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# ANALYSIS REPORT

## Indian Economy: A Decadal Review



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# 01 Overview

The substantial and incremental reforms in the last ten years have contributed to India's economic progress. The assessment of India's Economy over the last decade showcased many ups and downs. It has witnessed unmatched growth on the pillars of determination, innovation, and long-term vision despite unexpected obstacles like the COVID-19 pandemic and evolving geopolitical situations. The decadal review will reveal the historical stand of the Indian Economy and upcoming prospects for establishing all-inclusive growth for India@100.

Post-independence, the growth of the Indian economy was notable. However, to give more strength to counter the sluggish growth of the economy, in this decade the government took several initiatives and amended policies to ensure economic stability, modernization, and growth.



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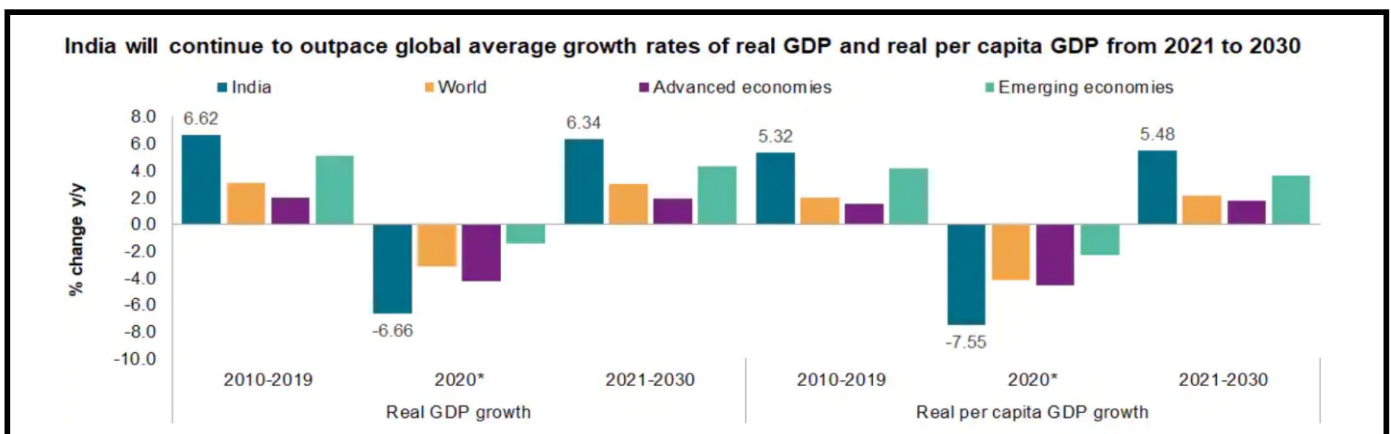


The diversified growth history till 2014 was effectively assessed by prominent stakeholders, economists, and policymakers to grab valuable insights for learning lessons. It has led to the design and optimization of future policies and strategies.



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The Decadal Review for 2014 to 2024 has forecasted life-changing economic growth based on diverse factors like advancement in technology, improved policies by leveraging demographic advantages further driven by policies attracting investments, growing infrastructure, safeguarding food security, boosting digital infrastructure for citizens, ease of doing business, easy finance and robust commerce.



Source: <https://www.spglobal.com/marketintelligence/en/mi/research-analysis/outlook-for-indias-economic-growth-and-policy-platforms.html>

The ill effects of the global pandemic COVID-19 and demonetization have significantly impacted diverse informal sectors. However, the economy has regained its momentum while highlighting its economic strengths, fiscal disciplines, and implementation of growth-centric initiatives in this decade to focus on India's Economic journey sidelined by historical events, and lessons learned to keep a close eye on the vision of becoming a developed nation.



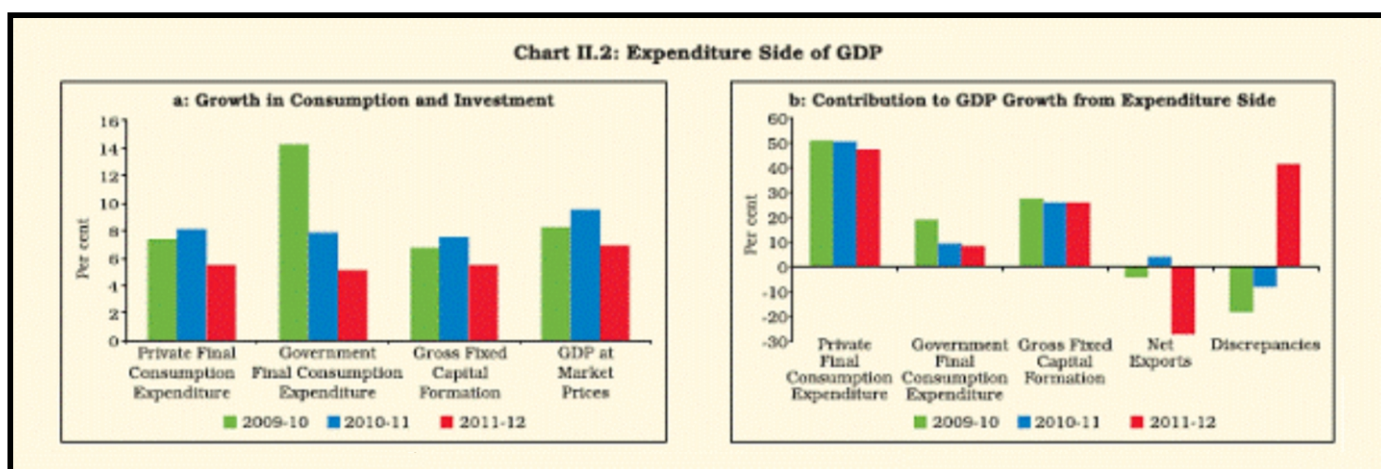
# 02 Indian Economy Between 1950-2014

India's journey on the economic front post-independence from 1950 to 2014 noticed diverse challenges and vital changes in the policies and achievements witnessing outstanding transformations during these years holding great historical significance.

