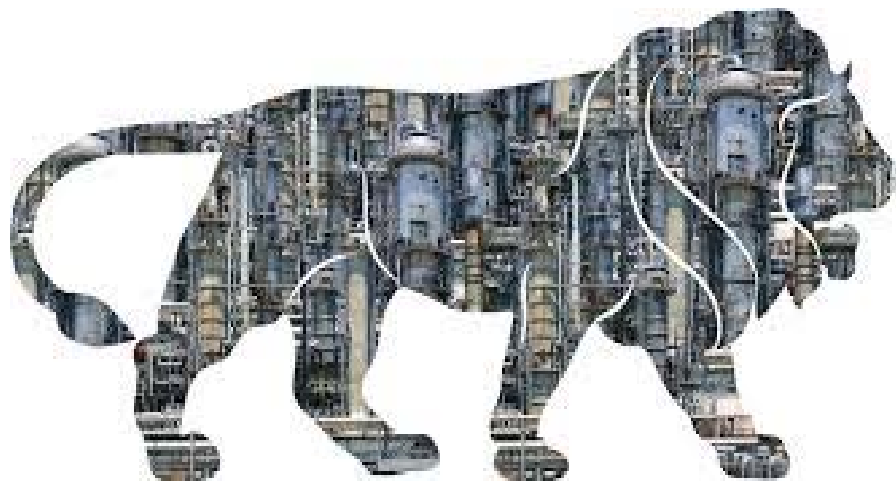




Doing Business Reforms

Government of Maharashtra

Setup, Startup and Grow



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Leadership and Vision for Doing Business in Maharashtra



“Enhancing Maharashtra’s economic growth is the prime priority of my Government. We have emphasized on ease of doing business in Maharashtra, best infrastructure, power at competitive cost and improvement in government system to make Maharashtra as the preferred investment destination...”

- Hon’ble Chief Minister, Shri. Devendra Fadnavis

Maharashtra's Current Ranking in Assessment of Business Reforms

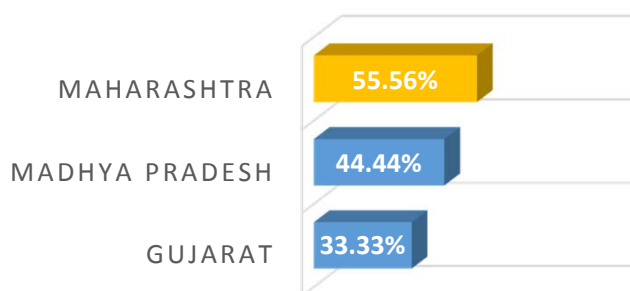


In the DIPP Assessment of State Implementation of Business Reforms 2015, Maharashtra ranked 8th amongst the 32 Indian States with a score of 49.43%.

Rank	State	Score
1	Gujarat	71.14%
2	Andhra Pradesh	70.12%
3	Jharkhand	63.09%
4	Chhattisgarh	62.45%
5	Madhya Pradesh	62.00%
6	Rajasthan	61.04%
7	Odisha	52.12%
8	Maharashtra	49.43%
9	Karnataka	48.50%
10	Uttar Pradesh	47.37%

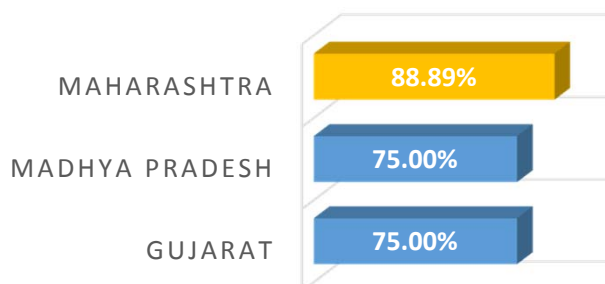
The State was amongst the top 3 in the following indicators:

ENFORCING CONTRACTS

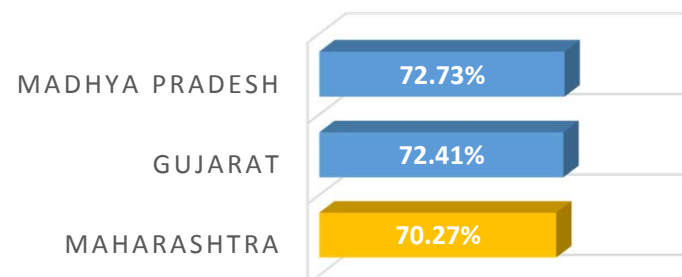


Maharashtra scored the highest in Enforcing Contracts (55.56%), and Obtaining Infrastructure related Utilities (88.89%) amongst all Indian states, and scored the third highest in Land Allotment and Obtaining Construction Permits (70.27%).

