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TARIFF FUTURE

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I do believe that there will be a resolution in the next couple of months on the penal tariff and hopefully on the reciprocal tariffs

Signals from Fed

The big trigger for FPIs would be additional rate cuts by the US central bank

HE US FEDERAL Reserve's 25 basis point (bps) cut in the overnight funds rate—the first in nine months—was widely anticipated and priced in by the markets. The cut signalled the Fed's intention to support the deteriorating labour markets and a willingness to look through modest breaches in the inflation target. The action suggests a focus on risk management amidst a deceleration in economic growth in the first half of the year and efforts to keep employment levels stable. What central bankers across the global will watch closely, over the next few months, are the trends in the US labour market and the US economy because any meaningful slowdown would impact global growth and trade.

The Fed's commentary was dovish with two additional rate cuts signalled for CY2025. From India's perspective, there are no real cues here for the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) which has already cut the repo by 100 bps. Even otherwise, rate cycles between developed and developing economies are not so much in sync these days. While the US dollar strengthened after the Fed's rate cut announcement, in general the greenback has been depreciating. The weakening dollar has, in fact, allowed both the RBI and other emerging market (EM) central banks to focus less on their currencies and enjoy policy flexibility on rates. Had the dollar appreciated, the EM central bankers may have needed to act in some manner. The rupee's fairly sharp fall on Thursday of 31 paise against the dollar to 88.1275 should be seen against the backdrop of selling by foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) and sluggish net foreign direct investment. With little support, the Indian currency has depreciated by about 3% over the past three months. There is also some concern that US tariffs would impact India's exports to that country. The good news is that crude oil prices remain benign.

US treasuries rallied after the Fed's announcement with yields briefly slipping below the 4% mark, but reversed their gains leaving the yields higher at around 4.09%. For India's fixed income markets, the domestic factors are more relevant though the Fed's move provides marginal support. Since it could take a while to evaluate the potential impact of tariffs, the goods and services (GST) tax rate cuts, and the income tax cuts, rate cuts may be deferred until December. Despite a 100 bps rate cut by the RBI, bonds continue to sell off leaving yields elevated; the benchmark yield closed at 6.51 on Thursday, up 4 bps. While local banks have slowed down their bond purchases, and anticipated that the rate cutting cycle is close to ending, FPI appetite has been lukewarm after the index inclusion last year.

The equity markets are rejoicing as they anticipate fresh foreign flows following an increased allocation to EM funds. However, while India's valuation premium has certainly narrowed vis-à-vis countries such as China, FPIs are waiting for companies to report better earnings growth. The savings from income tax cuts and the GST rate cuts are expected to boost consumption, but the question is whether demand will sustain beyond the festive season. The uncertainty over US tariffs is also weighing on the sentiment but a speedy and favourable resolution should spur buying by foreign funds as it would mean jobs being saved. The big trigger for FPIs, though, would be the additional rate cuts by the Fed.

HUMAN CAPITAL

IPOs REFLECT INDIA'S ECONOMIC STRENGTH, BUT DISCOUNTING PEOPLE RISKS CAN LEAD TO ADVERSE OUTCOMES

An emerging IPO powerhouse

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NDIA HAS EMERGED as one of the most dynamic inintial public offering (IPO) markets in the world. In the first half of 2025 alone, Indian companies raised over \$6.7 billion through public listings, surpassing the IPO proceeds from all of 2024. July stood out as the busiest month, with more than a dozen firms collectively raising over ₹10,000 crore and marquee names like NSDL, Travel Food Services, and Anthem Biosciences commanding strong investor interest. With over ₹25,000 crore worth of IPOs still in the pipeline including big names such as Tata Capital, PhonePe, and Meesho, India is not just participating in the global IPO race, it's leading it.

This surge is underpinned by strong economic fundamentals. India remains the fastest-growing major economy, with a projected GDP growth rate of 6.8% for FY25. Capital markets have deepened significantly, retail investor participation has grown exponentially, and regulatory bodies have streamlined IPO approvals to encourage more private enterprises to go public. But as attractive as these macro conditions are, going public is not just a financial transaction, it is a fundamental cultural transformation.

An IPO represents a shift from founder-led agility to institution-driven accountability. Companies face not just quarterly reporting pressures but also heightened expectations from regulators, investors, and analysts. There is greater scrutiny on environmental, social, and governance performance, governance maturity, and risk disclosures. In this context, Indian companies preparing to list must look beyond valuation and investor excitement. They must evaluate whether they are organisationally, culturally, and strategically ready for life as a public company.

India's transformation into a global IPO hub is rooted in macroeconomic stability and investor confidence. With inflation moderating, a stable interest rate regime, and a thriving start-up ecosystem, global and domestic capital is increasingly

flowing into Indian equities. The government's push for formalisation and digitisation has enabled a pipeline of scalable, tech-driven businesses ready for capital markets. India's robust regulatory environment and high levels of investor liquidity have further catalysed this momentum. Additionally, Indian firms often enjoy high valuations driven by growth prospects, making IPOs an attractive option for founders and early investors.

