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Earth Security Brief - Indian Insurance and Sustainable Development

The report 'Indian Insurance and Sustainable Development' has been developed as part of a project jointly undertaken by FICCI and ESG to understand the role that Indian Insurance industry can play towards sustainable development in India with special reference to the agriculture and energy sectors. The brief identifies key areas of risk from climate change for insurance companies in the Indian market, highlights a set of product and investment opportunities for insurance companies to de-risk climate resilient investments in the energy and agriculture sectors that can help mitigate their climate change exposure, and projects the future prospects for insurance solutions in India. The report has presented six business ideas and explained how insurance companies can provide new types of insurance products and risk guarantees to agriculture and energy sectors, and as institutional investors how insurance firms can invest their own capital to help sustainable energy and agriculture projects scale.

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Delivering a Sustainable Financial System in India

India has set ambitious goals for inclusive and sustainable development, which require the mobilisation of additional low-cost, long-term capital. The report, titled Delivering a Sustainable Financial System in India, shows how the country is already introducing innovative approaches to attract private capital for green assets – and outlines a number of key steps to deepen this process in India. The Report also profiles the actions that have been taken to advance environmental and social factors as a core part of India's banking, capital markets, investment and insurance sectors. It was jointly produced by FICCI and the UNEP Inquiry into the Design of a Sustainable Financial System, backed by a high-level India advisory council.

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Urban Wastewater Public-Private Partnerships: White Paper

India has long felt the need for a policy, regulatory, and institutional framework supporting circular and economically viable wastewater management models, which encourage private sector participation and financing. These elements are crucial to improve the efficacy of sewerage services through superior delivery mechanisms and innovative technologies.

The White Paper on Urban Wastewater PPPs has been developed as a joint collaboration between the FICCI Water Mission and the 2030 Water Resources Group (2030 WRG), to provide the industry perspective on issues affecting PPP projects in the urban wastewater sector, suggesting measures to improve the investment climate for these projects at the national, state and municipal levels and enhance reuse of treated wastewater.

The Paper advocates for governments, both at the national and state levels, to focus on improvement in the quality of sewerage services in the country through Public-Private (Community) Partnerships (PP(C)P), over and above private sector participation as a means to bridge the investment gap.

The Paper is an outcome of extensive stakeholder consultations with industry participants, water and wastewater utilities, government agencies and financiers.

It recommends a three level payment security mechanism which involves ring fencing of sewerage revenues at the local government/state utility level, followed by funding support from the state government through a separate State Sanitation Fund, and backstopped by a guarantee facility from the Government of India. It also suggests that the country needs to move to a regime where sewerage charges at least cover O&M expenses.

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FICCI-E&Y Report: Role of Corporates in road safety

In today's fast paced world, it has become an inevitable challenge to reach ones workplace on time. Many employees indulge in unsafe driving practices such as over speeding, crossing stop signs, multi-tasking while driving, using phone while driving and so on. The increased unsafe driving practices, not only render roads unsafe for the driver but also for the citizens around him/ her. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) report on Global Status Report on Road Safety 2015, more than 1.2 million people die each year on the roads, with millions more sustaining serious injuries and living with long term adverse health consequences. Globally, road traffic crashes are leading cause of death among young people, and the main cause of death among those aged 15–29 years.

The road safety issues directly impact growth of multinational and large national corporations operating in various sectors. The productivity and supply chain such as transportation of goods, raw material and products, furnishing goods to market, and ensuring employee attendance is all dependent on safe and efficient transport. The initiatives and the roadmap for corporate organizations are discussed in detail in this paper. The seriousness of the issue requires efforts from corporate entities to educate their employees and prepare policies favoring road safety.