India's share in the world's income after attaining independence fell drastically from 22.6% in 1700 to 3.8% in 1952. To overcome financial instability and make way for countries' development to foster modernization the government introduced the speedy development of industries that were primarily state-owned enterprises (SOEs). However, the country also faced the challenge of economic congestion because of bureaucratic responsibilities and malfunctioning.

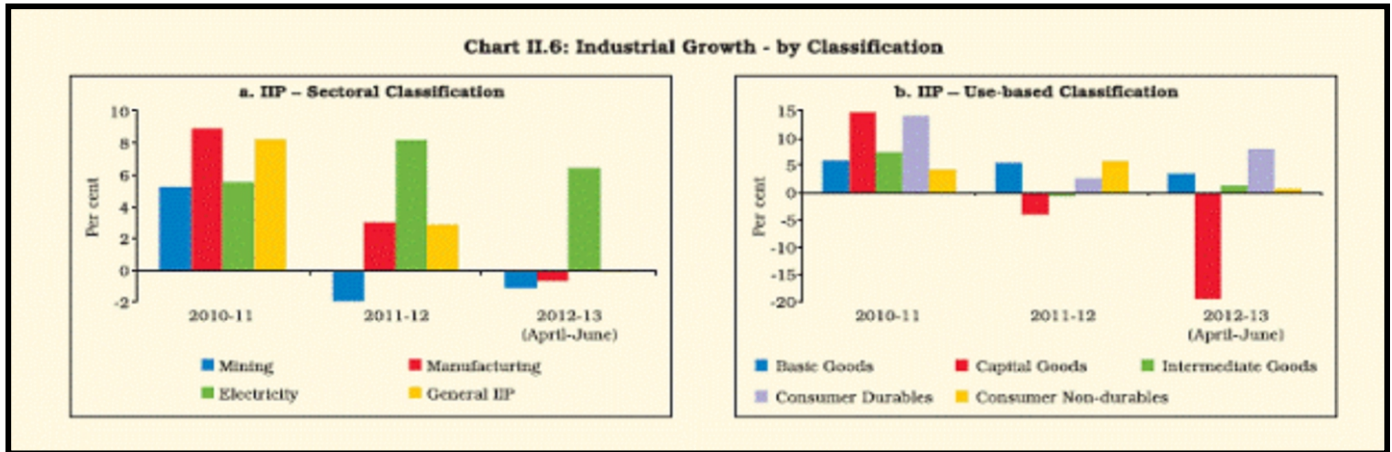


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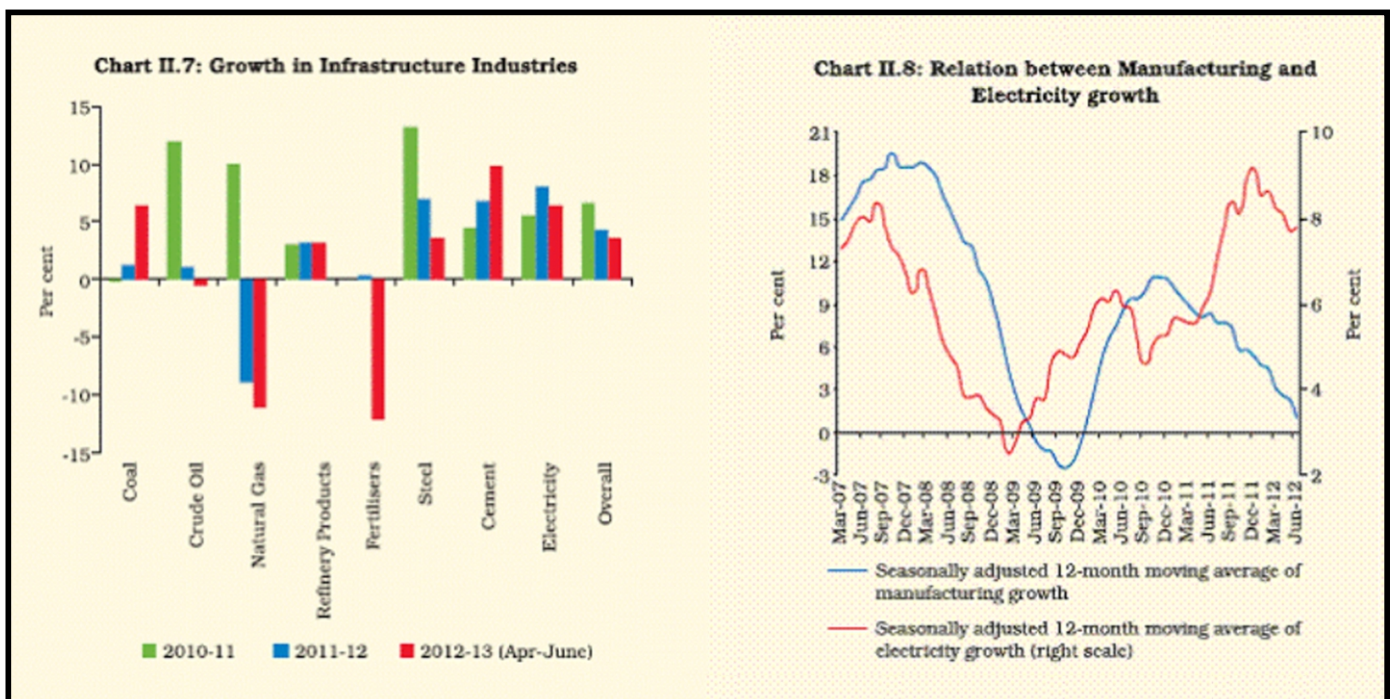
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This historical period is acclaimed as an era driven by wise financial planning to witness diminished poverty, progressing industrialization, and a self-sufficient county in the world. They focussed on adopting strategies and policies that complimented India's socio-economic growth like the Green Revolution.