Despite this favourable climate, IPObound Indian firms must exercise cau-

tion. A secondary research of c.100 organisations listed on India's stock exchanges since 2022 indicates a different story. About 47% of the listed organisations are trading below their listing price and only 42% have outperformed the benchmark index.

IPO success depends as much on people as it does on numbers. The shift from a

private to a public company is a gear change in culture. Indian employees must understand the impact of this transition on their roles, incentives, and accountability.Leadership must model a mindset of transparency and consistency, and internal communication becomes critical to manage expectations and change fatigue.

Several challenges typically surface during IPO readiness. Founders may struggle to balance their entrepreneurial instincts with the expectations of public governance. Executive compensation often falls short of public market norms, potentially causing confusion or even employee attrition. Since 2022, 19% of organisations have seen at least one key management personnel leave within the first six months of listing. This figure more than doubles to 49% within 24 months of the IPO. Board-level movement follows a similar trend—6% companies experience the resignation of at least one board member within six months of listing, rising to 28% within two years. Such departures can unsettle investors, disrupt strategic continuity, and stress the need for welldesigned retention initiatives and succes-

sion frameworks to maintain leadership continuity post-IPO. The cultural shift Since 2022, 19% of from a fast-paced, innovaorganisations have tion-driven mindset to one seen at least one focused on measured perkey management formance and rigorous governance can lead to personnel leave frustration, if not managed within the first six effectively. Even then in months of listing many cases, succession planning is a check in the

box item for the nomina-

tion and remuneration committee with little to no effort on identifying and developing successors for critical positions.

Organisations that succeed post-IPO invest early in aligning their people strategy with long-term business goals. This includes conducting comprehensive diagnostics to assess cultural readiness, redesigning total rewards and performance management systems, and implementing succession planning and leadership development programmes to support scalable governance. Building internal change management teams is also essential to help the organisation nav-

igate the transition smoothly and sustain momentum beyond the listing. Of the 53% of the listed organisations

that have a positive stock movement, c. 45% of them have implemented a long term-incentive plan as a retention measure within one year from the date of IPO. Of the 30% organisations where stock price decreased by over 20%, only 20% of them have introduced a long-term incentive plan within one year of the date of IPO.

The IPO frenzy in the US and Southeast Asia during 2020-2022 offers a cautionary tale. Many high-profile listings fal tered post-IPO due to poor planning, lack of internal readiness, and misaligned business models. Indian companies have the advantage of hindsight and must use it to their benefit.

Post-listing, the journey only begins. Sustaining investor trust, retaining key talent, maintaining a healthy culture, and evolving governance practices are ongoing imperatives. Indian public companies must continue to invest in upskilling, leadership continuity, and business resilience. A long-term view is critical, especially in a market such as India that rewards

consistency and clarity. India's rise as an IPO powerhouse is not accidental. It reflects economic strength, regulatory maturity, and the entrepreneurial spirit of its businesses. Going public is a once-in-a-lifetime event for an organisation and requires diligent planning and execution on many fronts. While rewarding, it is a cumbersome and complex process and discounting the people risks can derail the process or result in adverse financial outcomes post-IPO. There is no magic pill for a successful IPO. Identifying critical human capital issues in the context of an IPO and prioritising people strategies may help improve the prospects of a favourable experience and positive outcome in the longer run. For companies to thrive in public markets, they must do more than ride the wave and should not just see this as a funding mechanism, but as a proving ground for enduring value.

Why is China stocking up on so much oil?

THE BIG QUESTION troubling the energy market now is why China is stockpiling so much oil. In problem-solving, the principle of Occam's razor recommends searching for the simplest explanation. So perhaps the answer is as straightforward as "because it's cheap". Still, the conspiracy theorist in me says there's more to it.

China has purchased more than 150 million barrels—costing about \$10 billion at current prices—above its actual use so farthis year. For a country that buys more electric vehicles than anywhere else, that demands dissecting. The stockpiling was exceptionally high during the second quarter, when the International Energy Agency estimates China absorbed over 90% of the global stockpiling we can measure. That has helped support prices this year, and with the oil market forecast to move into a huge surplus, whether China continues its buying spree—and for how long—is crucial for 2026.

Here, we should admit what we don't know. At the annual Asia-Pacific Petroleum Conference last week in Singapore, oil traders agreed only that China has the capacity to store more crude. Beyond that, "nobody has a crystal ball about the duration of Chinese buying for its strategic storage", Ilia Bouchouev, a former oil trader and now a senior research fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies, recently said. Be sceptical of anyone claiming to know what the Chinese Communist Party plans. Instead, I'll offer some educated guesses about the factors at play. Importantly, Chinese policy is multidimensional, so several considerations are probably intertwined. Let's start with the simple explanations:

1) Opportunistic buying. Chinese commodity officials have demonstrated they

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are canny traders (look at their copper purchases, for example) with a very long-term view. And oil is cheap. In real terms, adjusted by the cumulative impact of inflation, West Texas Intermediate is changing hands at about the same price as 20 years ago. 2) The opportunity is moot if one lacks the capacity. For China, the timing was right:

Lots of storage has come online recently, and plenty more is available for 2026. Even now, about half of China's tanks and caverns are empty,

market estimates suggest.