OBTAINING UTILITIES



LAND ALLOTMENT AND CONSTRUCTION PERMITS





Doing Business- Key Achievements

In order to facilitate Ease of Doing Business and enhance the investment climate in Maharashtra, the state government has achieved a number of milestones during the past one year. Amongst few noteworthy achievements, the State has introduced a risk based approval framework for granting construction permits; introduced a single ID and an online payment service for VAT, CST, PT, Luxury tax & Entry tax, online application and payment for registration under the Shops and Establishments Act, etc. Further, the time for obtaining an electricity connection has been reduced by 52 days. The state has also introduced the system of Randomized Risk based Inspection for approvals pertaining to the Labour Department and the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board.

Reduction in cost of obtaining construction permit in Mumbai by 79.6%; Reduction in time by 132 days

Single ID and Online Payment for VAT, CST, PT, Entry and Luxury Tax

Randomized Risk based Inspection for Labour and Environment Clearances

Time for obtaining electricity connection reduced by 52 days; Fixed cost estimates based on per KVA load

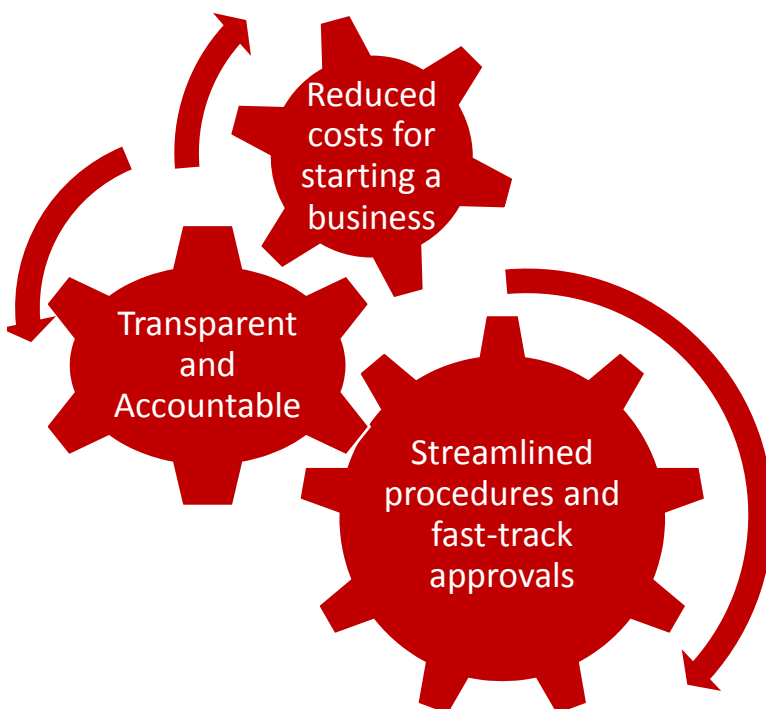
Specialized benches under Bombay High Court to hear Commercial Cases

Implementation of AutoCAD based software to scrutinize building plans in Mumbai

Digitization of more than 90% of the land records in Maharashtra

Over 2,00,000 online applications for registration under Shops and Establishments Act

Fast-tracked NOC for Industrial use of Agricultural Land



Starting a Business



Common application form and single ID for the registration of VAT, CST , PT , Entry Tax and Luxury Tax

This has led to a **reduction in the turnaround time** for tax registrations from **8-10 days to 1 day**. It has also reduced the cost on government to maintain multiple systems and databases.

Publicly available online checklists of all required NOCs and licenses

Detailed checklists and procedures for all mandatory state approvals for starting a business have been made available on respecting department websites. This ensures effective access to information for industries, and provides regulatory certainty so that they are aware of their exact compliance requirements. The checklists are accessible at <http://ifc.mahaebiz.com/AllServicesAnon.aspx>

Reduction in the number of approvals required by MIDC

MIDC has reduced the number of approvals required for setting up a business **from 14 to 5**, which has made the process of applying for approvals simpler and reduced the time and cost burden on investors.



14 → 5

Change in No. of Approvals

Maharashtra Industry, Trade and Investment Facilitation Cell (MAITRI)

The state government has institutionalized MAITRI for guiding investors in getting industry related approvals.