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Evolving policies and strategies towards a friendly business ecosystem to provide robustness to economic progress has benefited several sectors like Finance, Agriculture, etc. The reforms also focused on promoting human welfare and gender-neutral development. Despite this, the era witnessed poverty, ecosystem concerns, inequality, and unemployment.



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The economic journey during this period witnessed several successes and challenges and to attain consistent viable growth in the future timely and continuous reforms would be needed post-globalization.

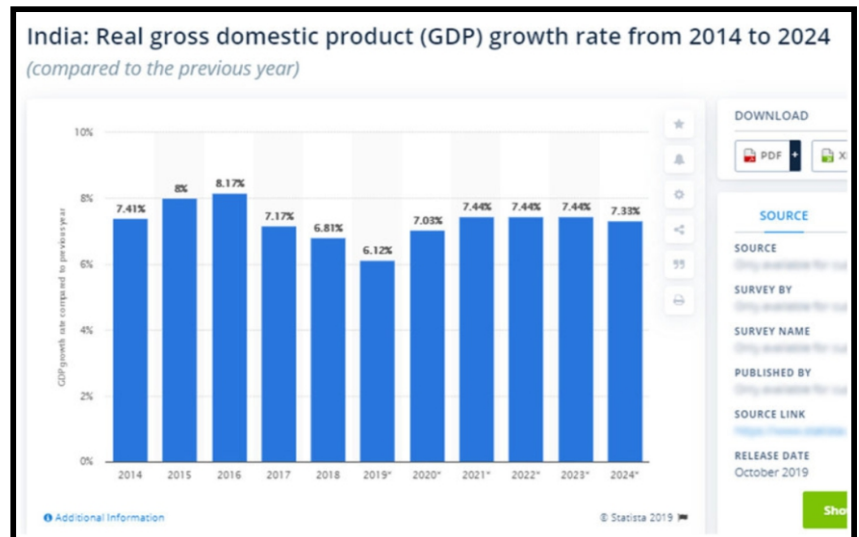


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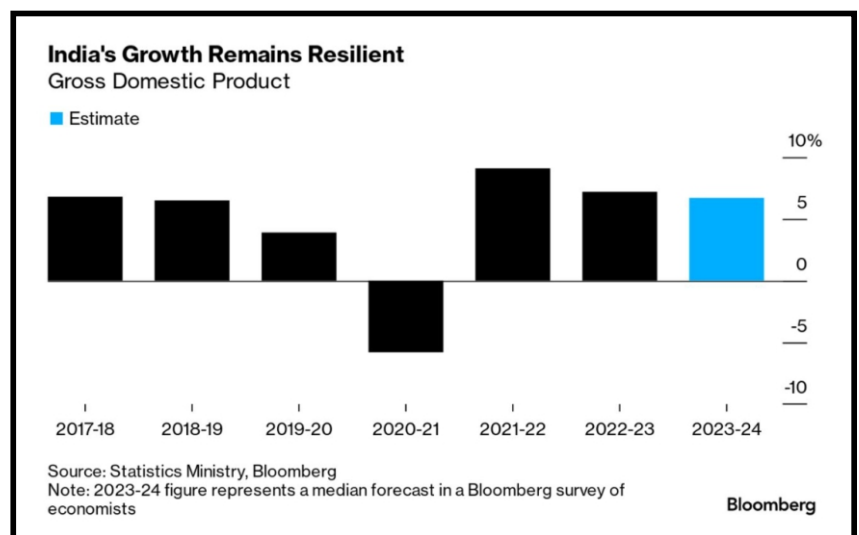
In the last 10 years, the Indian economy has climbed up five places from being the 10th largest economy to the 5th largest economy place with a GDP of USD 3.7 trillion. India plays a commanding role during the odd times of the COVID-19 pandemic globally. The consistent policy-based business and citizen-friendly reform have helped India to progress up on the ladder of economic growth while making an ambitious target of becoming a 'developed economy' by 2047.

The Indian Economy during the period 2014 to 2024 reveals significant shifts like improving policies and adoption of innovative technology to witness robust economic growth with a rising global presence. **This decade is termed as an era of metamorphic growth where India's economy is a part of the G20 fastest-growing economies.**

The government launched various initiatives like the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (IBC) and Goods and Services Tax, 2017 (GST) to improve economic turnarounds, with good intention to fight back against black money. The government announced demonetization in 2016 having both advantages and disadvantages on the Indian Economy. From 2019 to 2024 regardless of the global pandemic COVID-19, India witnessed a significant comeback on the economic front. India's top-line segments like pharmaceuticals, automobiles, electronics, etc highlighted remarkable manufacturing growth supported through financial services, information technology, E-commerce, etc to boost the economy.



