LEATHER IN INDIA
STITCHING NEW INDIA’S GROWTH STORY
Sector Highlights

- **USD 12 Bn**
  Size of the domestic leather market in India

- India accounts for **13%**
  of global production of hides/skins

- India is the **2nd**
  largest exporter of leather garments,
  **3rd**
  largest exporter of Saddlery & Harnesses

- During 2017-18, exports of footwear, leather and leather products from India reached **USD 5.74 Bn**

- Major markets for Indian leather products include US, UK, Germany, Italy & France

- India is the **2nd**
  largest producer of footwear and leather garments

- About **3 Bn**
  square feet of leather is produced in India annually

- Ready availability of raw material - India is home to **20%**
  of the world’s cattle and buffalo population, as well as **11%**
  of the world’s goat and sheep population
Growth Drivers

1. **Youth power:**
   
   With 55% of the workforce below the age of 35, the Indian leather industry has one of the youngest and most productive workforces.

2. **Institutional support**
   
   World-class institutional support for Design & Product Development, Human Resource Development and R&D.

3. **High growth potential for exports:**
   
   India has trade agreements with Japan, Korea, ASEAN, Chile etc., and is negotiating a Free Trade Agreement with the European Union and Australia.

4. **Huge domestic market:**
   
   The domestic market in India is expected to reach USD 18 Bn by 2020.
Government Initiatives/Policies

- FDI in Leather products manufacturing - 100% through automatic route.

- The Leather industry in India is delicensed, facilitating expansion on modern lines with state-of-the-art machinery and equipment.

- Indian Footwear, Leather & Accessories Development Programme (IFLADP) for 2017-20:
  - The Central Government has approved a special package for employment generation in the leather and footwear sector.
  - The scheme will lead to the development of infrastructure for the leather sector, facilitation of additional investments, employment generation and increase in production.
  - From FY17 - FY20, total approved expenditure for IFLADP is USD 380 Mn from 2017-18 to 2019-20.

Industry Clusters

The major production centres for footwear, leather and leather products in India are located in the following states:

- **Tamil Nadu**
  - Chennai, Ambur, Ranipet, Vaniyambadi, Vellore, Pernambut, Trichy, Dindigul and Erode

- **West Bengal**
  - Kolkata

- **Uttar Pradesh**
  - Kanpur, Agra, Noida, Saharanpur

- **Maharashtra**
  - Mumbai

- **Punjab**
  - Jalandhar

- **Karnataka**
  - Bengaluru

- **Telangana**
  - Hyderabad

- **Haryana**
  - Ambala, Gurgaon, Panchkula, Karnal and Faridabad

- **Madhya Pradesh**
  - Dewas

- **Kerala**
  - Kozhikode and Ernakulam / Cochin

- **Rajasthan**
  - Jaipur

- **Jammu & Kashmir**
  - Srinagar
Key Players in India

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Key Stakeholders

- Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion
- Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- Government of India

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