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Impact of Make in India in Indian Economy

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Abstract

The Indian economy has experienced significant growth and transformation in recent years, driven by a combination of factors such as a youthful demographic, economic reforms, and the dominance of the services sector. Initiatives like "Make in India" have stimulated manufacturing and foreign investment, while the digital revolution has opened new avenues for economic expansion. Infrastructure development is improving connectivity, and there's a growing emphasis on renewable energy and sustainability. However, India also grapples with challenges including income inequality, regulatory complexity, and the informal labor market. Addressing these challenges while harnessing the country's demographic dividend and fostering innovation is crucial for sustained economic development. As India navigates a dynamic global economic landscape, strategic reforms and investments in human capital are essential to ensure continued growth and prosperity.

Keywords- Indian economy, Economic growth, Make in India, Services sector and Challenges and reforms

"Make in India" is an initiative launched by the Indian government in September 2014 with the goal of transforming India into a global manufacturing hub and boosting the country's economy. The initiative aims to promote domestic manufacturing and attract foreign direct investment (FDI) in various sectors, thereby creating jobs, increasing exports, and reducing dependence on imports. Here are some of the key impacts and outcomes of the Make in India initiative on the Indian economy:

- 1. Increased Manufacturing Activity: Make in India has led to an increase in manufacturing activity in the country. It has encouraged both domestic and foreign companies to invest in manufacturing facilities and production units in India, leading to the creation of jobs and the growth of the manufacturing sector.
- 2. Employment Generation: The initiative has had a positive impact on employment generation. The growth of manufacturing industries has led to the creation of millions of jobs across various sectors, including automobiles, electronics, textiles, and more. This has helped reduce unemployment and underemployment in the country.
- 3. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): Make in India has successfully attracted FDI into the country. Foreign companies have shown interest in setting up manufacturing units in India, leading

to increased capital inflow. This not only supports economic growth but also contributes to technology transfer and skill development.

- 4. **Export Growth**: One of the objectives of Make in India is to boost exports. By encouraging domestic production, the initiative aims to make Indian goods more competitive in international markets. Several sectors, such as pharmaceuticals, automotive, and electronics, have seen significant growth in exports.
- 5. Ease of Doing Business: The government has taken several steps to improve the ease of doing business in India, including simplifying regulatory procedures and reducing bureaucratic hurdles. This has made it easier for businesses, both domestic and foreign, to set up and operate in India.
- 6. **Promotion of Key Sectors**: Make in India focuses on key sectors like aerospace and defense, electronics, automobiles, pharmaceuticals, and renewable energy. These sectors are crucial for economic development and have the potential to make India a global leader in manufacturing and innovation.
- 7. **Infrastructure Development**: To support manufacturing growth, the government has invested in infrastructure development, including industrial corridors, special economic

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zones (SEZs), and dedicated freight corridors. This infrastructure development has facilitated the movement of goods and reduced logistics costs.

- 8. **Skill Development**: Make in India has emphasized skill development and vocational training to ensure a skilled workforce that can meet the demands of the manufacturing sector. Various initiatives and schemes have been launched to enhance the employability of the workforce.
- 9. **Promotion of Startups**: The initiative has also encouraged entrepreneurship and the growth of startups, particularly in the technology and innovation sectors. This has contributed to India's reputation as a hub for tech startups.
- 10. **Challenges**: Despite its successes, Make in India has faced challenges related to infrastructure bottlenecks, regulatory complexities, and global economic conditions. Addressing these challenges is essential to sustain and accelerate the initiative's impact on the Indian economy.
- 11. **Global Supply Chain Integration**: The COVID-19 pandemic exposed vulnerabilities in global supply chains, prompting many companies to reassess their reliance on a single-source strategy, often centered on China. Make in India has an opportunity to position itself as an attractive alternative for companies looking to diversify their supply chains, especially in sectors like electronics and pharmaceuticals.
- 12. **Digital Transformation**: The integration of digital technologies in manufacturing, known as Industry 4.0, is a key focus area. Embracing automation, artificial intelligence, and the Internet of Things (IoT) can enhance productivity and competitiveness, making Indian manufacturing more attractive for both domestic and foreign investors.
- 13. **Sustainable Manufacturing:** Sustainable and environmentally friendly manufacturing practices are gaining importance globally. Make in India should encourage the adoption of green technologies and eco-friendly

production methods to align with global trends and address environmental concerns.