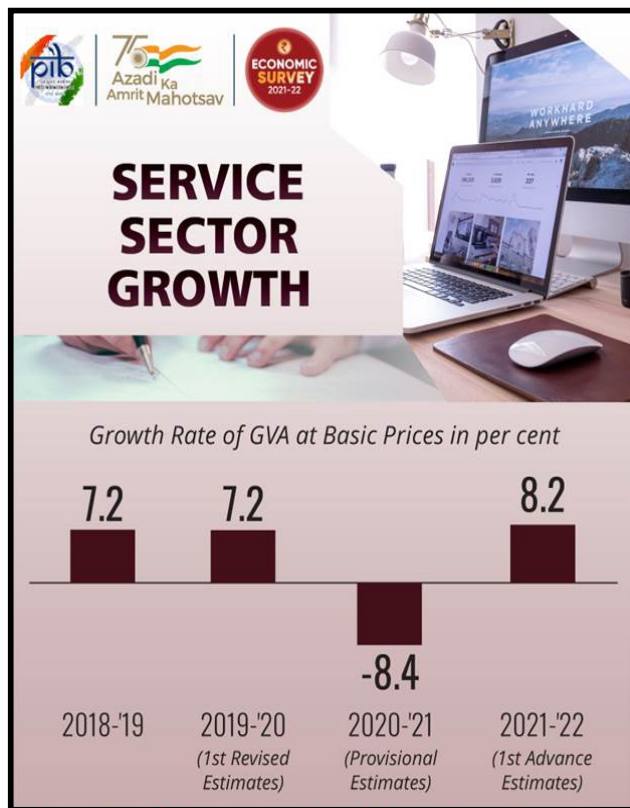
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Amendments were brought to the Contract Farming and the Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) Act to upscale farmers' earnings. To revive infrastructure development and logistics concerns the government announced several initiatives like Sagarmala for port infrastructure, Bharatmala for road connectivity, National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP), Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik Regional Connectivity Scheme (UDAN-RCS), etc. The logistics support for these infrastructure programs will be driven by the National Logistics Policy 2022.

The decade complemented by growth opportunities has also witnessed challenges like the creation of an ample amount of employment for the Indian youth which can't be overlooked. The implementation of the digital ecosystem in this technology era has proved to be a milestone in leveraging easy penetration to market, finance, digital identities, optimized deals, and enhanced tax collection creating economic freedom for rapid and viable financial growth.



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### Key Achievements Between 2014-2024

8.2 % growth expected in overall services sector	Total cargo capacity increased to 1,246.86 mtpa in 2021 from 1052.23 mtpa in 2014
Services contributed over 50% to GDP	FDI inflow of \$ 16.73 billion received in first half (H1) of 2021-22
Sector witnessed 10.8% growth during first half of 2021-22	Various reforms undertaken in space sector to promote private sector participation
Record 44 startups reached unicorn status in 2021	IT-BPM revenues reached US\$ 194 billion, growing by 2.26% in 2020-21
22.8% increase in net exports of services in H1 2021-22	

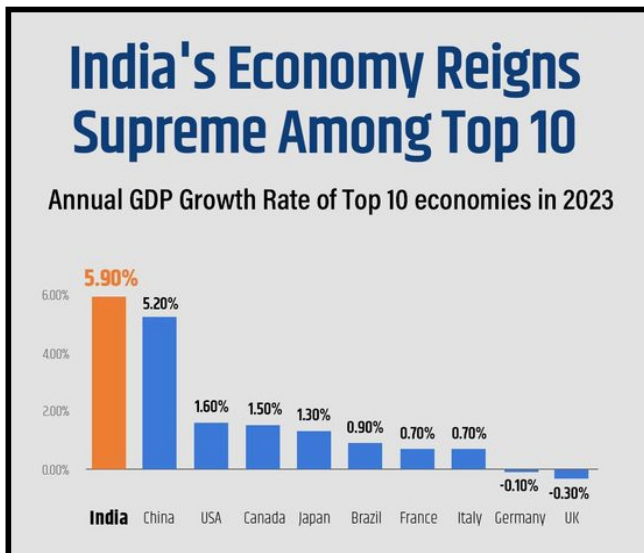
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# 04 Drivers of Growth in Transformative Decade

In this period, consistent efforts and reforms have significantly addressed the challenges in India's economic journey to witness all-inclusive growth. The decade has played a vital role in the progress of India witnessing a powerful financial framework.

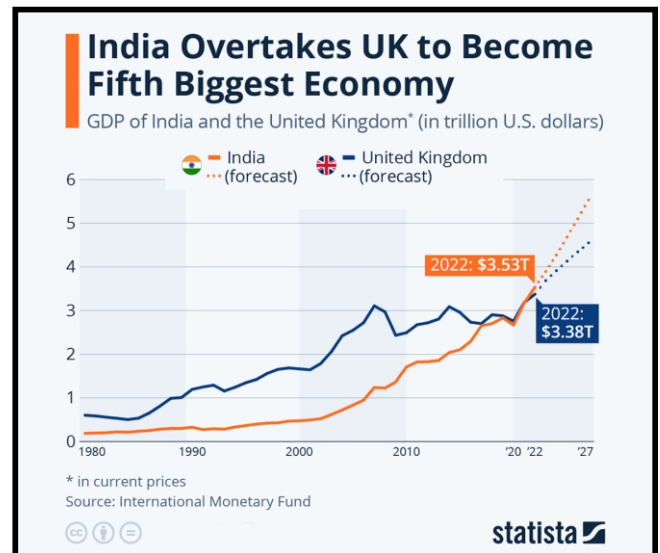
Regardless of global economic challenges, our economy remained robust and moving because of the vigorous consumption demand from the middle class, increased incomes, improved lifestyle, and urbanization as the buying capacity of middle-class consumers has been increasing continuously.



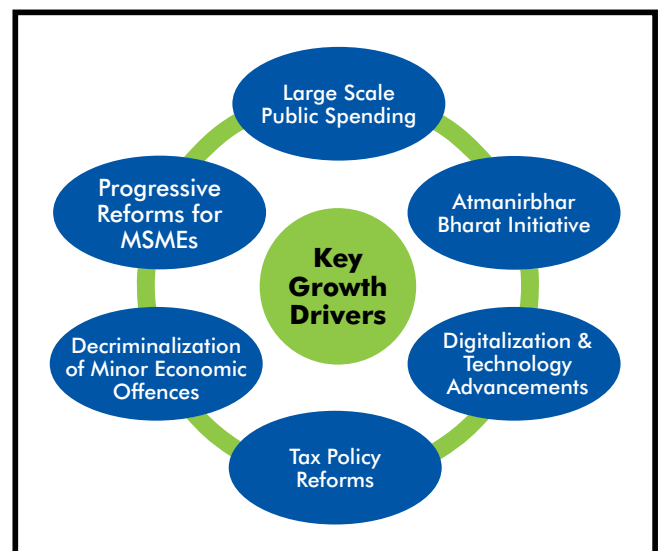
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Amendments in policies promoting the development of infrastructure and doing commerce with ease have attracted several domestic and international funding ensuring growth.

