

India REIT Primer

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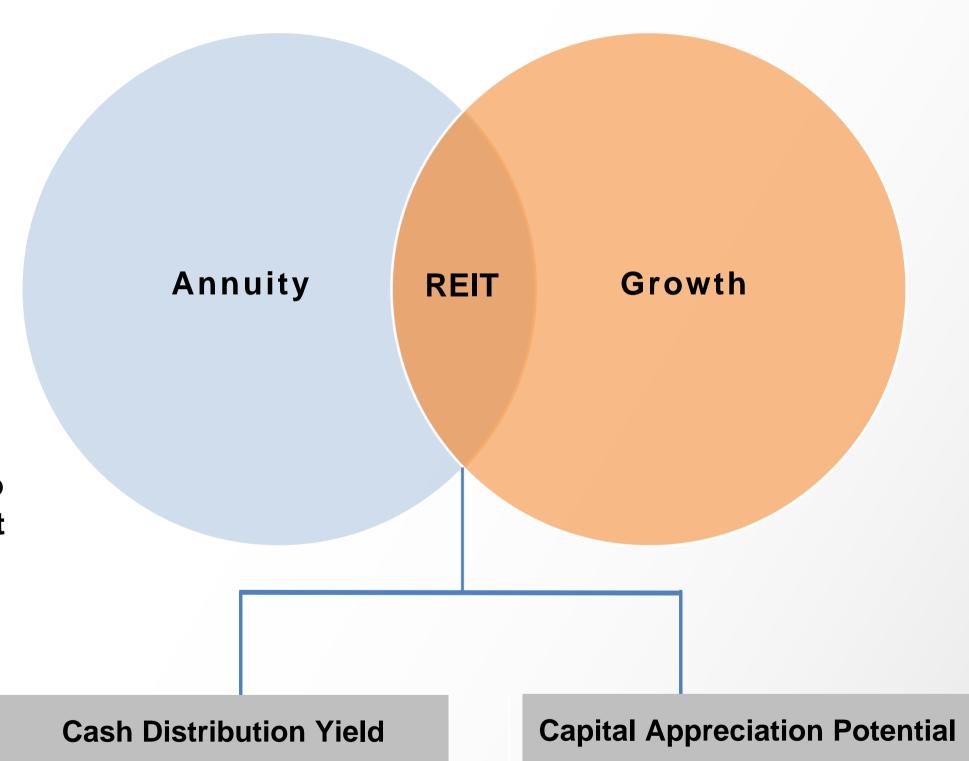


What is a REIT?



REITs are a globally accepted, liquid, highly-governed and tax-efficient product to invest in commercial and other real estate, through a publicly traded unit

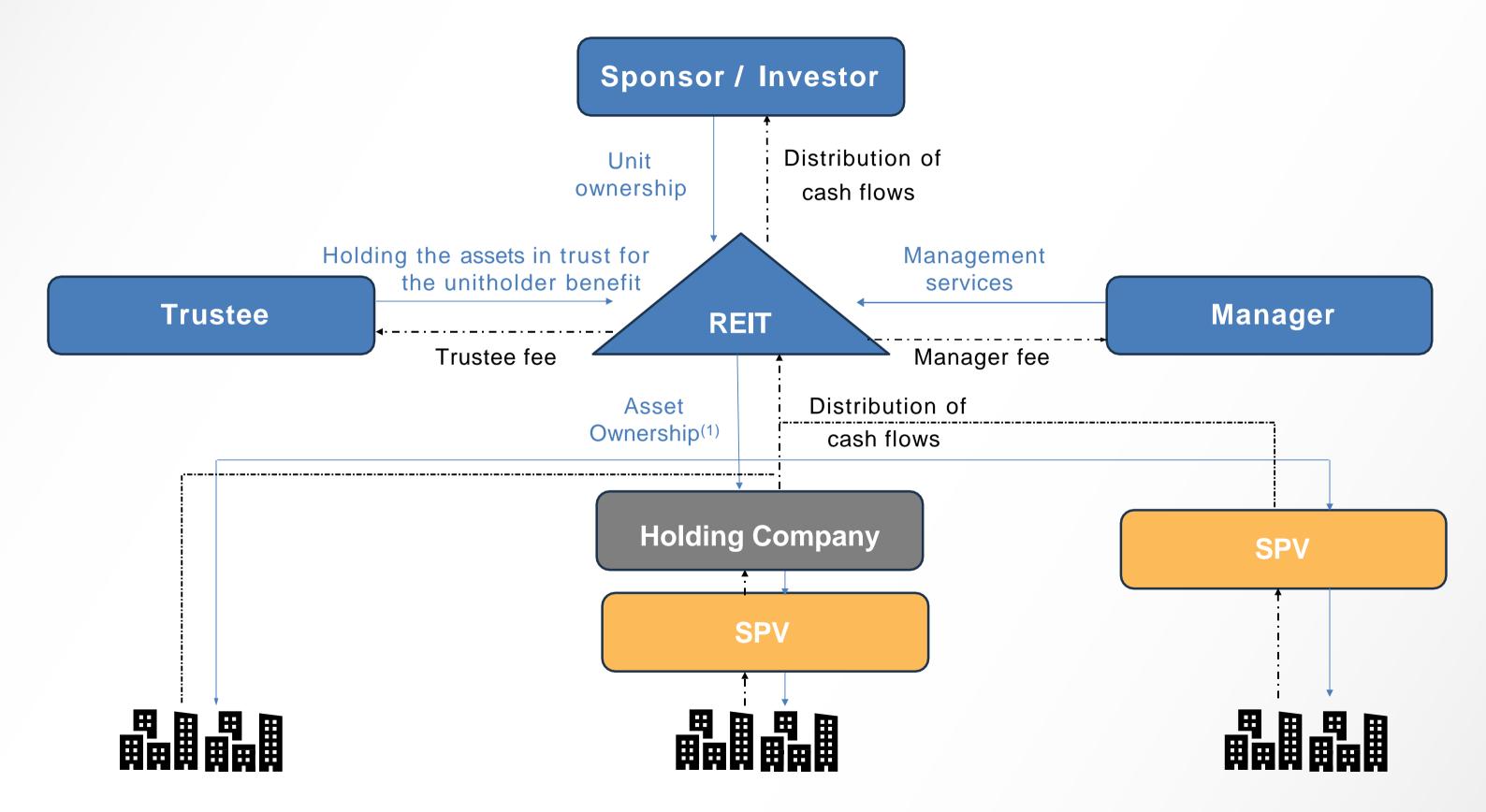
- REIT stands for Real Estate Investment Trust
- REITs allow investors to access the benefits of investing in real estate through a publicly traded unit
- REITs own, operate and/or manage income or rent generating real estate assets
- REITs are tax efficient vehicles that are required to distribute at least 90% of their cash flows at least semi-annually
- REITs typically provide consistent distribution yields with an in-built capital appreciation potential