- 14. **Defense Manufacturing**: The defense manufacturing sector is receiving increased attention. Promoting domestic production of defense equipment not only enhances national security but also provides opportunities for advanced manufacturing and technology transfer.
- 15. **Pharmaceuticals and Healthcare**: The pandemic has underscored the importance of pharmaceutical manufacturing. India has the potential to become a global pharmaceutical manufacturing hub, supplying not only domestic needs but also exporting medicines and vaccines worldwide.
- 16. **Infrastructure Development**: Continued investment in infrastructure, including transportation, logistics, and energy, is crucial for supporting manufacturing growth. This includes the development of industrial parks, logistics hubs, and efficient transportation networks.
- 17. **Customized Incentives**: Tailoring incentives and policies to suit the specific needs of different industries and regions can attract more investments. Flexibility in policy implementation can be vital in addressing the diverse requirements of different sectors.
- 18. **Skills and Education**: Ongoing efforts in skill development and education are essential to ensure a continuously skilled and adaptable workforce. Collaborations between industry and academia can help bridge the skills gap.
- 19. Ease of Compliance: Simplifying compliance and regulatory processes further will encourage businesses to set up operations in India. A transparent and efficient regulatory environment is critical for fostering investor confidence.
- 20. **Global Trade Agreements**: Exploring and negotiating favorable trade agreements with other countries can enhance India's access to global markets and provide advantages for exporters.

The Make in India initiative has made significant progress in promoting manufacturing, employment, and investment in India. To sustain

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and build upon these gains, the government should continue to address challenges, adapt to changing global dynamics, and foster innovation and competitiveness within the manufacturing sector. The success of Make in India will play a crucial role in India's journey towards becoming a major global economic powerhouse.

Make in India

"Make in India" is an initiative launched by the Government of India in September 2014. It is aimed at transforming India into a global manufacturing hub and boosting the country's economic growth. The primary objectives of the Make in India campaign are:

- 1. **Promote Manufacturing**: The initiative aims to promote manufacturing in India across various sectors, including automobiles, electronics, textiles, pharmaceuticals, and more. The goal is to increase the share of manufacturing in India's GDP.
- 2. **Create Jobs**: One of the key focuses of Make in India is job creation. By encouraging manufacturing activities, the government aims to generate employment opportunities for millions of Indians, particularly in labor-intensive industries.
- 3. Attract Foreign Investment: Make in India seeks to attract foreign direct investment (FDI) by simplifying rules and regulations, improving the ease of doing business, and offering incentives to foreign companies looking to establish manufacturing facilities in India.
- 4. **Boost Exports**: The initiative aims to make Indian products competitive in international markets. By fostering a conducive environment for manufacturing, it is expected to lead to an increase in exports of Indian goods and services.
- 5. **Reduce Imports:** Make in India also intends to reduce India's dependence on imported goods by promoting domestic production and self-reliance in various sectors, particularly defense and electronics.
- 6. **Improve Infrastructure**: Infrastructure development is a crucial aspect of the initiative. It involves the creation of industrial corridors, special economic

zones (SEZs), and improved logistics and transportation networks to support manufacturing growth.

- 7. Ease of Doing Business: The government has implemented reforms to simplify regulatory processes and reduce bureaucratic red tape, making it easier for businesses, both domestic and foreign, to set up and operate in India.
- 8. **Skill Development:** Make in India places a strong emphasis on skill development and vocational training to ensure that the Indian workforce is equipped with the necessary skills to support the manufacturing sector.
- 9. **Promote Innovation**: Encouraging innovation and research and development (R&D) activities is vital for the success of Make in India. Innovation can lead to the development of new products and technologies, enhancing India's competitiveness.
- 10. Sector-Specific Focus: The initiative focuses on key sectors such as aerospace and defense, electronics, automobiles, textiles, renewable energy, and pharmaceuticals, among others, with the aim of making India a global leader in these industries.

Since its launch, Make in India has attracted significant attention and investment from both domestic and international companies. It has led to the establishment of manufacturing units, job creation, and an increase in FDI inflows in various sectors. However, the initiative also faces challenges such as infrastructure bottlenecks, regulatory complexities, and global economic conditions that need to be addressed for sustained success.

Overall, Make in India is a comprehensive effort to revitalize India's manufacturing sector and position the country as a prominent player in the global economy. Its success will play a crucial role in India's economic growth and development. **Benefits**

The Make in India initiative has yielded several significant benefits for the Indian economy and society. Here are some of the key advantages:

1. **Job Creation**: Make in India has led to the creation of millions of jobs across various sectors, addressing unemployment and underemployment issues in the country.