Similarly, the reforms in the agricultural sector to overcome food security by improving the quality of crop yields, enhancing productivity aiding the country's economic growth as well as farmers' earnings. The launching of digital technology has revolutionized India by offering Citizen-centric services, boosting efficiency, ease of access, and transparency raising the bar of quality life while climbing up the growth ladder continuously.

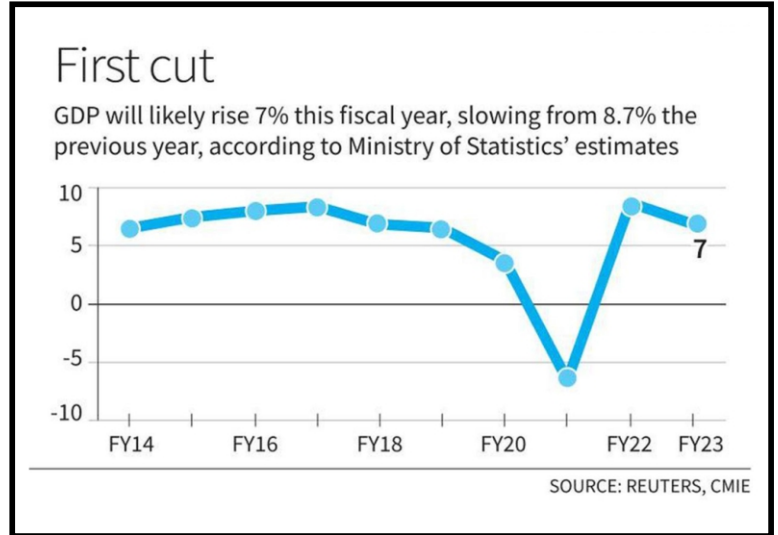
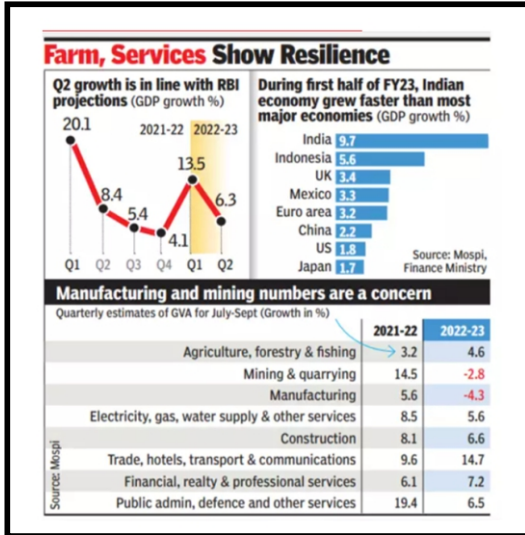


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The government decisions have reshaped the financial sector by leveraging capital markets, fintech inclusion, and banking services needed to welcome capital flow and investments as a result of well-organized reforms in the financial markets.



Efficient management of policies for income, employment, and inflation and wise management of different tax regimes provide a favourable ecosystem for viable economic growth.

Key Policy Reforms in the Financial Sector

Recapitalization and Merger of Public Sector Banks

Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016

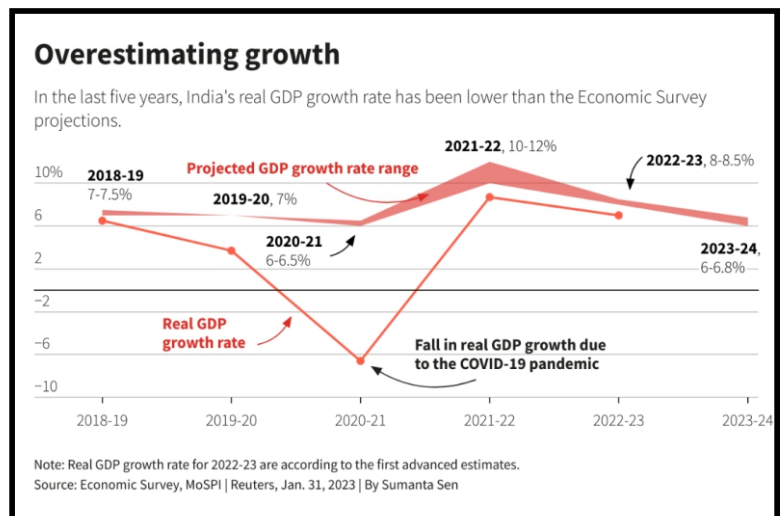
Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016

Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) Policy for Aatmanirbhar Bharat

Make in India programmes

Programs launched to minimize the gender inequality gap and concentrate on women-driven development along with the funding of skill development, healthcare, and education for creating a robust workforce with a long-term vision and systematic planning for viable growth and development.

Despite challenges, India emerged as a champion economy across the globe. As we move forward, continuous efforts through policy shifts, funding, and transformation will ensure India's economic growth for decades to come.



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## Economic Indicators from Interim Union Budget

The Interim Union Budget 2024-25 was presented on 01 February 2024. It has highlighted several economic indicators for analysing the economic forecasts for this year promising a new financial year full of opportunities and outcomes.

According to the assessment, the real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is a significant factor in predicting economic accomplishment. Data reveals that India observed a noticeable growth at 7.7% after witnessing a growth rate of 7.6% in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter during the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the financial year 2024. This upward swing highlights the robust nature of our economy and the potential ability to fight back in tough times.