- ✓ Aims at promoting investments and facilitating business partnerships
- ✓ Functions as a clearing house for all investment related information
- ✓ Assists the state/investors on various investment opportunities
- ✓ Acts as a grievance redressal forum for investors



MAITRI has details on

- ✓ Comprehensive checklists of all industry related approvals
- ✓ State reforms, policies and acts

Investor Helpline

The state has established a telephone helpline to address investor queries on setting up a business in Maharashtra. The helpline is active from 10 AM to 6 PM (Mon-Sat)* in English, Hindi and Marathi



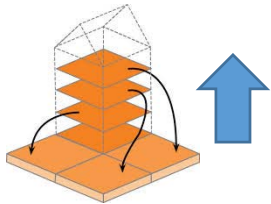
1860 233 2028 (Toll-free)

* The helpline is unavailable on 2nd and 4th Saturdays, and Public Holidays

Industry Anywhere



Increase in Floor Space Index



Increase in FSI from **0.2 to 1** for industry in agriculture and no development zone

Abolition of Industrial Location Policy

The industrial location policy, which restricted modernization and expansion of industries to the Mumbai Metropolitan Region has been abolished.

Reforms pertaining to Industry location

- ✓ The Urban Development department has delegated powers to the **divisional Joint Director, Town Planning for change of zone**
- ✓ An industry can be **located anywhere in the state** irrespective of zones
- ✓ A committee has been formed under the chairmanship of Additional Collector for facilitating **use of agricultural land** by providing various **NOCs within 15 days**

Amendment in DCR 2009 of MIDC

The government has amended DCR 2009 of MIDC and has implemented the following reforms:

- Relaxed ground coverage ration norms
- Permitted additional FSI to restore the original permissible basic FSI against the part of land taken for the purpose of road widening, laying of service lines and other public utility services

Abolition of Industrial License



The state has abolished Industrial License permission from Municipal Corporations, with the exception of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM)

Dealing with Construction Permits (Mumbai)



Time taken to obtain Construction Permit in Mumbai has been reduced to **60 days from 192 days**



Procedures required to obtain Construction Permit in Mumbai have been reduced to **11 from 27**

Implementation of AutoCAD based software to scrutinize building plans in Mumbai

The Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) has introduced the use of AutoCAD based software, which automatically scans building plans and monitors compliance with the building bye-laws and building codes in force. The scrutiny module generates results within 5-20 minutes, **reducing the time by 2-3 days** for building plan approval



2-3 Days reduction in Time

Reduction in development charges

Development charges for obtaining construction permit for a 2-storey warehouse have reduced by 90%. This has **reduced the cost** of obtaining construction permit from **46.1% to 9.37%**



79.6 % reduction in Cost

Elimination of certain NOCs

The Mechanical and Electrical NOC, and the Traffic and Coordination NOC have been removed from the construction permit procedures.

Risk based framework for Building Proposal Approval

MCGM has implemented a risk based assessment framework with risk parameters such as building height, location, type of activity, etc. in order to enable fast-track approvals for low risk buildings in Mumbai. As per the framework, low-risk buildings are allowed self-certification for building proposal approval.

Single Window Clearance System for building permit application

MCGM has introduced a single window system and a Common Application Form (CAF) for building permit application. The CAF captures comprehensive information required for providing construction permits, and applicants are not required to apply to separate departments individually for NOCs.

Third Party Certification

Certain NOCs can be provided by external **third party agencies** and submitted as supporting documents, i.e.

- × Sewerage operations
- × Storm Water Drainage
- × Hydraulic Engineer
- × Roads



Getting Electricity

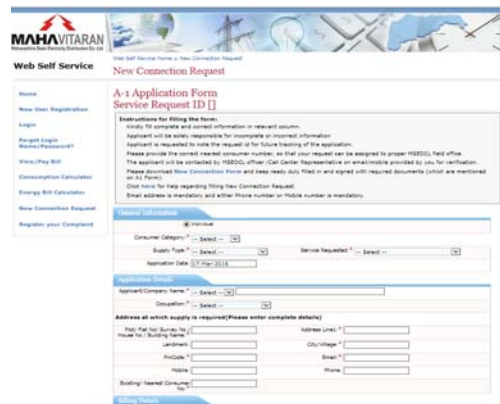
Reduction in Power Tariffs and fixed cost estimates

The government has stipulated fixed cost estimates based on cost per KVA load per Km; the costs are controlled and approved by the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC).

The applicant now has to pay a fixed application fee, Connection charges and security on their applied load, i.e. Application fee of INR 50/- for loads up to 10 Kw (Single Phase LT connection), INR 75/- for loads above 10Kw (Three Phase LT connection), INR 200/- for HT supply (Three Phase HT connection) and a fixed connection fee based on the load slabs as per schedule of charges approved by MERC.