How is a REIT Structured?



REITs are registered as business trusts with three key parties – a Sponsor, a Manager and a Trustee

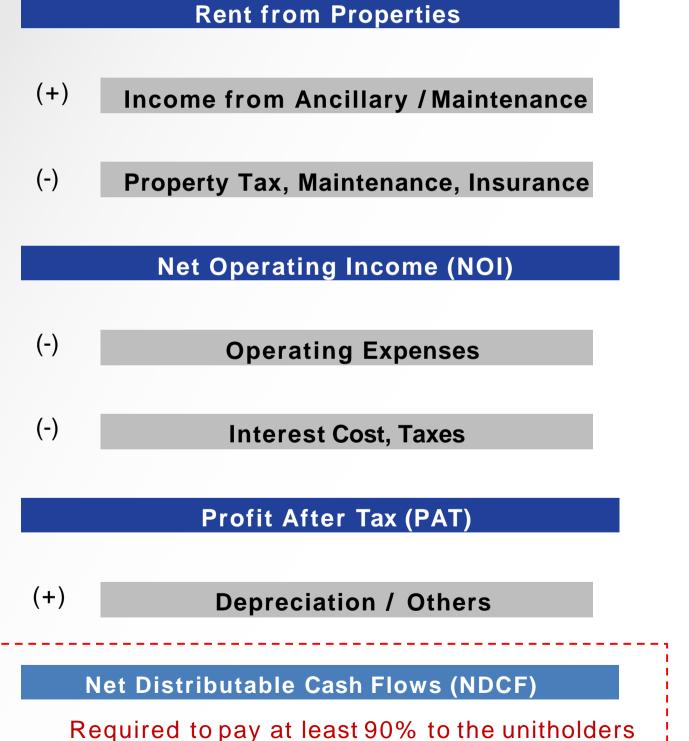


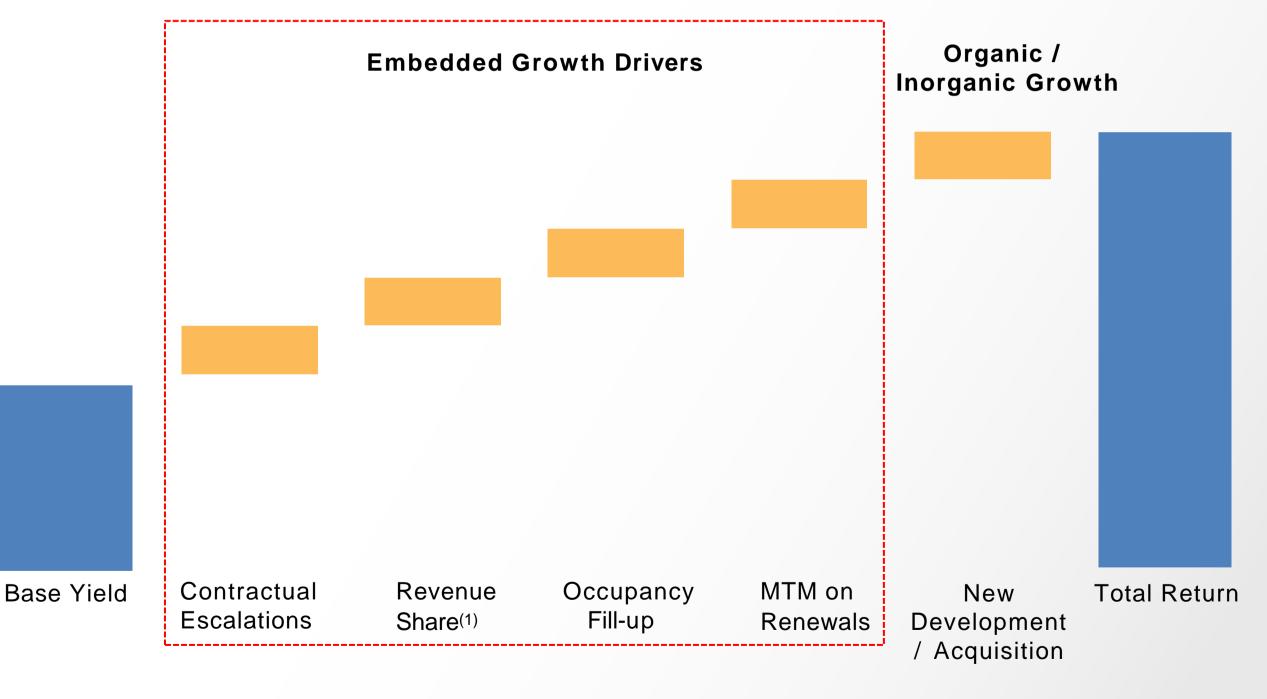
How does a REIT Generate Returns?



REITs provide total returns with a cash distribution yield and capital appreciation potential through growing property valuation