3) China has introduced new rules that have effectively added to the storage needs. An energy law enacted on January 1 codifies for the first time strategic storage as a legal requirement for state-owned and private companies. Effectively, the state is sharing the responsibility of stockpiling with the commercial sector, setting the legal foundation for an increase in total oil inventories. That legal change isn't often discussed, but, anecdotally, it appears to have played a major role in the purchases.

Until here, William of Ockham, the 14th century Franciscan friar who made a mark on the scholarship of reasoning, would probably be proud. The three explanations are straightforward, and probably true. But, very

likely, there's more to it, including a bit of realpolitik, if not conspiracy theory. 4) China has understood that it needs to boost its oil security in a world where the US is wielding sanctions and tariffs willy-nilly. Today, China buys 20% of its oil from countries under US sanctions—chiefly Iran, Russia, and Venezuela. None can guarantee that the US would not be able to, at the very least, hinder that flow in the future. Building more stocks is only prudent. The only question is what's enough: Currently, China has inventories equal to 110 days of consumption. If the grapevine in Singapore is right, that could be extended to 140 to 180 days by 2026.

5) Does China fear an interruption in supply beyond US and European sanctions? Oil traders who traffic in intrigue utter only one word: Taiwan. For a significant minority in the oil market, the supplemental buying makes sense if Beijing is preparing for military conflict. In this view, the simplest explanation for the stockpiling is that it's gearing up for conflict. For them, Occam's razor marries easily with conspiracy.

6) China may see oil as an alternative to US Treasuries, a way to reduce its exposure to US assets. Putting, say, \$10 billion in 2025 in crude, and perhaps as much again in 2026, is a way to diversify its foreign reserves.

Put it all together, and it's difficult to avoid a conclusion: China will probably continue stockpiling oil in 2026 for commercial and strategic reasons, mopping up part of the expected global surplus. Whether one adheres to the Occam's razor or elaborate guesswork, Beijing has good reasons to store more oil.

The shifting sands of value

Today's value shifts

are unparalleled,

and value will come

to those who are



SANJEEV KRISHAN

Chairperson, PwC India

IN AN ERA defined by disruption, rapid technological changes and increasing fragmentation, the foundations of value are shifting. With the global landscape evolving at a rapid pace, businesses are being challenged in unprecedented ways. The frequency, intensity, and multifaceted nature of disruptions along with changing consumption patterns and regulatory concerns necessitate continuous vigilance. From AI writing code and creating full-fledged movies to digital ecosystems dissolving traditional industry boundaries, reinvention is reshaping the world as we know it. Traditional moats of incremental innovation and brand loyalty are eroding, forcing companies to rethink strategies, business models, and even core identities.

Product-centric companies are moving towards service-oriented models and service-centric companies toward product and platform-based models. Companies are not only diversifying revenue streams and embracing technology, but also partnering with technology providers, start-ups, and even competitors to build ecosystems that co-create value and improve access to new markets. As a result, value is no longer confined to traditional industry boundaries but is being created and captured in new and unexpected places.

Reinvention in the present

Let's take the automotive industry. With electric and autonomous vehicles gaining traction, value pools are shifting towards software and mobility services. Similarly, banks are being challenged by new entrants which are providing hyperpersonalised services. Companies are also exploring novel ways to monetise resources and byproducts in a more responsible

way. For instance, waste heat from a data centre warmed swimming pools during the 2024 Paris Olympics.

In other sectors, firms are leveraging bundling and product line expansion to capture more value. Telecom operators are combining data plans with OTT subscriptions and entering content creation. This isn't just a "combo pack" but a structural shift blurring the line between telecom and media houses. By subsidising entertainment, telecoms are stimulating data consumption, improving network utilisation, and mining existing accounts better.

Reinvention in the past

Shifting profit and value pools are not a new phenomenon—the changing mix of S&P 500 and other indices

is proof. However, the interconnectedness of these shifts demands rapid realignment and reinvention. Soap operas, which one could argue were the prec-

ursors to modern on-

proactive rather demand content, were than reactive originally sponsored by soap manufacturers to advertise en masse. Simi-

larly, the Michelin Star, today recognised as a prestigious restaurant rating mechanism, has its roots in an innovative campaign to boost tyre demand. Just as marketing strategies evolved to influence and respond to consumer behaviour, manufacturing has undergone transformative changes. In reference to Model T-an outcome of reinvention in manufacturing— Henry Ford famously stated, "Any colour the customer wants, as long as it's black." Au contraire, today's consumers expect the metaphorical "best of both worlds",

demanding hyper-personalised products and services. These consumers are more informed, connected, value-driven, novelty-seeking, and much more likely to give in to instant gratification than customers of the past.

Reinvention for the future

The evolution from mass production, marketing, and customer engagement to today's hyper-customisation reflects how businesses are continuously adapting both—how they create value and how they engage with consumers. With emerging technologies, democratisation of access, and increasing acceptance of technological integration with daily lives, the opportunities to innovate are immense.