Online Application and Availability of Information

The government has introduced a provision for obtaining electricity connection through an online application, and has made information on effective tariffs available online.



<https://wss.mahadiscom.in/wss/wss?uiActionName=getNewConnectionRequest>

Reduction in number of procedures and time taken

Maharashtra has reduced the procedures and the time required to obtain an electricity connection by improving internal work processes and coordination. Currently, it takes only **3 procedures and 15 days** for getting electricity in Maharashtra, as opposed to **7 procedures and 67 days** previously.



67 → 15

Change in Time Taken to Get Electricity



7 → 3

Change in No. of Procedures to Get Electricity

Reforms by the Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation



Simplified and streamlined procedures

MIDC has simplified the procedures for obtaining building plan approval, water supply connection, approval for internal drainage plan, approval for drainage connection plan, provision of fire NOC, CETP membership, power supply NOC etc. The number of approvals required to start a business has been reduced from 14 to 5.

GIS System with details about land earmarked for industrial use

MIDC has earmarked industrial land parcels with specific criteria (e.g. type of industries, pollution levels etc.) for industries that can be setup on such land, and has made the information available online by using the system of GIS maps. The GIS system provides information on the availability of road infrastructure, water pipelines, sewerage systems, electricity connections and gas pipelines in each plot of land.



This ensures effective investor enquiry and allows entrepreneurs to accurately target their inquiries to land banks that support their intended business.

Third Party Certification

MIDC has appointed **13 accredited architects** for fast track approvals of structural design and architectural drawings during construction and/or completion stage, as applicable.

MIDC as Tree Authority

MIDC has been appointed as the tree authority for **MIDC areas**. For tree cutting permission within the MIDC area, powers have been delegated to the CEO of MIDC. This expedites the process of obtaining tree cutting permissions and reduces the burden of dealing with multiple departments on investors.

Online Application and Payment

MIDC has introduced the provision of online application, document upload and payment for obtaining various approvals pertaining to MIDC. It also allows the investor to download the digitally signed certificate from the online portal.



<https://services.midcindia.org/Services/SrvLand.aspx>

Registering Property and Revenue Reforms



Digitization of Land and Revenue Records

The state is currently implementing an e-mutation module under the “Digital India Land records Modernization Program”. This program will pave way for online mutation and online access to digitally signed records. **26 crore revenue records** are under way for digitization.

100% of the land records for the **last 15 years** (i.e. 2002 to till date) have been scanned and made available on the central online database. Additionally, **96% of the total land records** (i.e. 1985 to till date) are scanned and **91 %** are made **available online**.

This has made it easy to

- Verify land ownership when new transactions are initiated on the land
- Access information when issuing Property Cards to citizens, and for pre-mutation verification of land transactions
- Allow prospective land-buyers with a single point of contact to determine land ownership by checking the required historical documentation



More than 90% of the total land records have been digitized



GRAS Government Receipt Accounting System
Virtual Treasury, Directorate of Accounts & Treasuries,
Finance Department, Government of Maharashtra, India

There is a provision of payment through GRAS for

- Entertainment Tax
- Land Revenue
- Revenue through Minerals Mining Act

Fast-tracked NOC for Industrial use of Agricultural Land

A Committee under the Chairmanship of the Additional Collector has been formed for granting **NOC for the industrial use of agricultural land** within **15 days** by the Revenue Department for each district.

Availability of a model sale deed format for property registration

The revenue department has shared a model sale deed format for property registration on the department’s website. This condenses all necessary information on the sale in a standard format, and makes it easier to develop and register deeds.



Enforcing Contracts

Specialized benches in the High Court to hear commercial cases

Four commercial divisions and two commercial appellate division benches have been established under the Bombay High Court to hear commercial cases. These focus on resolving matters related to arbitration, civil writ petitions arising from industrial/labour laws, company petitions and applications, etc. These benches are dedicated to commercial disputes exclusively, thus eliminating delayed judgments through the regular court system. This significantly reduces the time and costs associated with filing, administering, tracking and resolving legal disputes.

E-payments for court fees and process fees

The state has made provision for the e-payments of court fees and process fees for commercial disputes in District courts/Commercial courts. The payment is accepted through GRAS-
<https://gras.mahakosh.gov.in/echallan/c hallan/views/frmgovtdept.php>

Single Transaction for payment of court fees and process fees

The payment of court fees and process fees have been merged into a single transaction/procedure, thereby decreasing the burden of multiple payments on lawyers and litigants.

Model Contract Templates and Guidelines for Commercial Contracts

The Law and Judiciary department has published model contract templates and guidelines on its website, that may be used for commercial contracts. These are standardized contracts with customary terms and conditions that are easily enforceable.



