



International Financial Services Centre

A Financial & Technology Gateway of India



About: GIFT City and IFSC

A Greenfield Smart City developed on 886 Acres of land

Developed by Government of Gujarat and supported by Govt. of India

The financial gateway of India for inbound & outbound investment



"GIFT City IFSC- Gujarat, ranked 1st amongst top 15 Global Financial Centre that will become more significant and 1st in Reputational Advantage" based on the report issued by The Global Financial Centres Index, 28 September 2020 Issue

Government of India operationalized GIFT City as an IFSC in 2015



















Global Benchmarking Integrated Development

Strong

Promoters

Central **Business Hub** India's 1st IFSC

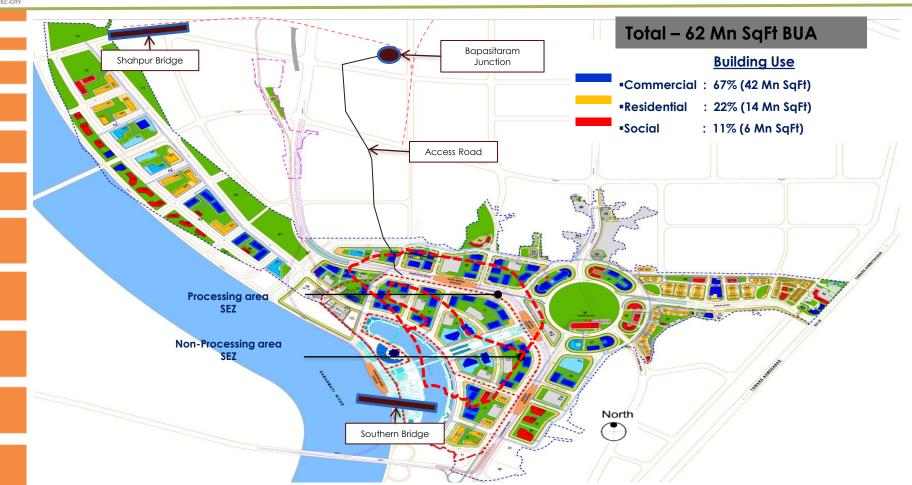
State of the Art Infrastructure

Strategic Location Ease of Doing business

India's 1st Operational Smart City & IFSC



Master Plan





State of Art Infrastructure







International Financial Services Centre at GIFT City

 In India, an IFSC is approved and regulated by the Government of India under the Special Economic Zones Act, 2005

IFSC in India

- Government of India has approved GIFT City as a Multi Services Special Economic Zone ('GIFT SEZ') and has also notified this zone as India's **IFSC**
- The launch of the IFSC at GIFT City is the first step towards bringing financial services transactions relatable to India, back to Indian shores
- IFSC unit is treated as a non-resident under extant Foreign Exchange Management regulations



Overview - IFSC

BUSINESS ACTIVITIES



BANKS

- Indian banks
- Foreign banks



CAPITAL MARKET

- Stock/Commodity
 Exchanges
- Clearing Corporation
- Depository
- Broker Dealer



ASSET MANAGEMENT

- Alternate Investment Fund
- Investment Advisers
- Wealth Management
- Portfolio Manager
- Custodial Services



- Indian Insurer
- Indian Reinsurer
- Indian Broker
- Foreign Insurer
- Foreign Reinsurer



Other Financial

Institutions

- Finance Company
- Global Corporate Treasury Centre
- International Trade Finance
 Services Platform



Emerging Activities

- Global Fintech Hub
- Global inhouse centres
- International Bullion Exchange
- Aircraft Leasing & Financing
- Ship Leasing & Financing
- Ancillary Services/Professional Service Providers



COMPETITIVE TAX REGIMEOverview - IFSC

- 100% Tax Exemption (for 10 out of 15 years)
- Minimum Alternate Tax* @ 9%
- No CTT**/STT**/GST**/Stamp Duty
- No Capital Gain Tax
- Withholding tax @4% on interest paid on Debt Instruments
- Competitive AIF Tax Regime
- Incentives under Gujarat IT/ITes Policy (2022-27)

^{*} MAT provisions not applicable for companies opting for concessional tax rate under Sec. 115 BAA of Income Tax Act, 1961
**CTT- Commodity Transaction Tax, STT- Securities Transaction Tax, GST- Goods and Service Tax





IFSCA: New Regulatory Architecture

IFSC Regulations Benchmarked with International Best Practices

IFSCA (Banking) Regulations 2020 IFSCA (Bullion Exchange) Regulations 2020 IFSCA (Global In-House) Regulations 2020 Regulatory Sandbox Framework for FinTech 2020 IFSCA (Issuance and Listing of Securities) Regulations, 2021