The International Monetary Fund in its January 2024, World Economic Outlook publication has amended the country's growth estimations to 6.7% from the 6.3% estimate from WEO, October 2023.



**Focus on a more comprehensive 'GDP'**  
*'Governance, Development and Performance'*

- Transparent, accountable, people-centric and trust-based administration
- Macro-economic stability and all-round development in all sectors
- Increasing average real income, empowerment of people and timely delivery of programmes

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**People-Centric Inclusive Development**  
*Multipronged economic management*

- Substantive development of Physical, Digital and Social infrastructure
- Promoted formalisation and financial inclusion via Digital Public Infrastructure
- Savings, credit and Investment back on track by strengthening of financial sector

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**Viksit Bharat by 2047**

**Garib Kalyan, Desh ka Kalyan**

- DBT of ₹34 lakh crore using PM-Jan Dhan accounts; ₹2.7 lakh crore saved due to avoidance of leakages
- Credit assistance to 78 lakh street vendors under PM-SVANidhi, out of which 2.3 lakh received credit for the third time

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This positive scenario in economic growth estimation is backed by the efficient management of basic factors like income, unemployment, inflation, supply & demand, growth, and global commerce to increase consumption demand at the domestic level.

**Viksit Bharat by 2047**

**Empowering Amrit Peedhi, the Yuva**

- 1.4 crore youth trained under Skill India Mission
- 43 crore loans sanctioned under PM Mudra Yojana
- Number of AIIMS increased from 7 in 2014 to 22 in 2022
- IITs increased from 16 in 2014 to 23 in 2023

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**Viksit Bharat by 2047**

**Momentum to Nari Shakti**

- 30 crore Mudra Yojana loans disbursed to women entrepreneurs
- Female enrolment in higher education increased by 28 per cent in 10 years
- Female constitute 43 per cent of enrolment in STEM courses, one of the highest in the world
- 1 crore women assisted by 83 lakh SHGs to become Lakhpati Didis

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The government in the interim budget increased the capital expenditure amounting to INR 11,11,111 crore (11.1%) accounting for 3.4% of India's overall GDP. The notable investment will boost employment prospects and economic growth. The 50-year interest-free loans scheme for capital expenditure to states with a budget capacity of INR 1.3 lakh crore. As a result of wise and efficient budgetary management, the fiscal deficit for this year is expected around 5.1% of GDP against the 5.8% in the financial year 2023-24.

The government programs focused on improving the social status of the prominent segment of society including women, youth, the poor, and farmers complemented by INR 1 lakh crore for a 50-year interest-free loan. **Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) as a result of consistent efforts between 2014-2023 rose to 596 billion USD**, doubling the amount invested between 2005-2014 showcasing a glimpse of India's economic growth driven by several economic indicators.





# 06 Challenges before the Indian Economy

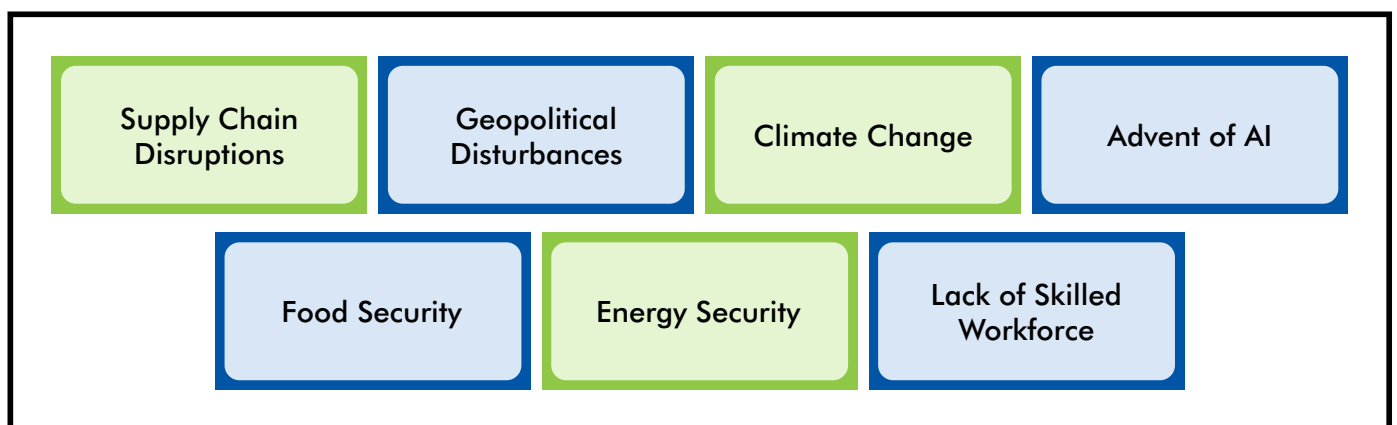
The growth track of India's economy is parallely witnessing a broad range of critical challenges. Since 2014, several initiatives, policy shifts, wise planning, and efforts have been exercised to address all the hurdles coming in the way of the country's holistic growth. The prospects of the Indian economy in the prevailing world are driven by the dual factors of local as well as international performances and developments.

Therefore, a slow down in geopolitical and globalization impacts global commerce and eventually universal growth. The energy security-led economic growth witnesses multi-dimensional challenges like social, fiscal, technological, geopolitical, and climate policies implemented by different countries affecting economies globally.