Take the basic wristwatch, which some had written off as a casualty of the smartphone era. With evolving smart glasses, the internet of things, and augmented reality technologies, it is not far-fetched to wonder whether smartwatches may one daylead to smartphones receding into the background and even take over as smart

home hubs, identity cards, and many other devices.

Though fantastical, such ideas matter as they reveal a deeper truth—incumbents defending industry borders will compete with companies which shape value across traditional confines. Companies must rewire for speed, agility experimentation, and develop an appetite for risk. Hierarchies and silos must give way to crossfunctional operations and faster decisionmaking.Companies that experiment with new products and services and iterate

rapidly based on customer and market feedback will benefit.

and value will come to those who are

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in companies ceding value to players who enter

from the edge instead of the core

proactive rather than reactive. Incumbents must overcome organisational inertia, legacy systems, and cultural resistance to change. Emerging technologies such as quantum computing, blockchain, and advanced robotics will further disrupt existing value pools. Early signals of this are already emerging. For instance, auto companies are partnering with quantum computing players to improve battery chemistry and agricultural machinery manufacturers are reducing herbicide usage through machine learning. Thus, cultivating a mindset of continuous learning is critical. While regulatory pushback, privacy concerns, and slow consumer

adoption curves may impact outcomes,

hesitation to adopt new technologies and

exploring new value pools carries a greater

risk. Waiting for a new model to be

"proven" may result in companies ceding

value to players who enter from the edge

instead of the core. The message is clear—in a world where value is constantly being redefined, sustainable competitive advantage comes from the ability to anticipate, adapt, and innovate. The future belongs to those who are willing to challenge the status quo, experiment boldly, and place the customer at the heart of their strategy. We have entered an era shaped by new domains of growth where organisations work across boundaries to serve fundamental human needs—how we care, how we move, how we fuel, and so on. The sands of value may be shifting, but for those prepared the opportunities are limitless and it's time to look for growth in new places.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Innovation and tech upgrade for India Inc

Apropos of "How India Inc needs to transform" (FE, September 18), no doubt the various types of corporate structures serve as pillars of

economic growth as they draw massive investments resulting in large-scale production of goods and services. Continuous innovation and technological upgrade in production, ensuring quality, and good corporate governance will give corporate

entities a chance to gain leadership in markets and also potentially create a strong supply chain. They should take steps to prevent mismanagement. And irrespective of the model, and be it in the public or private sector, they must strive to achieve their objectives

as laid out in the memorandum of association, in consonance with the interests of shareholders, and as engines for economic growth for the nation.

—NR Nagarajan, Sivakasi

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LIABILITY OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMPANY: Limited by shares.

AMOUNT OF SHARE CAPITAL OF OUR COMPANY AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE: As on the date of the RHP, the authorised share capital of our Company is ₹220,000,000 divided into 110,000,000 Equity Shares of face value of ₹2 each. The issued, subscribed and paid-up Equity share capital of our Company is ₹171,492,230 divided into 85,746,115 Equity Shares of face value of ₹2 each. For details of the capital structure of the Company, see *Capital Structure* beginning on page 110 of the RHP.

NAMES OF THE INITIAL SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF THE COMPANY AND THE NUMBER OF EQUITY SHARES SUBSCRIBED BY THEM: The initial signatories of the Memorandum of Association of the Company were Sanjay Singhania, Leela Devi Bothra, Kankanwari Devi Bothra, Deen Dayal Singhania. For details of the share capital history and capital structure of our Company see "Capital Structure" beginning on page 110 of the RHP,

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SCHEME B - (Cumulative)

2. Particulars of the Deposit scheme

a. Date of passing of board resolution

members of the Company.

Minimum amount

of Deposit (₹)

25.000

25,000

25,000

Date of passing of resolution in the General Meeting

Type of deposits, i.e., whether secured or unsecured

Amount which the Company can raise by way of deposits as

per the Act and the rule made there under and the aggregate

of deposits actually held on the last day of the immediately

preceding financial year and on the date of issue of the Circular

or advertisement and amount of deposit proposed to be raised

Amount which the Company can raise by way of deposits from

Amount which the Company can raise by way of deposits from Public.

Deposit accepted by the Company as of 31st March 2025 from

Deposit accepted by the Company as of 31st March 2025 from Public.

Amount repaid/ refunds out of deposit accepted earlier during the

Amount of deposit repayable within next twelve months 31.03.2026

Deposit accepted by the Company from Members as of date of the

Deposit accepted by the Company from Public as of date of the

Deposits are proposed to be accepted for a term not exceeding 36 months

Pre-mature repayment less than 6 months does not carry any interest

Minimum Acceptable Deposit Rs.25.000/- and additional in multiples of Rs.1.000/-

SCHEME - A

Two Years

7.00%

SCHEME - B

Two Years

7.00%

1 Mode of Acceptance Cheque/Demand Draft/ ECS/NEFT

Reasons or objects of raising the To raise resources for meeting out

of the Company.

(ICRA) AA Stable

High credit-Quality

ICRA LTD.