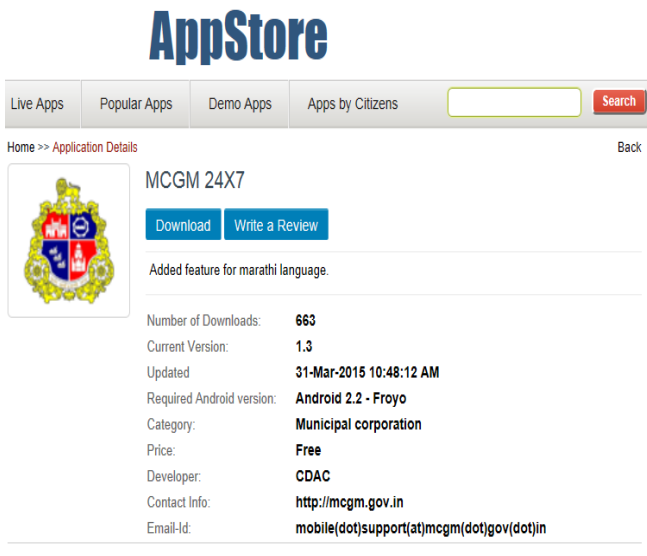


Paying Taxes

Payment of Property Tax through a Mobile App in Mumbai

Property tax can be paid through a mobile application, enabling industrialists to save a significant amount of time.

The app can be downloaded at <https://apps.mgov.gov.in/descp.do?appid=582>



Helpdesk for Filing Tax Returns

The Sales Tax department has established e-helpdesks at various locations, which provide basic services for assisting users in preparing and filing tax returns. The helpline provides real-time information and support to users. Location wise numbers of helpdesks are available at <http://mahavat.gov.in/Mahavat/eHelpDesk.jsp>

Online Returns Filing and Payment of Tax

The government has designed a system for the following taxes to be filed and paid online:

- Value Added Tax
- Central Sales Tax
- Professional Tax
- Luxury Tax
- Entry tax

No Border Check Posts for monitoring the movement of goods

The Sales Tax department does not have any border check posts or mobile squads to monitor the movement of goods. The movement of goods is verified on the basis of documentary evidences submitted online by the dealer such as dispatch proofs, transport receipts, delivery *challans*, etc. The receipts are cross tallied with the invoices submitted by the dealer for authentication.

No Compliance Inspections for VAT Registration

The Maharashtra Sales Tax Department does not conduct any physical inspection before the grant of VAT registration certificate. If the application is correct and complete in all respects, the certificate is granted within one working day after verification of the scanned documents and copy of *challan* without calling the applicant for photo and signature verification.



Labour Reforms

Self-Certification and Third-Party Certification for Labour Approvals



The labour department has introduced Self-Certification Scheme along with a **single integrated return** form for the implementation of **16 labour laws** in the state. The scheme shall benefit **35,000** factories and approximately **27 lakh** shops & establishments.

Self-certification has also been introduced for **boiler registration** (for boilers with heating surface area above 1000 m²). For boilers with heating surface area below 1000 m², the department has made a provision of third party certification.

Fast-Tracked Licenses

- ✓ License for contractors and registration of principal employer's establishment under the Contract Labour Act is given within 7 days
- ✓ License for Shops and Establishments is given within 7 days

7 DAYS

Online Application & Payment under Labour Acts and Factories Act

Licenses and Renewals under various Labour Acts and Factories Act can be obtained online. An investor can now apply, upload documents, make payments and download the digitally signed certificate online; thereby significantly reducing the time taken in starting a business. The services are available at <https://aaplesarkar.mahaonline.gov.in/> & <https://lms.mahaonline.gov.in/>

As of March 2016, there have been over 2,00,000 online applications under the Shops and Establishments Act.

The screenshot shows the 'Form A' application for registration on the Labour Department's website. The form is titled 'Form A Application for Registration (Under Section 7 of The Maharashtra Shops and Establishments Act, 1948) (See Rule 5)'. It includes a warning: 'If applicant fail to re-submit rejected application with rectification as directed within 60 days, then applicant have to submit fresh application along with necessary fees.' The form has several sections with input fields: 'Division / Zone' (with dropdowns for 'Select Division' and 'Select District'), 'Office Name' (with a dropdown for 'Select Office'), 'Name of the establishment (अस्थापनाचे नाव)', and 'Postal Address and situation of the establishment (अस्थापनाचे पत्ता आणि स्थिति)'. The address section includes fields for 'Name of Building', 'Name of Building in Marathi', 'Street', 'Street in Marathi', 'Landmark', 'Landmark in Marathi', 'Locality / Ward', and 'Locality / Ward in Marathi'. There are also fields for 'State', 'District', 'Taluka', and 'Village'.