Illustrative Simple Business Model for a REIT Illustrative Revenue Growth Drivers for a REIT



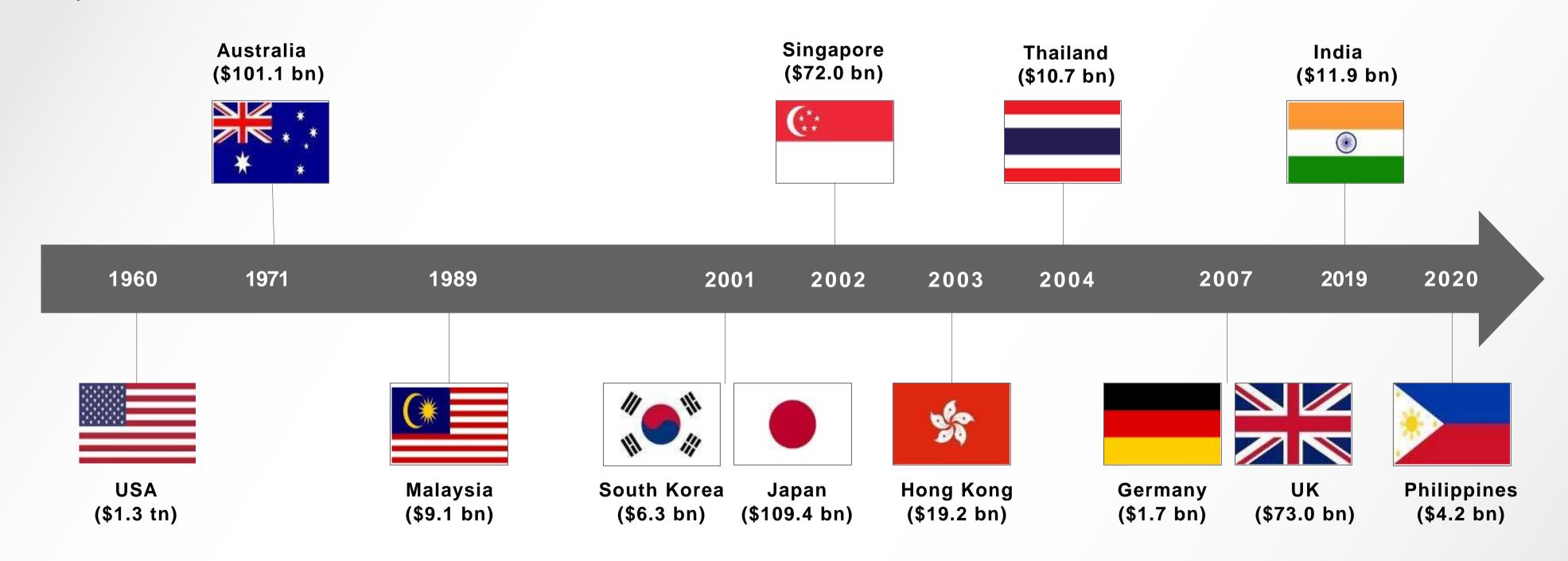




REITs: Globally Accepted for 60+ Years



1,000+ REITs listed globally across 40+ countries with a combined market capitalization of ~ \$2 trillion

