side, manufacturing costs are expected to increase marginally. Sometimes used agri-foodstuffs, along with rice, wheat, milk, fresh fruit & vegetables, is included in the zero-tax category. This will help discourage fines, termination & arhatiya commissions levied by other governments. Processed products, such as fruit & vegetable juices under the GST, would be taxed at 12%, up from 5%. Some goods, such as fruit preserves, jellies, marmalades, etc., are taxed at an still higher rate of 18%. Higher tax rates are supposed to deter the growth of the food processing industry, particularly in cases of perishable fruit and vegetables. This may also have an effect on jobs in the provisions processing industry

### CONCLUSION

India is a mixed economy combining features of both capitalist market economies and socialist command economies. As a consequence, there is a managed private sector (the controls have reduced after liberalization) & public sector operated almost exclusively by the state. Economic liberalization initiatives, like industrial reform, sale of state-owned companies and raising restrictions on international exchange and investment, started at the start of the 1990s. The implementation of the New Economic Policy in 1991 saw a major change in the Indian economy & effect of GST on the Indian economy.

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