<https://lms.mahaonline.gov.in/Forms/Home>

Factories License granted for up to 10 years

The Directorate of Health and Safety has made a provision for issuing Factory License and all subsequent renewals with a validity of up to 10 years.

Environment and Pollution Control Board Reforms



Self-Certification Scheme for Environment clearances

MPCB has initiated the scheme for **auto-renewal of Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate** for all categories of industries based on self-certification on compliance of environmental regulations.

Defined timelines for environmental consents

MPCB has shortened the overall time limit for the grant of Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate from **120 days to 60 days**. Applications will be expedited as follows:

- SRO level: 30 days
- RO & HOD level: 45 days
- CC/CAC level: 60 days

Simplified forms for green category industries

Forms for green category industries have been reduced from **10 pages to 2 pages** (reducing 51 main items & 120 sub items to 16 main items & 34 sub items)



Consent Licenses issued for at least 5 years

MPCB issues **Consent to Operate and Consent to Establish** licenses that are valid for a minimum period of **5 years**.

Online application & payment for Consent Certificates

MPCB has launched a web portal which allows Consent to Establish, Consent to Operate, as well as all subsequent renewals to be obtained online. The key features of the web portal are online application customized for the category of industry, online payment through Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) and National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) systems, application tracking, and download of the final consent certificate and inspection reports. This significantly reducing the time taken in starting a business.

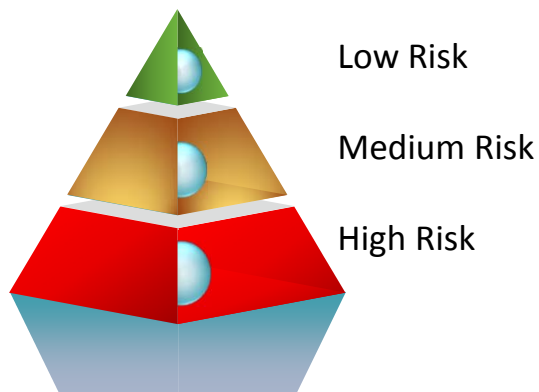


Randomized Risk based Inspection



Randomized Risk based Inspection for Labour and Environment Clearances

The Labour Dept. and MPCB have introduced Randomized Risk Based Inspection, wherein industries are classified based on predetermined risk criteria and selected for inspection through randomization based on their risk profile.



Salient Features

- Computerized software based tool
- Submission of inspection reports within 72 hours
- Exemption from inspection or Self-Certification for low risk industries
- Details of inspection procedure and list of documents required available on the department websites

The framework allows

- ✓ Effective and targeted utilization of the department's resources
- ✓ Less burden on low and medium risk industries
- ✓ Simpler and more transparent inspection process

Inspection by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board

MPCB assigns risk profiles to firms based on a combination of two risk parameters, i.e.

- (i) Potential pollution levels (Red, Orange and Green)
- (ii) Size of the industry (Large, Medium and Small)

Based on this, firms are selected for inspection via randomization. The system also automatically allocates inspectors from the selected region through randomization. All green industries and small-scale orange industries are exempted from inspections, and the inspection frequency for orange (medium and large) and red industries increases with an increase in risk level.

Labour and Factories Inspection

The Commissionerate of Labour and DISH classify industries based on the potential hazard level and the number of workers.

For labour inspections, establishments with less than 9 workers are exempted. All firms with more than 9 workers have the option to self-certify (where they are not visited for 5 years), or be selected for inspection through randomization.

For factories inspections, 100% of the Major Accident Hazard (MAH) units and Chemical and 2CB units are inspected in a year, and the remaining firms are selected for inspection through randomization.



Right to Services Act and Aaple Sarkar

Right to Public Services Act, 2015

Right to Public Services Act or 'Seva Hami Kayada' was enacted on August 21, 2015 to ensure transparency, timeliness and accountability in the services rendered by the State to its citizens.

Currently, about 224 services offered by various Departments have been notified under the Act, of which 155 services are being offered online through the Aaple Sarkar Portal. The state plans on making all 224 services available online by October 2016.

Aaple Sarkar Portal

The Aaple Sarkar Portal was conceptualized and implemented in 2015 as a pivotal element of the strategy to achieve Hon'ble Chief Minister's vision of making Maharashtra a digital state by 2019.