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FICCI KPMG - Indian Media and Entertainment Industry Report 2016

The year 2015 was a seminal year in many ways for the Media and Entertainment (M&E) industry. A year that sparked excitement and renewed hope but at the same time a year in which reality came to roost. This was a year in which the global economy saw a big drop in commodity prices, with crude oil dropping. While this volatility is disturbing many economies around the world, lower commodity prices, lower inflation and lower borrowing costs are likely to drive consumerism in the country – benefitting the media industry. For the M&E industry, the year was a mixed bag. Coming off the heady days of 2014, when election spending and renewed hope drove a significant level of media spend, 2015 was a year of settling in, rolling up one's sleeves and getting down to task. A healthy advertising environment propelled several parts of the industry to unprecedented growth. However, some parts of the industry – like film and print – continue to see challenges. Television again performed very well, several new channel launches and the industry's adoption of a brand new ratings system – Broadcast Audience Research Council (BARC). The cable industry too, awoke to the potential of broadband and the year saw several companies restructure and raise funds from private equity or through listings. Radio in India remains an industry with a very bright future, with double digit growth rates forecast – at least for the next five years.

Sectors such as films & print faced some challenges. Hindi Bollywood was flat while Hollywood and regional performed well. Despite growing regional cinema & the tremendous success of Baahubali - a bi-lingual film, the long-term growth for the film industry is expected to remain challenging. Print too, continued to face some headwinds, especially with critical categories like real estate and education limiting ad spends. The technology disruption is likely to come to this industry, albeit slowly, as social media and mobile applications (apps) expand their language offerings. However, this year, the Indian print sector saw cover prices being raised across several publications – still remaining among the lowest in the world – but at the same time, overcoming its historical aversion to increases. This helped sustain some growth in revenue overall.

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Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index: A Toolkit for Organizations to promote Inclusiveness of Persons with Disabilities

The Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan) was launched by the Prime Minister on 3rd December 2015 on the occasion of International Day for Persons with Disabilities, as a nationwide flagship campaign for achieving universal accessibility for Persons with Disabilities and to create an enabling and barrier free environment. Under the campaign, an 'Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index' has been launched on 30th March 2016 through which industries and corporates can voluntarily evaluate their readiness for making the workplace accessible for persons with disabilities. The Index has been developed by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India in collaboration with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI). The Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index is a service being extended to the industry to participate in the Campaign by voluntarily evaluating their readiness for making the workplace accessible for Persons with Disability and creating a development plan. The Index is a set of benchmarks that has been structured in a four level maturity model. The Toolkit based on the model assists companies, irrespective of size and scale, in identifying their level of preparedness and gives an action plan for building their accessibility.

Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index will help organizations

- Benchmark against best practices.
- Take progressive steps to increase support, inclusiveness and accessibility.
- Fully utilize diverse talent pool.
- Reduce employee turnover, increase employee loyalty and increase morale and productivity of other employees in the organization.
- Create a positive brand image.
- Expand customer base through new products and services.
- Enhance shareholder value.
- Above all, the Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index shall promote human dignity and social cohesion where all citizens of the society have access to equal opportunities to fully realize their potential.

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FICCI-KOAN Knowledge Paper Roadmap for a Future Ready Naval Force

FICCI and KOAN published a Knowledge paper 'Roadmap for a Future Ready Naval Force' which was based on the Theme and has covered each and every session of seminar. The knowledge paper was vetted by the officers of Indian Navy and has helped FICCI-Indian Navy to remain focused on technological discourse. The knowledge paper is arranged in following sections:

- Introduction.
- Naval Missile and Gun Technology.
- Propulsion and Power Generation: Diesel and Gas.
- Surveillance and Detection Systems.
- Futuristic Torpedoes and Directed Energy Weapons.
- Submarines and Anti-Submarine Warfare.
- Naval Aviation and Future Technologies.
- Network Centric Warfare and Combat Management Systems.
- Futuristic Trends in Nuclear and Electric Propulsion and.
- Power Generation Technologies

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A Report on Plastic Industry January 2016

Plastics constitute a very important segment of Indian economy and are a facilitator of a large number of industries. The sector has been growing at a very good pace at above 10% for the past many years and is also highly employment intensive. With a turnover of above Rs.85,000 crores and employing above 4.0 million persons it is making good contribution to the national economy. The plastics industry continues to break into newer spheres of industry, thereby enabling Indian industry churn out products that are lighter and cost-effective. The sector has huge unrealized potential, as indicated by the present very low per capita consumption levels in the country compared to the global levels. The report D25 indicates that the Indian plastics industry is likely to witness high growth over the next five years. The growth will primarily be driven by end-user segments such as packaging, food and beverage, construction, electronics, etc. Fast-tracked globalization, swift change in technology and growing consumerism have brought with it sweeping changes and abundant opportunities for plastic industry to grow domestically and globally. The sector is expected to continue to grow for the coming decade @10%.