5 Deposit accepted by the Company as at 31st March 2025

Amount of deposits proposed to be raised

period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025

Circular - 31.07.2025

Circular - 31.07.2025

Rate of interest (with effect from 01.08.2025)

Simple interest rate as applicable paid quarterly.

Interest rate as applicable compounded quarterly.

(3) Mode of Acceptence, Payment and Repayment

Mode of Payment

the date of opening of the Scheme

2. Time period for which the circular

or advertisement is valid: the date of

Annual General Meeting for the year

2025-26 OR 30.09.2026 whichever

3 Mode of Repayment

f. 1. Proposed time schedule mentioning

(Previous year: 29.08.2024)

h. I. Name of the Credit Rating Agencies

III. Meaning of the rating obtained

IV. Date on which rating was obtained

of the Insurance Company, terms of

the insurance coverage, duration of

coverage, extent of coverage, procedure

is earlier.

II. Rating obtained

Terms of raising of deposits:

One Year

6.50%

One Year

6.50%

Interest would be paid on maturity.

OCCUPATION

Industrialist

Service

Industrialist

Industrialist

Industrialist

Business

Industrialist

Doctor

Chartered

Accountant

Advocate

and amount of deposit repayable within the next twelve months

authorizing the invitation of such deposits

Amount payable

on Maturity (₹)

26665

28722

31243

INVITES FIXED DEPOSITS

FIXED DEPOSIT SCHEMES

Rate of interest per Annum (%)

Compounded Quarterly

6.50

7.00

7.50

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Documents for Inspection" on page 635 of the RHP.

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PUBLIC OFFER ACCOUNT BANK AND SPONSOR BANK: Axis Bank Limited

Selenium, Tower-B, Plot No. 31 and 32, Financial District Nanakramguda,

Telephone: +91 40 796 11000; E-Mail: epackprefab.ipo@kfintech.com

Website: www.kfintech.com; Investor grievance e-mail: einward.ris@kfintech.com

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For EPACK PREFAB TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED On behalf of the Board of Directors

Nikita Singh Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

EPACK PREFAB TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED is proposing, subject to receipt of requisite approvals, market conditions and other considerations, to make an initial public offer of its Equity Shares and has filed a red herring prospectus dated September 18, 2025 with the RoC. The RHP is made available on the website of the SEBI at www.sebi.gov.in as well as on the website of the BRLMs i.e., Monarch Networth Capital Limited at www.mnclgroup.com and Motilal Oswal Investment Advisors Limited at www.mseindia.com and the website of the Company at www.epackprefab.com. Any potential investor should note that investment in equity shares involves a high degree of risk and for details relating to such risks, please see the section "Risk Factors" beginning on page 42 of the RHP. Potential investors should not rely on the DRHP for making any investment decision but should only rely on the information included in the RHP filed by the Company with the RoC. This announcement is not an offer of securities for sale in the United States or elsewhere. This announcement has been prepared for publication in India only and is not for publication or distribution, directly or indirectly, in or into the United States. The Equity Shares offered in the Offer have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as

Place: Noida

Date: September 18, 2025

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LCB

1 Year

2 Years

3 Years

General Information:

Address

Website

Phone

1. Subsidiaries: LGB USA INC.

2. Units:

3. Branches:

Sri.B.Vijayakumar

Coimbatore 641 037.

Sri. Raiiv Parthasarathy

4 Smt Rajsri Vijayakumar

Sri.S. Sivakumar

Sri.G.D. Rajkumar

Coimbatore 641018

Dr Vinay Balaji Naidu

Sri Dinesh Kumar J

Chennai 600 040

in repayment

10 Smt Sadhana Vidhya Shankar

Plot No 1703, Sai Brindavan,

"Brindavan", 152, Kalidas Road,

Ramnagar, Coimbatore 641 009

Management's perception of risk factors:

33/24, Karpagamal Nagar,

Mylapore, Chennai 600004

33/24, Karpagambal Nagar,

Mylapore, Chennai 600 004

Smt. Kanchana Manavalan

Old No. 65, No. 46, Bharathi Park,

7th Cross, Coimbatore - 641 011

12/6. Main Road, Thirumurthy Nagar,

Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 034.

1068, Avinashi Road, Opp. President Hall,

Anugraha, 1996/1, M R Garden, Trichy

Road, Singanallur, Coimbatore 641005

35th Street, I Block, Anna Nagar West,

impact the demand for our products as well as profitability.

Sri.P Prabakaran

NO

LGB STEEL PVT LTD..

SCHEME A - (Non Cumulative)

Rate of interest per Annum

(%) Payable Quarterly

6.50

7.00

7.50

FORM DPT - 1

CIRCULAR OR CIRCULAR IN THE FORM OF ADVERTISEMENT INVITING DEPOSITS

[Pursuant to section 73 (2) (a) and section 76 and rule 4(1) and 4(2) of the

Companies (Acceptance of Deposits) Rules, 2014]

M/s. L G Balakrishnan & Bros Limited

Ganapathy Post, Coimbatore 641 006

The Company is engaged in manufacturing of automotive Parts and accessories.