Source: <https://swarajyamag.com/economy/india-must-grow-at-not-easy-8-9-per-cent-for-20-years-to-become-developed-country-by-2047-deloitte-south-asia-ceo>

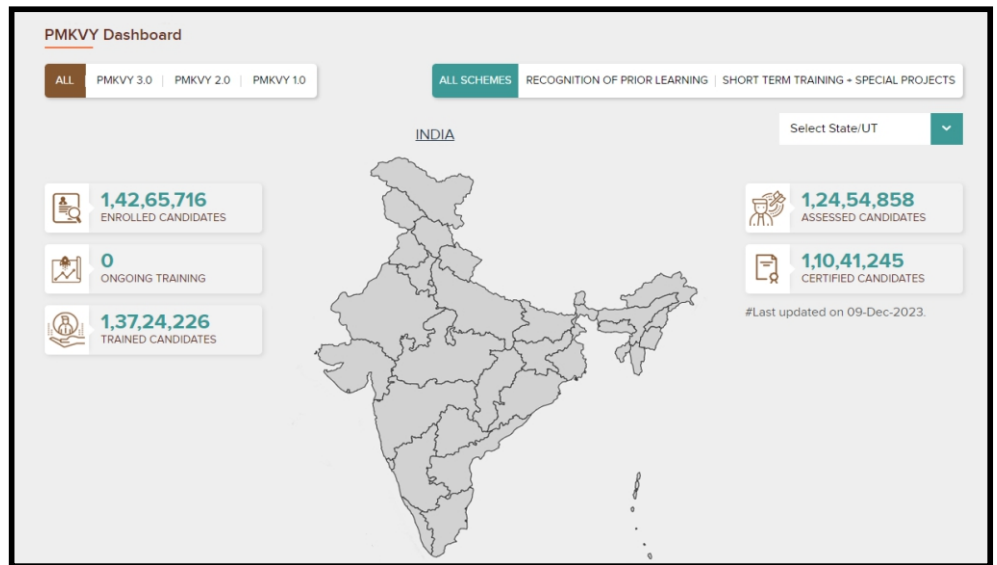
## Key Economic Challenges



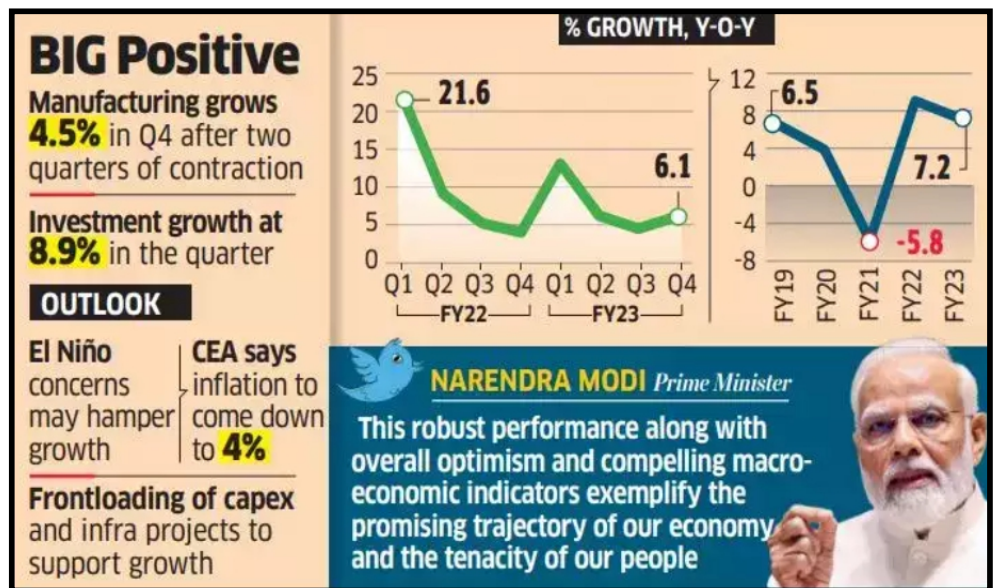
According to one of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) reports around 40% of the worldwide employment might be at risk due to the intervention of Artificial Intelligence (AI). To harness skills in India's working population the government has launched Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY) for the development of the existing infrastructure and to create a workforce ecosystem that is digitally at par to avail the crux of AI.

To fight against the availability of a good pool of talented skilled workers, policies are implemented with a result-oriented approach. A sustainable pool of diverse talents has planned to be trained to be accommodated in various industries, and ensure they maintain a healthy lifestyle to ensure long-term productivity.

To counter climate scenario challenges, the government has promoted policies to promote a shift from coal-based manufacturing to renewable energy sources. The Indian Economy in the hands of the new government after 2014 witnessed visionary changes to counter contemporary challenges while focusing on all-inclusive growth with strategic planning.



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# Government Policy Landscape to Overcome Challenges

India on the path of holistic growth came across several challenges for which the Indian government has amended various constitutional acts and provisions while updating the policy landscape through revolutionary initiatives and programs by focussing on diverse issues like climate change, social development, urbanization, economic growth, etc boosting development and advancement in various sectors.

