

Gujarat

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Q & A

5 growth Strategies and Solutions for creating a more vibrant Industrial Gujarat

- Improve basic Education quality and more focus on English for Technical and Management courses. Increase more number of Engineering Colleges/Technical Institutes and management Institutes.
- Relax prohibition policy to attract talent from outside. Graduates passing out of national institutions have different ideas about quality of life and enjoyment and prohibition policy is definitely hindrance as nobody can openly express their desires.
- Promote more and more Test facilities through PPP or Joint ventures to facilitate product development and validations.
- Attract FDI and investors in major Technology driven industries such as IT, Electronics, controls, Automation, Biotechnologies, Nanotechnologies, Automobiles which are Eco Friendly industries and provide excellent opportunities for growth. The present industries are polluting and capital intensive with limited job opportunities.
- Gujarat will have fast growth in : Reforms in Land acquisition, removal of restrictions such as NA, NOC and speedy clearance of govt approvals in setting up new industries.



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High growth industries in Gujarat and which sector is likely to grow the fastest

- Petrochemicals (Hydrocarbons)
- Refineries
- Pharmaceuticals
- Dairy and Food Processing



- Automobiles and Auto components.
- Textiles.
- Machine building Industry (Plastic, Pharmaceuticals, Textiles, Printing, Packaging, Material Handling, construction Equipments etc.)

Q & A Outline the Attractiveness of the State's Business Environment for greater Foreign Investments

Development of Infrastructure in Gujarat is excellent and it has demonstrated its commitments by executing major projects like Narmada dam, National Express Highways, International Airport/Cargo Terminal, World class BRTS, Storm Water Management and many more. Gujarat's Business friendly Govt. policies are no match which is why Tatas were tempted to move Nano Plant from Singur in WB to Sanand. Gujarat also has removed negative hype created by media about its law and order situation post 2002 Godhra violence. The entry of many MNCs and Business Houses like Tata, Reliance, Essar, Aditya Birla Group in Gujarat has endorsed that Gujarat is attractive destination for FDI.

Q & A Infrastructure Challenges today and solutions for building better infrastructure in the State

Like any other fast growing economy, Gujarat is faced with challenges of pressure on infrastructures of civic bodies, education, pollution, law and order and constant efforts are on to address these issues. The increasing urbanization is going to put pressure on existing infrastructure like affordable housing, pollution, congestion, education, law and order and more importantly divide between rich and poor.

Q & A Blueprint for making Guajrat a global manufacturing hub by 2020.

The policy makers at Gandhinagar are constantly reviewing the situation with interactions with NGO, trade associations such as CII, FICCI, GCCI and core teams of experts under leadership of dynamic CM. I think Gujarat while addressing issues of making Gujarat as Global manufacturing hub should not ignore the interest of common man and marginal farmers or at later stage face chronicle issues of insurgency which states like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Orissa are facing. Industrialization without concerns for common masses will be dangerous proposition which neither govt. nor industry will face easily if not planned at this stage. The mad approach of taking away farm land and handing over to mighty corporate may be feel good factor but it might lead to situation like Singur, Navi Mumbai SEZ and many SEZ projects where locals have been displaced badly without proper rehabilitations.

Q & A Advantages and benefits of doing business in Guajrat

Gujarat has best infrastructure compared to any other Indian state. Govt and Bureaucracy is business friendly and Gujarati Community as whole is enterprising with Global networking is an added advantage. Gujarat is well connected by Air, Rail and Road to all States capitals and it is definitely well managed state with good Law and order situation.

Q & A Emerging Opportunities for new ventures and SMES.

Every major project opens flood gate of opportunities for SMEs. May it be Tata's Nano or Bombardier's Wagon Factory, Reliance Refinery or Zydus Pharma Campus, Adani's CNG Grid all have opened tremendous opportunities to SMEs. Also Gujarat has natural talent of entrepreneur which is none to any other state On top of all Govt. is constantly bringing legislations to encourage SMEs. More and more Corporate either Indian or Overseas are creating opportunities to SMEs and this trend will continue as Low cost, Flexible operation is order of the day and none other than SMEs will address that.