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- 2. **Foreign Investment**: The initiative has successfully attracted foreign direct investment (FDI), infusing capital into the economy, and facilitating technology transfer.
- 3. **Manufacturing Growth:** Manufacturing activities have seen substantial growth, contributing to the diversification of the Indian economy and reducing its reliance on services.
- 4. **Export Expansion**: Indian products have become more competitive in international markets, resulting in increased exports, which in turn bolster foreign exchange reserves.
- 5. **Skills Development**: The emphasis on skill development has enhanced the employability of the Indian workforce, aligning it with the needs of the manufacturing sector.
- 6. **Infrastructure Development**: The initiative has spurred infrastructure development, including industrial corridors and logistics networks, which benefits various industries.
- 7. **Reduced Import Dependency**: Make in India aims to reduce India's dependence on imported goods by encouraging domestic production, enhancing economic self-sufficiency.
- 8. **Technology Transfer**: Collaboration with foreign companies has facilitated the transfer of advanced technologies and expertise to Indian firms.
- 9. Innovation and **R&D**: A focus on innovation and research and development has the potential to make India a hub for cutting-edge technology and product development.
- 10. **Sustainable Development**: The initiative encourages sustainable manufacturing practices, aligning with global trends and environmental responsibility.
- 11. **Enhanced Global Standing:** Successful implementation of Make in India can elevate India's status in the global economy, making it a preferred destination for investment and trade.
- 12. Entrepreneurship: Make in India has encouraged entrepreneurship and the growth of startups, particularly in technology and innovation sectors.

Make in India has had a transformative impact on India's economic landscape by promoting manufacturing, creating jobs, attracting investments, and enhancing the nation's competitiveness on the global stage. It plays a crucial role in India's journey towards becoming a major global economic powerhouse.

Impact of Indian Economy

The Indian economy is one of the world's largest and has been undergoing significant changes and developments in recent years. Various factors have had a notable impact on the Indian economy:

- 1. Economic Growth: India has experienced relatively high economic growth rates over the past few decades, making it one of the world's fastestgrowing major economies. This growth has been driven by factors such as a large and youthful population, increased urbanization, and economic reforms.
- 2. Services Sector Dominance: The services sector, including IT and business process outsourcing (BPO), has played a crucial role in the Indian economy. It has contributed significantly to GDP, employment, and foreign exchange earnings.
- 3. Manufacturing Initiatives: Initiatives like "Make in India" aim to boost manufacturing activities, create jobs, and reduce dependence on imports. These efforts have led to growth in manufacturing such sectors as automobiles, electronics. and pharmaceuticals.
- 4. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI): India has attracted increasing FDI inflows, which have boosted investment in various sectors and contributed to economic growth. The "Ease of Doing Business" improvements have further attracted foreign investors.
- 5. **Digital Transformation**: India has witnessed a digital transformation, with increasing internet and smartphone penetration. This has led to the growth of digital services, e-commerce, and financial technology, enhancing economic activities.
- 6. **Infrastructure Development**: Investments in infrastructure, such as transportation networks, power

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generation, and urban development, are improving connectivity and supporting economic growth.

- 7. **Rural Economy:** Agriculture remains a significant contributor to employment, and government initiatives like "MGNREGA" aim to provide rural employment and reduce poverty.
- 8. **Challenges:** The Indian economy faces challenges like income inequality, underemployment, and regulatory complexities. Informal labor markets and disparities between urban and rural areas persist.
- 9. Global Trade: India has increased its engagement in international trade, entering into various trade agreements and boosting exports. However, trade imbalances and protectionist measures globally also pose challenges.
- 10. Economic Reforms: The government has introduced economic reforms like the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and bankruptcy code to streamline taxation and business operations. These reforms aim to improve the ease of doing business.
- 11. Energy Transition: India is gradually transitioning toward cleaner and renewable energy sources to address environmental concerns while meeting its growing energy needs.
- 12. Health and Education: Investment in healthcare and education is essential for human capital development and long-term economic growth.
- 13. **Geopolitical Factors**: Geopolitical tensions and global economic shifts can impact India's trade and economic stability.

The Indian economy has experienced significant growth and transformation in recent years, driven by factors such as services, manufacturing initiatives, infrastructure development, and digitalization. However, it also faces challenges related to inequality, regulatory hurdles, and global economic dynamics. The success of ongoing initiatives and the ability to address these challenges will be crucial in shaping India's economic future.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the Indian economy has seen remarkable progress and transformation over the

years, driven by a combination of factors including rapid urbanization, a youthful population, economic reforms, and a growing services sector. Initiatives like "Make in India" have bolstered manufacturing, foreign investment, and job creation. The digital revolution has opened up new avenues for growth, and infrastructure development is improving connectivity and accessibility.

However, the Indian economy also faces significant challenges, including income inequality, regulatory complexities, and the need for continued reforms. The informal labor market and regional disparities remain areas of concern.

As India continues its journey towards economic growth and development, it must focus on sustainable practices, investing in human capital through education and healthcare, and addressing the evolving global economic landscape. Collaboration, innovation, and adaptability will be key in overcoming challenges and ensuring a prosperous future for the nation.

The resilience and potential of the Indian economy are evident, and with strategic planning, inclusive policies, and a commitment to economic reforms, India can continue to make substantial strides on the global stage.

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