## Major Government Initiatives Since 2014

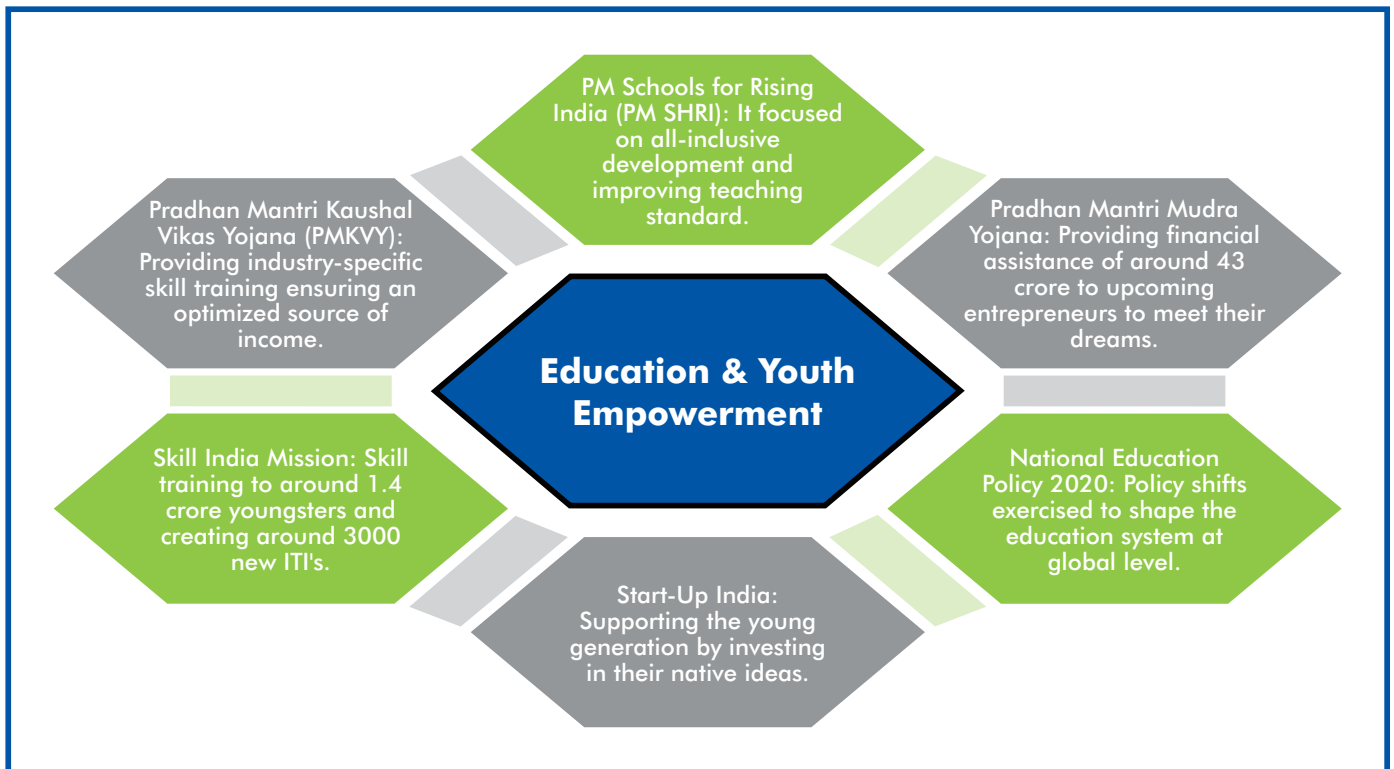
Make In India	Digital India	Atmanirbhar Bharat	Swacch Bharat Abhiyan	UDYAM Portal
Paradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna	National Logistic Policy	Unified Payment Interface	Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna	New Education Policy, 2020
Production Linked Incentive Scheme	LiFE Mission	FAME Scheme	National Infrastructure Pipeline	SMART Cities Mission

The commitment of the government has impacted various sectors and domains of life.

## Initiatives for citizens

Pradhan Mantri - JANMAN Yojana	This initiative focussed on the tribal groups in vulnerable condition neglected in previous times.
Pradhan Mantri - KISAN SAMMAN Yojana	This scheme was launched to support around 11.8 crore farmers who ensures food security.
Pradhan Mantri - SVANidhi	The scheme benefitted around 78 lakh citizens by providing financial assistance who run their businesses as street vendors.
Pradhan Mantri - Vishwakarma Yojana	This initiative focuses on the broad 18 diverse categories of the trade by supporting the underlying artist and craft peoples.
Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana	This scheme provided crop insurance to around 4 crore farmers.
Pradhan Mantri - Jan Dhan Yojana	By creating Jan Dhan accounts government made huge savings by enabling direct transfers to around 34 crore citizens.
Electronic National Agriculture Market	This revolutionary initiative integrates around 1361 mandis subsequently boosting commerce volume and impacting around 1.8 crore farmers.





### Women Empowerment

- The government has invested a lot to overcome challenges for women's upliftment.
- 'SWATI' Portal to Represent Women in STEMM
- Boosted female enrolment in higher education like STEM courses.
- Mudra Yojana loans for women entrepreneurs: Elevating the level of entrepreneur women's.

This has enabled India to mark a global presence by overcoming various challenges with a vision to witness Viksit Bharat submerged in the pool of harmony and prosperity for our citizens.

1,35,676	24,858	26,563	51,421	13,71,728	6,106
SWACHH BHARAT	SWACHH BHARAT	SWACHH BHARAT	SWACHH BHARAT	SWACHH BHARAT	SWACHH BHARAT
Pledges Taken	Challenges Taken	Activities Done	Active Participants	Contributed Hours	Pakhwada Activities

Source: <https://swachhbharat.mygov.in/>

The overall efforts of the government show good intentions to overcome challenges witnessing a viable and prosperous economy while safeguarding the beautiful planet 'Earth' to sustain human life.

# 08 Way Forward

India has put its best foot forward to place itself as the third largest economy in the world with a GDP target of US\$ 5 trillion in the coming 3 years i.e. by 2027. In the 'Amrit Kaal' of the Indian economy the nation is ready to thrive as a developed nation by 2047 with people participation and purposeful government policy reforms countering challenges at the minutest level covering districts to the Gram Sabhas.

The citizen-friendly ease of doing business initiatives and vibrant growth of the startup ecosystem powered through technology are going to play a vital role in India's growth in these path-breaking years by leveraging the power of its vast domestic market.

With significant advancements in the priority areas to fuel the economy's growth, the government is focussing on skilling, improved learning outcomes, secure energy transition, and gender balance in work opportunities. The nation has further set its goal to become a US\$ 7 trillion economy by 2030 while keeping a close watch on inflation, macroeconomic stability, and exchange rate while fulfilling the aspirations of Indian citizens to sustain a balanced quality of life in a safe and healthy environment.



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Judging by its macroeconomic indicators, the Indian economy performed well during 2023. In January 2024, the country's National Statistical Office estimated that the growth in India's real GDP would be 7.3 percent during the 2023–24 financial year — the highest among the major economies.

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