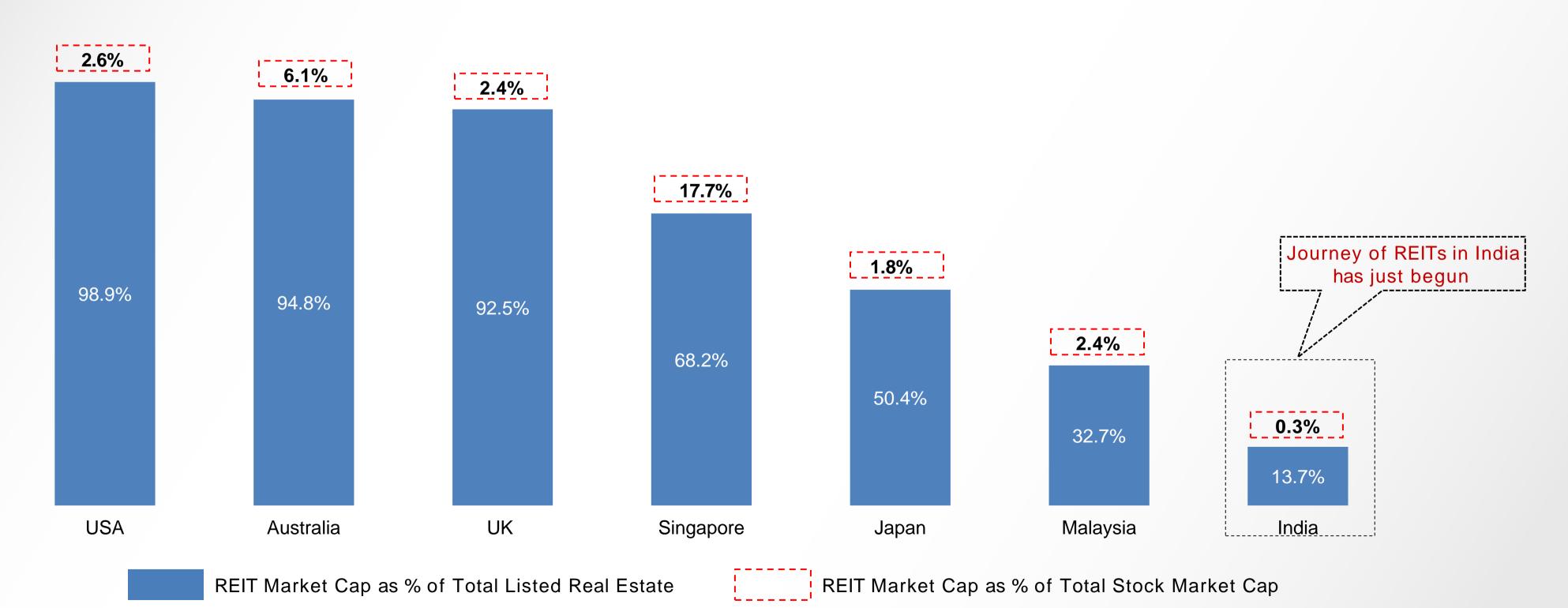


REITs: A Key Component of Global Listed RE



Globally, around 60% of the listed real estate value is attributable to REITs vs 14% in India

REITs' contribution to the listed real estate market cap (%)



Source: European Public Real Estate Association, Dec 2023



Snapshot of Indian REITs



The Indian REIT market continues to evolve since the listing of the first REIT in April 2019

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Listed REITs in India

115 msf

Across India's Top Commercial and Retail Markets ₹80,000 crs+

Market Capitalization

₹15,500 crs+

Distributed more than Entire Nifty Realty Index Combined

AAA

Credit Ratings

₹1,30,000 crs+

Gross AUM

2 lakh+

Unitholders

₹25,500 crs+

Total Equity Raised since Listing

FTSE, MSCI, S&P

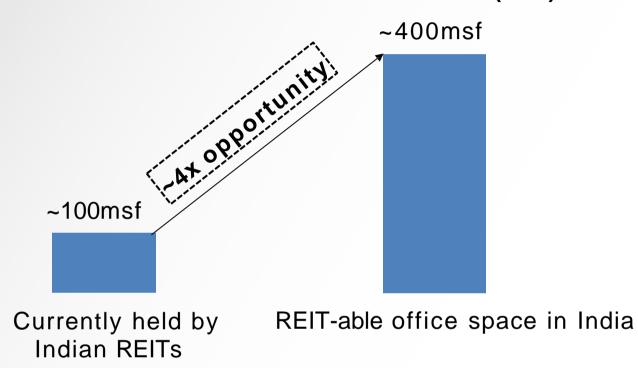
Included in Multiple Global Equity Indices

Market Potential for Indian REITs

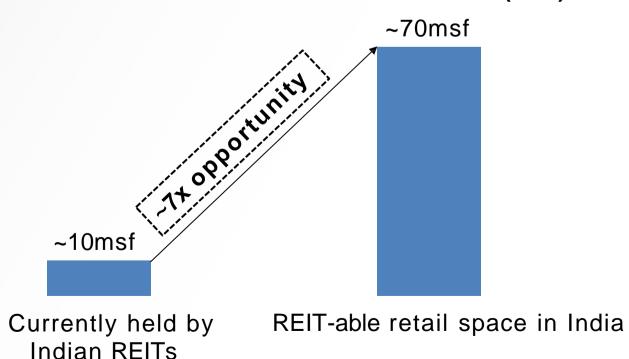


Availability of a large pool of REIT-able assets in India expected to lead the growth of the Indian REIT product