IFSCA (Finance Company) Regulations, 2021 IFSCA (Market Infrastructure Institutions)
Regulations 2021

Framework For Aircraft Leasing and Finance 2021 Framework for Ancillary Services 2021 Framework for Global Corporate Treasury Centres in IFSC 2021

Framework for setting up International Trade Financing Services Platform (ITFS) 2021

IFSCA Banking Handbook 2021 IFSCA (Capital Market Intermediaries) Regulations, 2021 IFSCA
(Registration of Insurance Business)
Regulations, 2021

IFSCA(Insurance Intermediary) Regulations, 2021





GIFT IFSC - New Destination for Global In-House Centers



GIFT IFSC – GIC Industry

GIC Regulations

Tax Benefits

Gujarat IT/ITeS Policy

Talent and Infrastructure Why GICs are considering IFSC

IFSCA GIC Regulations 2020



Eligibility Criteria

- 1. Entity belonging to a financial services group eligible to set up a GIC in IFSC
- 2. 'Financial services group' to include:
 - An entity that is regulated by a financial services regulator or any competent body regulating financial service activity
 - Includes its holding, subsidiary or associate companies, branch, or subsidiary of a holding company to which it is also a subsidiary
- 3. Exclusively serve group entities located in FATF compliant jurisdiction
- 4. Purpose to carry out financial service in respect of financial products
- 5. Services only to non-resident entities

FEMA

Regarded as non-resident from Indian exchange control perspective

Relocation of employees

- Relocation from Indian establishment subject to exception
 - Supervisory personnel permitted to be transferred
 - subject to maximum of 20% with prior approval of the IFSCA

Mode, Approval and Fees

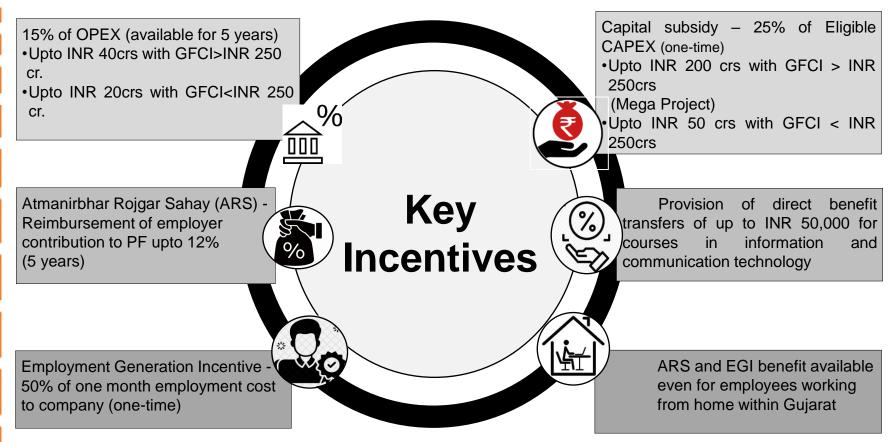
- Setup as Company or LLP or Branch or any other form of entity
- Approval required from IFSCA as well as SEZ authorities



Annual membership fee ranging from USD 5,000 to USD 10,000



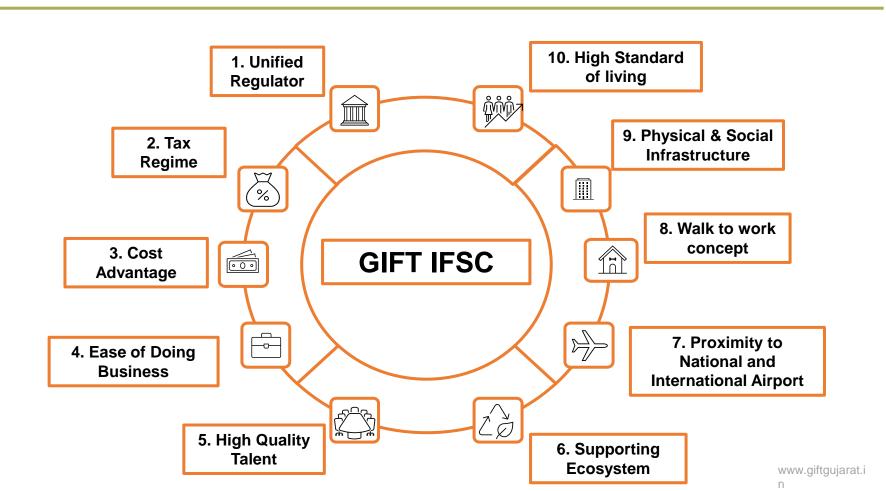
Government of Gujarat IT/ITeS Policy (2022-27)



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Key Benefits of office at GIFT City



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