Ahmednagar, D. Gudalur, Kadathur, Nagpur, Pongalur, Annur, Ellapalayam,

Karur, Neemrana, Rudrapur, Bangalore, Ganapathy, Kunnathur, P Palayam,

Saravanampatty, Chakan, Hosur, Kushkera, Pant Nagar, Sathyamangalam,

Chennai, Jalna, Manesar, PG Pudur, Trichy Road, Chinnavedampatti, K Palayam,

Ahmedabad, Gurgaon, Jodhpur, Mysore, Ranchi, Chennai, Ghaziabad, Kanpur.

Nagpur, Secunderabad, Cochin, Hubli, Kozhikode, Patna, Surat, Coimbatore,

Indore, Kolkata, Pune, Vijayawada, Cuttack, Jabalpur, Ludhiana, Rajkot,

The Company being managed by Executive Chairman with the assistance by Managing e.

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(II) Subsidiaries and details of branches / Units of the Company

CIN: L29191TZ1956PLC000257

6/16/13, Krishnarayapuram Road

The circular or circular in the form of advertisement shall contain the following:

www.lgb.co.in

: 0422 2532325

B. Date of Incorporation of the Company: 24/03/1956

C. (I) Business carried on by the Company.

Mysore, Pondicherry, Vaiyampalayam

Varanasi, Delhi, Jaipur, Madurai, Raipur

E. Names, addresses, DIN and occupations of the Directors

NAME AND ADDRESS

Flat No. B302, Sreevatsa Shreyas

Apartment, New Damu Nagar, Behind

Anandhas Hotel, Pappanaickenpalayam,

A15. Avinash Apartment, Bharathi Colony,

Peelamedu, Coimbatore 641 004.

Director under the supervision and control of the Board of Directors.

D. Brief particulars of the management of the Company:

A. Name, Address, Website and other contact details of the Company:

एसजेवीएन लिमिटेड SJVN Limited (भारत सरकार एवं हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार का संयुक्त उपक्रम) (A Joint Venture of Govt. of India & Govt. of H.P.) नवरत्न सीपीएसई A Navratna CPSE CIN No. L40101HP1988GOI008409

ADVERTISEMENT FOR EMPANELMENT OF INQUIRY OFFICERS

SJVN Limited, a Navratna CPSE under administrative control of Ministry of Power, Govt. of India, invites applications from retired Officers of Central Govt. /State Govt., not below the rank of Deputy Secretary in Central Govt. and equivalent rank in the State Govt. and officers superannuated at E8 level (Pay Scale Rs. 1,20,000 - Rs. 2,80,000/-) or equivalent pre-revised scale and above in Schedule 'A' CPSEs, for empanelment as Inquiry Officer to conduct Departmental Inquiries in SJVN Ltd. (as and when required). For further details, please visit the career section of company

website https://sjvn.nic.in DGM (Recruitment), Corporate HR Department,

SJVN Limited, Corporate Head Quarters, Shanan, Shimla, H.P-171006

Period

1 Year

2 Years

3 Years

Deposits will be Accepted/ Renewed in multiples of Rs. 1000/- subject to a minimum of Rs. 25,000/-

उदयपुर विकास प्राधिकरण, राजस्थान

No. :- F-2(01)Acct/Contract/2025-26/150 - 152 Date :- 16/09/2025 अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सचना संख्या : 41/2025-26 उदयपुर विकास प्राधिकरण, उदयपुर द्वारा निम्नलिखित कार्यो मय डिफेक्ट लाईबिलिर्ट

अवधि के लिये जो कि निविदा प्रपत्र में अंकित है के लिये उपयुक्त श्रेणी में पंजीकृत संवेदको र निर्धारित प्रपत्र में ईं–टेण्डरिंग के माध्यम से ऑनलाईन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है :– निविदा कार्यों की कल लागत रूपये 1271.13 लाख (02 कार्य)

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ऑनलाईन निविदा प्रपत्र डाउनलोड / अपलोड करने की अवधि	: 18.09.2025 को प्रात: 10.00 बजे से 01.10.2025 को सांय: 6.00 बजे तक
Online EMD, Tender Fee & Processing	: 18.09.2025 को प्रातः 10.00 बजे से
Fee जमा कराने की तिथी	01.10.2025 को सांयः 6.00 बजे तक
ऑनलाईन निविदा खोलने की तिथी	: 03.10.2025 को प्रांत: 11:00 बजे (तकनीकी बिड

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उदयपर विकास प्राधिकरण राज.संवाद/सी/25/10360

Effective Yield

Amount payable

6.66

7.44

8.32

31.07.2025

10.09.2015

(Rs. in Lakhs)

17,719.91

44,299.77

1,205.00

231.32

1.436.32

4,000.00

1.621.74

294.90

1.257.00

Three Years

7.50%

Three Years

7.50%

Cheque/Demand Draft/ ECS/NEFT

Cheque/Demand Draft/ ECS/NEFT

current requirement of the business

3. Details of any Outstanding deposits as at

31.07.2025:

c. Total amount accepted

a. Amount Outstanding

b. Date of Acceptance

One Year Two Years Three Ye
7.00% 7.50% 8.009

7.00% 7.50% **Total Number of Depositors** Default, if any, in repayment of deposits and payment of interest

thereon, if any, including number of depositors, amount and duration of

default involved

Any waiver by the depositors, of interest accrued on deposits

4. FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY: a) Profits of the company, before and after making provision for tax, for the