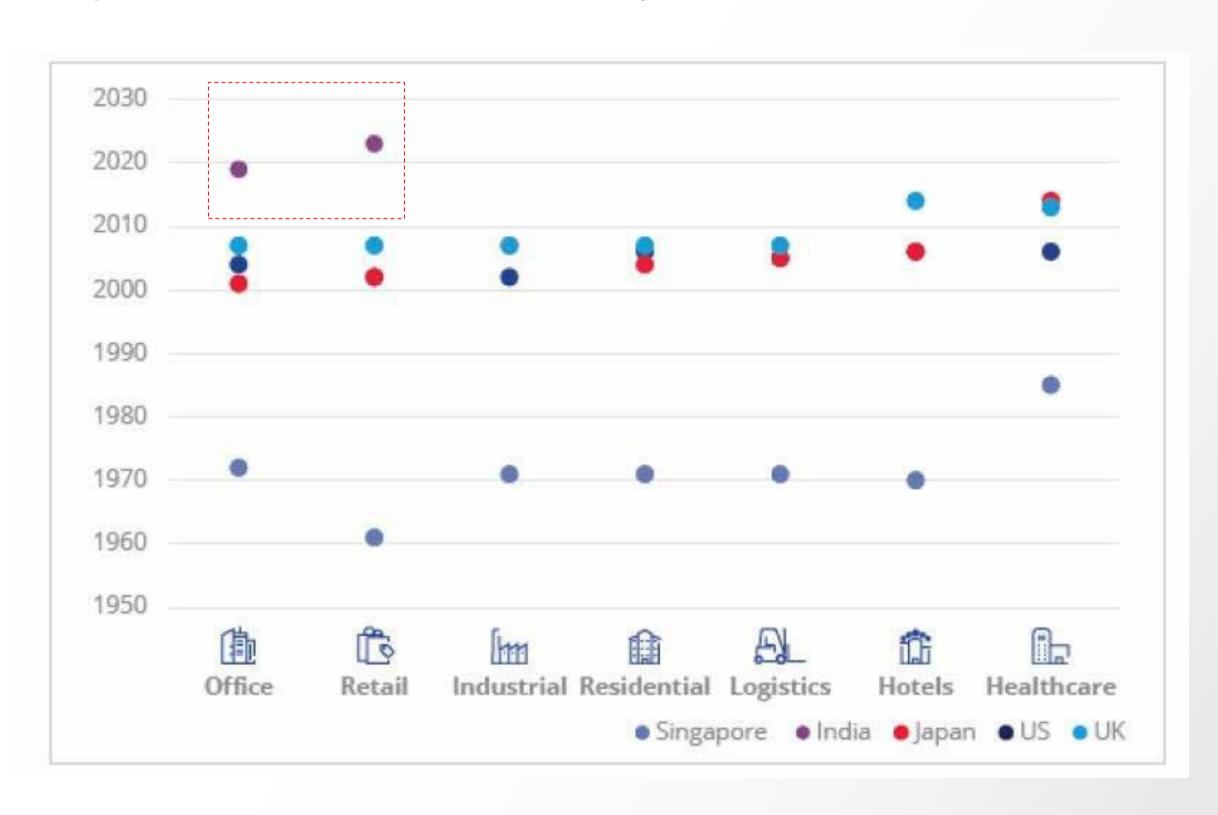




Grade A REIT-able Retail Stock in India (msf)



Inception of REITs across Asset Classes Globally



Source; Colliers, Wall street research



Why Invest in Indian REITs?



REITs are a liquid, 'total return' product, allowing ownership in a professionally-managed real estate asset portfolio

Accessibility

Ownership in professionally-managed real estate assets, even with a small capital outlay

Tax-efficient Yields

Required to distribute at least 90% of cash flows semi-annually; distributions are typically consistent and tax-efficient

Liquidity

REIT units are freely traded in stock markets like equity shares

Growth Upside

Participation in potential capital appreciation of REIT units from organic or inorganic growth

5 Transparency

Strong governance framework and disclosure requirements prescribed by SEBI

Diversification

Investment in a diversified portfolio across sectors and cities

Strong Governance Framework and Disclosure Requirements

Regulatory Framework



Indian REITs adhere to a strong SEBI regulatory framework, which is aimed at protecting the interests of the unitholders

Consideration	Regulatory Framework		
Execution Risk	80% of value must be in completed and income or rent generating assets Restrictions on speculative land acquisitions		
Leverage	49% debt cap (as % of asset value) Majority unitholder approval required to cross 25%		
Distributions	90% minimum cash flows to be distributed Net distributable cash flows to be distributed semi-annually		
Corporate Governance	50% Independent directors on the Board of the Manager Unitholder approval required on critical matters and unitholder interests aligned due to a performance linked management fees structure		
Related Party Transactions	10% range (+/-) for pricing any acquisition or sale of assets ⁽¹⁾ Majority unitholder approval required for transactions exceeding 10% of the REIT value On related party transactions, Sponsors are not allowed to vote as well as additional specific disclosures are required		