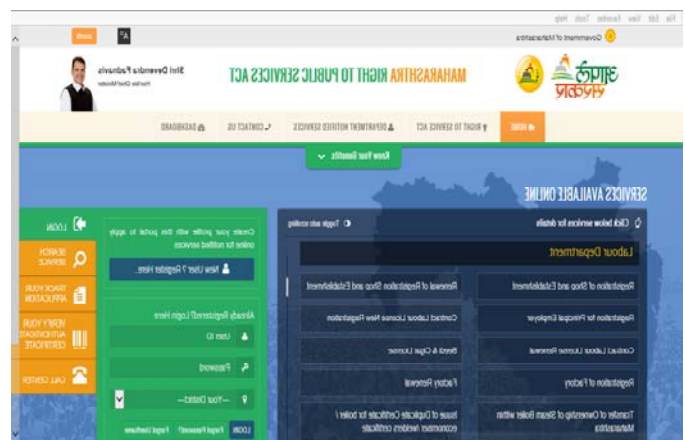
The objective of the portal is to provide a single touch point for citizens and potential investors alike, for information and access to the various Government to Business (G2B) and Government to Citizen (G2C) services including facility for online application, submission of documents and payment.

Currently, the Aaple Sarkar Portal is the common front-end for about 155 G2B and G2C services, of which 46 services went online in Phase I launched in 2015 while about 109 services went online in Phase II, launched on January 26, 2016.

With the launch of the Aaple Sarkar portal, citizens can also raise grievances, file RTIs as well as lend their suggestions to the government on various aspects of development and policy-making to help facilitate participative policy-making and bottom-up governance.

224 Services notified under RTS

155 Services offered through Aaple Sarkar



Establishment of IITTs and IIAs



The Government of Maharashtra, under the Industrial Policy 2013 is developing **Integrated IT Townships (IITTs)** of **minimum 10 Hector area** land and **Integrated Industrial Areas (IIAs)** of **minimum 40 Hector area** land, with higher FSI and 'Walk to Work' concept as smart cities. IITTs and IIAs are being introduced with an objective of encouraging private sector partnership in developing industrial areas and supplementing MIDC's efforts. About **60%** of the total land in such areas will be **reserved for industrial activities** and the remaining 40% for residential and other commercial activities. Zone conversions for IITTs and IIAs will be through MIDC.

Integrated Industrial Areas (IIAs)

- All industrial areas (government and private) over 40 hectares can now be converted into industrial townships holding residential and commercial spaces, provided the Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) notifies such areas as integrated industrial areas (IIAs)
- The MIDC will act as the special planning authority for all IIAs
- The timeline for infrastructure development in IIAs has been extended
- No separate non-agriculture permission will be required for IIAs, which will also be exempted from payment of fees for scrutinizing development plans for the entire township
- IIAs will be given **1.0 global FSI**

Integrated IT Townships (IITTs)

- IITTs are promoted in order to facilitate the growth of the IT industry and meet the needs of the workforce there, and to provide necessary amenities and accommodation in the vicinity of the IT units. They are being planned in all regions of Maharashtra where they can be established on both private land as well as land acquired by government agencies – MIDC and CIDCO.
- The minimum area required for the development of an IITT is 10 hectares (25 acres)
- For larger utilization of notified land, IITTs will be **given 2.5 global FSI**



Upcoming Reforms

Single Window Clearance System for Industry Related Approvals

As part of the Single Window Policy, 2016, the state government plans to expand the scope of MAITRI from its current role as an investment facilitation cell, to make it a holistic body for providing all industry-related services (as a single window portal) to investors as well as potential investors.

The MAITRI investment portal will provide a common front-end for 18 approvals as part of phase-I rollout, and subsequently in Phase II for total of 44 approvals across 18 departments. Investors will have the facility of online application, online submission of documents, online payment, online tracking and monitoring, as well as the provision to download digitally signed certificates.

Objective of the Single Window Portal

- To be the Single point contact for grant of approvals for setting up an Industry

- Be a transparent & Speedy Interface with Online System
- Address Investor grievances by removing bottlenecks and issuing approvals in the stipulated time frame
- Provide facility for One Time fee payment through linked Wallet along with Status Tracking and online monitoring of Applications
- Appellate body under Right to Public Services for Industry Approvals

Key Features

- Common Application Form (CAF), used to auto-populate fields common to multiple services across various departments
- Common tracking for multiple approvals / applications through a common dashboard using a unique identification number
- Downloadable and verifiable approval certificates issued online, along with Email and SMS notifications



44 CLEARANCES



18 DEPARTMENTS



One – Stop – Shop

Upcoming Reforms



Mobile Application for Investor Facilitation (M-Governance)

The MAITRI Mobile App aims to leverage the potential of m-governance, by taking government services and information on industry specific approvals to the palms of the Investor in an easy and accessible manner. The Mobile App will be a repository of Government schemes and policies promoting investment opportunities, and provide a high quality and responsive service to investors.