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FICCI Compendium of Best Practices in SMART Policing

FICCI Compendium of Best Practices in SMART Policing was also released, which captures SMART Policing initiatives and practices across India. This compendium documents only those entries that have received the 'FICCI SMART Policing Awards', and list the entries that were received in the course of the selection process. These best practices could be replicated by other institutions across the country. The compendium will be useful to policymakers, experts, practitioners and the public at large, and will help in raising awareness about SMART police initiatives.

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Trends in Gulf Demographics and Labour Migration (focus on Bahrain)

The paper 'Trends in Gulf Demographics and Labour Migration', was written for and presented at the IISS Bahrain India Forum (on the 6th of April, 2015) examines the relationship that India shares with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries with a particular focus on India-Bahrain relations. Movement of labour is a critical aspect of this relationship. The trends in the economy and nationalisation of the workforce have repercussions for future movements. However, this paper presents how this relationship vis-à-vis labour movement can be enhanced. It also presents a plan for the way forward with employers' perspectives and the direction that governments of both countries may take.

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The Politics of Migration: Indian Emigration in a Globalized World (Routledge, 2015)

The book 'The Politics of Migration: Indian Emigration in a Globalized World', studies the politics surrounding Indian emigration from the 19th century to the present day. Bringing together data and case studies from across five continents, it moves beyond economic and social movers of migration, and explores the role of politics-both local and global-in shaping diaspora at a deeper level. The book argues that India's emigration policy and indeed its Diaspora engagement policy has evolved with an active involvement of emigrants themselves making a strong case for the need for a more nuanced and strategic dimension to Diaspora engagement.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Seminar on 'ICT Solutions for Digital and Smart Gujarat'

May 16, 2016, Ahmedabad

Workshop on Finance for Non Finance Professionals

May 19-20, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

Global MICE Travel Mart (GMTM)

May 19-21, 2016, New Delhi

Seminar on 'ICT Solutions for Digital and Smart Telangana'

May 20, 2016, Hyderabad

Smart City Conclave

May 21, 2016, Udaipur

Africa - India Partnership Day

May 24, 2016, Lusaka, Zambia

FICCI Urban Infrastructure & Smart Cities Delegation

May 30-Jun 04, 2016, Berlin, Munich and Brussels

Legal Requirements related to Environment, Health and Safety based on ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001 Management System

May 30-31, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

Workshop on Mineral Concession Rules 2016

Jun 01, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

Indo-German Manager Training Programme (IGMTP)

Jun 01, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

FICCI Business Delegation to Hungary Coinciding with 4th India-Hungary JEC

Jun 02-03, 2016, Budapest, Hungary

IRCA UK Approved ISO 22000:2005 Food Safety Management Systems (FSMS) Lead Auditor Training Program

Jun 06-10, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

IRCA UK Approved ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems (QMS) Auditor/Lead Auditor Training Program

Jun 20-24, 2016, New Delhi

Call for application for the FICCI Corporate Social Responsibility Awards 2015-2016

Jul 15, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi

2nd FICCI's Business Delegation visit to Republic of Armenia

Jul 15-19, 2016, Yerevan, Armenia

Sixth National Agrochemicals Conference - 2016

Jul 19, 2016, New Delhi

FIBAC

Aug 16 -17, Mumbai

MASSMERIZE

Aug 30, 2016, Mumbai

FICCI HEAL 2016: 'Re-engineering Indian Healthcare'

Aug 31-Sep 01, 2016, FICCI, New Delhi



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