Note:

Consideration

REITs vs Other Ways to Invest in Commercial Real Estate



Indian REITs offer multiple advantages over direct investment in real estate or owning equity of a listed real estate company

	Liquidity and Investment Quantum	Transaction Costs	Diversification	Nature of Returns and Tax Efficiency
REIT Units	High liquidity, Low minimum investment (1 unit)	No entry or exit load	High (multiple tenants, cities, sectors)	Capital appreciation and mandatory regular distributions <u>Dividend component</u> Tax exempted(1)
Physically Owning Real Estate (Direct / Fractional Ownership)	Low liquidity, High investment quantum	Transaction costs involved	Low	Taxable rents, capital returns driven by exit timing and valuation
Listed Shares of a Real Estate Company	High liquidity, Low minimum investment (1 share)	No entry or exit load	High	Capital appreciation and dividends (not mandatory <u>Dividend</u> – Taxable

Note:

How To Invest in Indian REITs?



Any investor with a demat account can invest in Indian REIT units which are freely traded on the Indian stock exchanges

REIT units are listed on the Indian stock exchanges NSE and BSE through an Initial Public Offering (IPO)

Any eligible investor (domestic / foreign / retail / institutional) can buy REIT units in India

The REIT units can be bought or sold through a demat account, and the process is similar to the buying or selling of an equity share of a listed company

An investor can buy or sell a single unit at a time

Tax Treatment for REIT Investors



Indian REITs are tax-efficient instruments; the dividend component is exempt⁽¹⁾ from tax in the hands of the unitholders

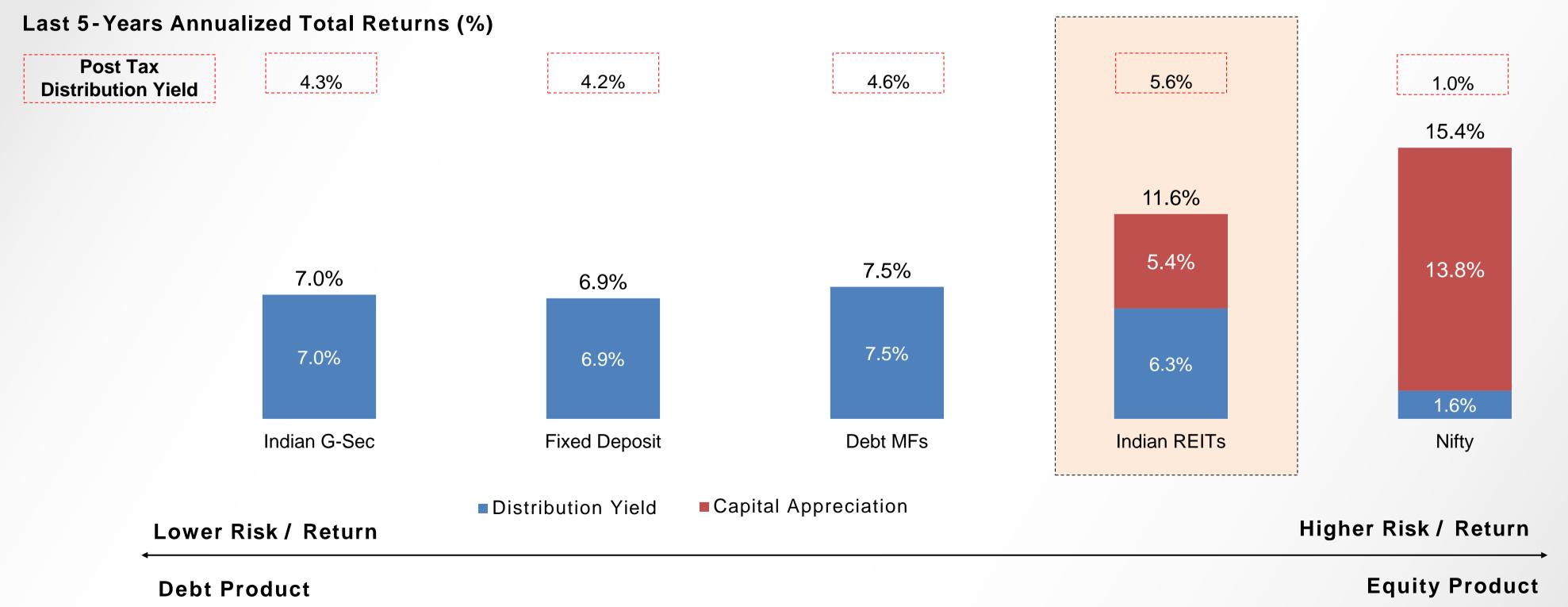
Nature of Income	Taxation for REIT	Taxation for Unitholders	
Dividend	Exempt	Exempt ⁽¹⁾	
Interest Income	Exempt	Taxable at applicable tax rates Withholding tax to be deducted by the REIT (Non-residents - 5%, others - 10%)	
Amortization of SPV debt	Exempt	Nil upon receipt(2)	
Capital gains on the sale of REIT units	NA	Taxable ⁽³⁾	

Please refer to the 'Knowledge Center' tab on the IRA website for further details.