UNSECURED three financial years immediately preceding the date of issue of circular or

Profit before Tax (Rs in Lakhs) | Profit After Tax (Rs in Lakhs)

2022-23	33,546.61	24,769.58
2023-24	36,257.23	26,950.33
2024-25	39,053.42	29,066.21
(i) Dividen	d declared by the company in respe	ect of the said three financial years
V	Dividend (De Den Obene)	D'-141 (0/)
Year	Dividend (Rs. Per Share)	Dividend (%)
Year 2022-23	16.00	160
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Profit (Rs in Lakhs) 2022-23 32,727.60 34,939.71 2023-24 2024-25 38,372.26

c) A summary of the financial position of the company as in the three audited Balance Sheets 235.32 immediately preceding the date of issue of Circular or advertisement: (Rs.in Lakhs)

Liabilities	As on 31.03.2025	As on 31.03.2024	As on 31.03.2023	Assets	As on 31.03.2025	As on 31.03.2024	As on 31.03.2023
Share Capital	3,189.24	3,139.24	3,139.24	Non Current Assets	1,30,818.89	1,11,304.70	79,664.63
Reserves & Surplus	183,751.14	158,666.24	131,286.94	Current Assets	1,15,352.84	1,05,882.40	101,075.53
Non Current Liabilities	6,055.69	5,468.67	4501.72	Assets held for sale	į į	-	814.37
Current Liabilities	53,175.66	49,912.95	42,626.63				
Total	2,46,171.73	2,17,187.10	181,554.53		2,46,171.73	2,17,187.10	181,554.53

of issue of circular or advertisement: (Rs.in Lakhs) **Particulars** 31.03.2025 31.03.2024 31.03.2023 Cash flow from operating activities 34,563.41 30,034.40 Cash flow from investing activities (28,526.16)(30,522.24)(29,086.19)Cash flow from financing activities (880.70)(4,282.48)(5,766.64)Net increase / (decrease) in cash and 204.91 (241.31)(4,818.43)cash equivalents

d) Audited Cash Flow Statement for the three years immediately preceding the date

e) Any change in accounting policies during the last three years and their effect on the profits and the reserves of the Company: No changes in accounting policy during last three years.

5. DECLARATION BY THE DIRECTORS THAT a) The company has not defaulted in the repayment of deposits accepted either

before or after the commencement of the Act or payment of interest there on. b) The board of directors have satisfied themselves fully with respect to the affairs

and prospects of the company and that they are of the opinion that having regard to the estimated future financial position of the company, the company will be able to meet its liabilities as and when they become due and that the company will not become insolvent within a period of one year from the date of issue of the circular

or advertisement. c) The Company has complied with the provisions of the Act and the rules made there under.

d) The compliance with the Act and the rules does not imply that repayment of deposits is guaranteed by the Central Government. e) The deposits accepted by the company before the commencement of the Act has

been repaid along with interest before 31.03.2015.

f) In case of any adverse change in credit rating, depositors will be given a chance to withdraw deposits without any penalty. g) The deposits shall be used only for the purposes indicated in the Circular or

circular in the form of advertisement h) The deposits accepted by the company (other than the secured deposits, if any, Aggregate amount of which to be indicated) are Unsecured and rank pari-passu with other unsecured liabilities of the Company.

This circular is issued on the authority and in the name of the Board of Directors of the Company, the text hereto has been approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 31.07.2025 and a copy thereof, signed by a majority of the Directors of the

Company be filed with the Registrar of Companies. Place: Coimbatore By Order of Board Date: 31.07.2025 M Lakshmi Kanth Joshi

Regd. Office: Office No. 602, Natraj by Rustomjee, Near Western Express Highway,

Navin Fluorine International Limited

Sir Mathuradas Vasanji Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai 400069, India Tel. No. + 91 22 6650 9999 I Fax No. +91 22 6650 9800 Website: www.nfil.in | E-mail: investor.relations/ainfil.in CIN: L24110MH1998PLC115499



TRANSFER REQUESTS OF PHYSICAL SHARES OF NAVIN FLUORINE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED ("the Company")

This is in furtherance to our Newspaper Advertisement published on August 1, 2025. We hereby reiterate that pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI" circular No. SEBI/HO/MIRSD-PoD/P/CIR/2025/97 dated July 2, 2025, all shareholders of Navin Fluorine International Limited are again informed that a special window is open for a period of six months, from July 7, 2025 to January 6, 2026, to facilitate re-lodgment of transfer requests of physical shares of the Company.

Shareholders may please note that this window is only for re-lodgment of those transfer deeds, which were lodged prior to the deadline of April 1, 2019 and were rejected/ returned not attended due to deficiency in the documents / process/ or otherwise.