The mobile app will provide details primarily pertaining to

- i. Infrastructural and Strategic Advantages of Maharashtra, highlighting the availability of physical infrastructure and skills in the state
- ii. Policies and Incentives, wherein the app will provide a comprehensive list of Acts and regulations governing the investment diaspora in the State across departments
- iii. Sector specific information and advantages that the state offers for each industry focus sector identified by the state, along with sector specific industrial clusters. The app will also provide details on the availability and rates of land and infrastructure in each cluster
- iv. Information on key industrial reforms implemented by the state
- v. Details on all industry related approvals including links for online applications, procedures, timelines etc. and the provision to track and monitor applications
- vi. News and announcements by the government on recent developments related to setting up an industry



Upcoming Reforms



Online Return Filing for Entry Tax and Entertainment Tax

The state is making provisions for Entry Tax and Entertainment Tax to be filed online. Online filing of returns facilitates better quality control of relevant data, by ensuring that it is error-free, and by thereby allowing state tax authorities to compile comprehensive tax payment histories and develop risk profiles for each tax payer.

Assessment of building plans using AutoCAD software across the state

The government is implementing a mechanism to allow the assessment of building plans for obtaining construction permit through an AutoCAD based software throughout Maharashtra. The AutoCAD software will automatically scan building plans and monitor compliance with the building bye-laws and building codes in force. Such a system will greatly increase efficiency by enabling computer verification, and will simultaneously reduce the risk of human error in the review of the plans.

Specialized benches under District Courts to hear commercial cases

The Law and Judiciary department is establishing specialized benches in district courts to hear commercial disputes, so as to avoid backlogs and enable speedy resolution of cases.

Assistance for e-filing of returns

The Sales Tax department is working towards a system for providing assistance to investors for e-filing of returns through the e-Seva Kendras and e-Setu Kendras. Maharashtra currently has about 20,000 Kendras which can be leveraged to provide these services. This will help tax payers to make the transition from manual filing and payment, and make greater use of the online system.

Streamlining the issuance of Tree NOC

The state government plans to implement a system for online application, payment and tracking for the issuance of tree NOC. This will enable investors to fill and submit the application form, upload relevant documents as well as pay all associated fees online. The applications will then be processed and approved by each licensing agency online and once approved, the user can obtain the approval or registration certificate online through the portal. The system will also enable third parties to verify the authenticity of the certificate online by using a unique reference number.

This will completely eliminate any physical touch-points in the application process and significantly reduce the cost and time for obtaining Tree NOC.

Recent Major Investments in Maharashtra



World's largest electronics contract manufacturing company in the electronics sector, **Foxconn**, signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Government of Maharashtra to set up a manufacturing facility with an investment of **USD 5 billion**.



The world's third-largest automobile maker **General Motors** signed a letter of offer with the Government of Maharashtra to invest **INR 6,400 crore** at its existing Talegaon facility in Pune for further expansion.



South Korean steel firm **POSCO** signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Shree Uttam Galva and Power Limited, to explore the possibility of setting up a steel plant jointly with the Korean firm in Maharashtra at an estimated cost of **INR 20,000 crore**.



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Investment Commitments in Maharashtra



2603 MOUs worth INR 8.04 Lakh Crores

Potential of 30,00,000 new jobs



Major Deals

- **INR 60,000 Crores** from Sterlite Group company TwinStar Display Technologies, to set up a LCD manufacturing unit known as Panel FAB
- Tripartite MoU between Hindustan Coca Cola Beverages Ltd, Jain Irrigation and Dept. of Agriculture & Marketing, Govt. of Maharashtra for setting up a Juice Manufacturing Facility in Vidarbha
- **INR 900 Crores** from Raymond Industries manufacturing of Linen Yarn and fabric and Garmenting



Investors and Clusters across Key Sectors in Maharashtra



Automobile



Thane	Pune	Ahmednagar	Aurangabad
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Textiles



Nandurbar	Nashik	Amravati	Nagpur
Thane	Pune	Solapur	Kolhapur

IT & ITES



Thane	Mumbai	Nashik	Aurangabad
Pune	Thane		

Investors and Clusters across Key Sectors in Maharashtra



Pharmaceuticals



Kurkumbh

Additional Patalganga

Lote Parshuram

Chemical



Kurkumbh

Lote Parshuram

Food and Agriculture



Nagpur

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