Attractive Post Tax Yield Coupled with Capital Appreciation



REITs can be effective instruments for overall asset allocation strategy of an investor as they offer attractive post-tax distribution yields along with long-term capital appreciation potential



Notes: Source: Bloomberg, SBI, AMFI. For period Jan 01, 2019 to Feb 29,2024 (1) Refers to Indian 5-year G-Sec yield as on Feb 29, 2024

(4) Refers to the median performance of all 4 listed Indian REITs for the last 5 years – annualized considering period of respective listing. Distribution yields and capital appreciation computed basis respective IPO prices of the REITs and the NSE closing price as on Feb 29, 2024. Post tax distribution yield is calculated assuming 39% tax rate on the interest component of the actual distributions

(5) Tax rate of 39% (Maximum Marginal Tax Rate) considered for calculating all post tax distribution yields

⁽²⁾ Refers to the SBI bank domestic fixed deposit rate for 5 years and upto 10 years (for amount less than ₹2 crores) as on Feb 29, 2024 (3) Refers to the average 5-year returns of all open-ended long duration debt mutual funds as on Feb 29, 2024

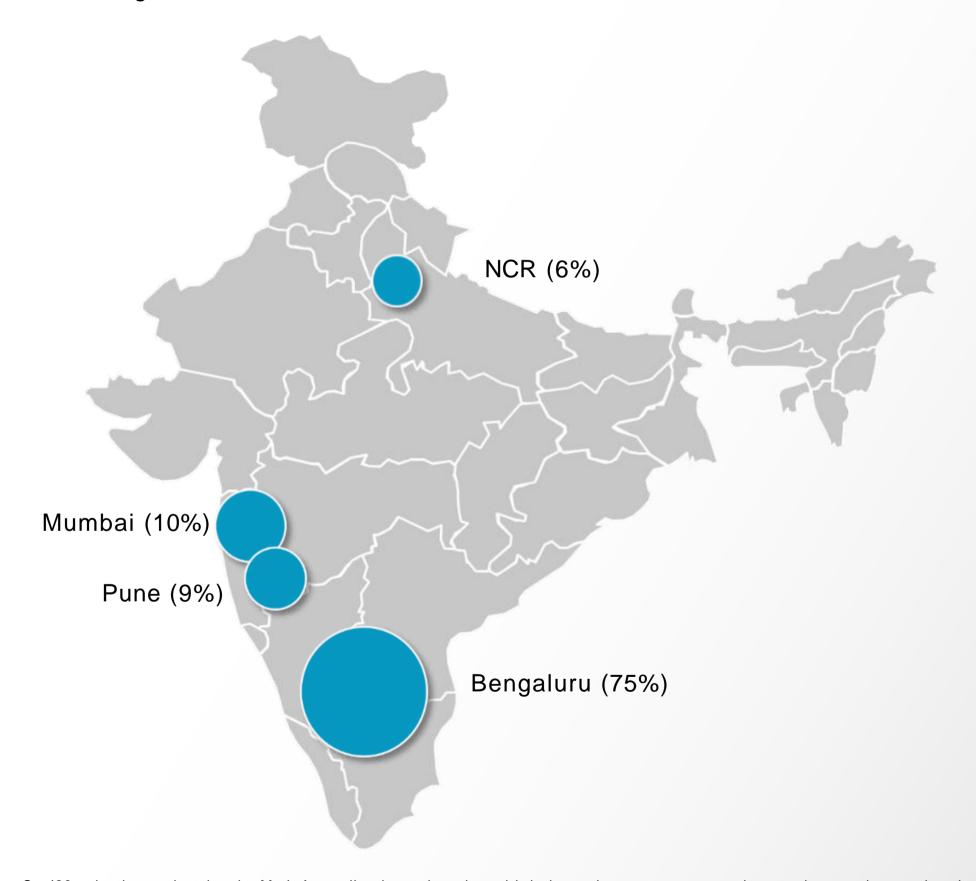


Overview: Embassy REIT



Embassy REIT is India's first listed REIT and the largest office REIT in Asia by area. It owns and operates a commercial office portfolio across 4 major cities in India