Shareholders who missed the earlier deadline of March 31, 2021 are encouraged to use this opportunity by furnishing the necessary documents to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent ("RTA"), KFin Technologies Limited, Unit: Navin Fluorine International Limited Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32, Financial District, Nanakramguda, Serillingampally Mandal Hyderabad - 500032 or write to the Company at investor.relations@nfil.in for any further

The Company's website, www.nfil.in has been updated with the details regarding the opening of this special window and further updates if any, shall be uploaded therein. Please note that any transfer requests submitted after January 6, 2026 will not be accepted

by the Company/RTA, unless any extension is granted by SEBI For Navin Fluorine International Limited

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Niraj B. Mankad President Legal & Company Secretary

Cost of Tender

Date: September 18, 2025

Place: Mumbai

Tender

Batlagundu Bye Pass Road, Begambur, Dindigul - 624 002, Tamilnadu. Mobile: 9442274001/7639065265 - Email: dindigulcetp@gmail.com

SYSTEMS PVT. LTD., (DINTEC) CETP

M/s. TALCO - DINDIGUL TANNERS ENVIRO CONTROL

NOTICE INVITING TENDER - UPGRADATION OF DINTEC CETP, DINDIGUL

Inviting Tender for various Upgradation works of Dindigul DINTEC CETP with 2533m3/day capacity under STEP sub-scheme of IFLDP of DPIIT. Golsealed bids in two cover system (Technical & Financial) for the following works. The Conditions and other details are available in the tender documents.

Tender Ref. Nos.: DINTEC/DPIIT-STEP/2025 - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7

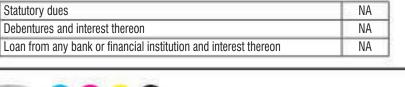
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No.	Name of Work / Tender	EMD (In Rupees)	(Inclusive of GST
1	Supply, installation & commissioning of Submersible Pumps, 58.5 KVA Diesel Generators with Accessories – 2 Sets. Supply & installation of Online Monitoring system.	2,50,000/-	Rs.11,800/-
2	Supply, installation & commissioning of Piping system from Five Zonal Pumping Stations to CETP	4,00,000/-	Rs.11,800/-
3	Supply, erection & commissioning of Elevated Primary, Secondary & Reactive Clarifier Mechanisms in SS 316, Supply, erection & commissioning of Acid Storage System & Centralized Acid Distribution System with all associated components	2,00,000/-	Rs.11,800/-
4	Supply, erection & commissioning of Jet Aspirators – 8 Nos. in Aerobic biological treatment system	2,50,000/-	Rs.11,800/-
5	Supply, erection & commissioning of Ultra Filtration system – Feed Rate: 130m3/hr with all associated components& Civil foundation for pumps and skids	5,00,000/-	Rs.11,800/-
6	Supply, erection & commissioning of Semi-Automatic Solar Sludge Drying, Automated Sludge Spreading, Mobile Sludge Mixing Systems with auto guiding system and Conveyors	8,00,000/-	Rs.17,700/-
7	Construction of RCC Platform for Solar sludge drying system RCC Building for Generators in zonal pumping stations with all associated works, MCC Panel Room and RCC foundation for acid tank.	2,00,000/-	Rs.11,800/-

Tender Items	Sale period (Indian Time)	Pre-bid Meeting	Submission
1,2,3 & 4	26" Sept. to 6" Oct.2025 on all	As Specified in the	9 ^a Oct. 2025
	working days (10.00 am to 4.00 pm)	respective tender document	before 14.00 Hrs.
5,6 & 7	29" Sept. to 8" Oct.2025 on all	As Specified in the	10" Oct. 2025
	working days (10.00 am to 4.00 pm)	respective tender document	before 14.00 Hrs.

Interested Tenderers may purchase the Tender documents by submitting a written application for each tender separately to The Managing Director, DINTEC, Dindigul - 624 002, enclosing with a crossed Bank Demand Draft drawn in favour of "Talco - Dindigul Tanners Enviro Control Systems Pvt. Ltd." payable at Dindigul towards the cost of Tender Document. Further the tenderer may participate either in one or more than one tender. DINTEC reserves the right to withdraw this proposal or reject any or all bids or to allot part of the work to different agencies without assigning any reasons thereof.

Managing Director- DINTEC



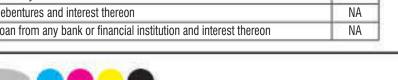
The demand for our products is dependent upon many external factors like economic growth

and infrastructure development in the country. The entire automobile sector is linked to these

economic activities. Any slowdown in these activities can affect the demand adversely.

Similarly, Government policies for economy in general and industry in particular can also

G. Details of default, including the amount involved, duration of default and present status,



for claim in case of default etc Short particulars of the charge created Not Applicable or to be created for securing such deposits, if any

Extent of deposit insurance, Name Not Applicable

k. Any financial or other material interest. Company does not propose to pay of the directors, promoters or key differential interest to any person managerial personnel in such deposits placing deposit with the Company. and the effect of such interest in so far If the directors, promoters or key as it is different from the interests of managerial personnel have placed

any deposit or if any deposit is placed by any such person, the applicable rate of interest would be as per the prevalent Scheme

Senior General Manager (Legal) And Company Secretary epaper.financialexpress.com