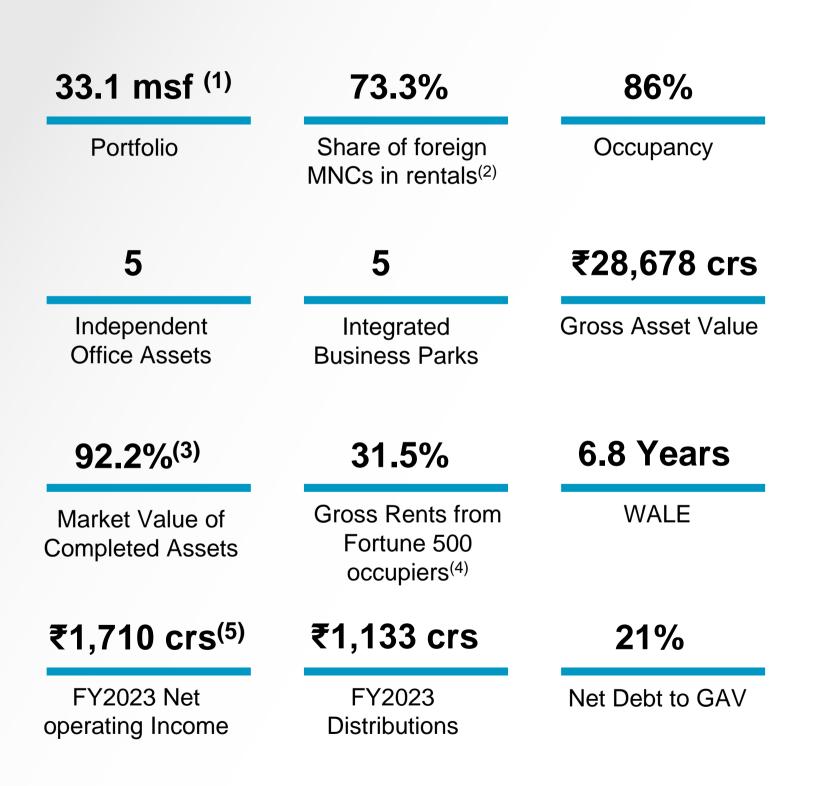
45.4 msf ⁽¹⁾	244	84%	
Portfolio	Blue-Chip Occupand Occupiers		
13	1,614	100 MW	
Commercial Offices	Hotel Keys (2)	Solar Park	
10%	46%	6.9 Years	
10% Mark to Market Potential	46% Gross Rents from Fortune 500 Occupiers	6.9 Years WALE	
Mark to Market	Gross Rents from Fortune 500		

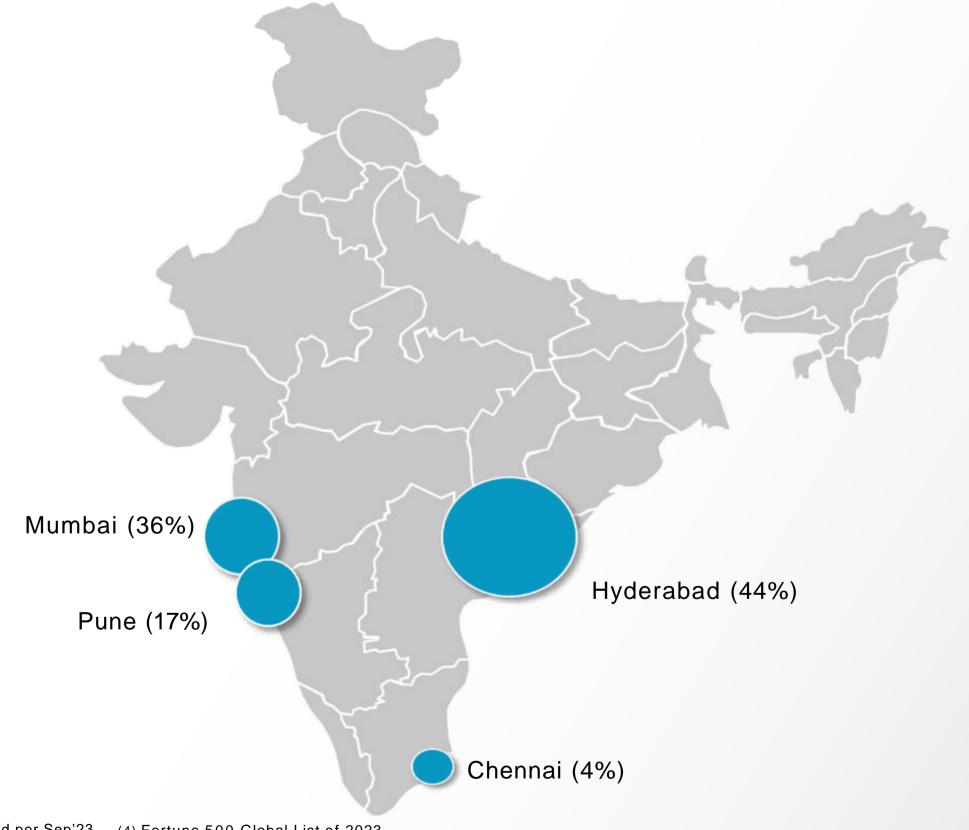


Overview: Mindspace REIT



Mindspace Business Parks REIT owns one the largest Grade A office in four key commercial markets in India





Notes: All figures refer to Q3 FY24 unless specified otherwise. City wise split by % of Gross Asset Value(GAV) considered per Sep'23 valuation undertaken by Ms. L Anuradha,in conjunction with Independent property consultant review services undertaken by C&W (1)Comprises 26.1 msf completed, 2.9 msf under construction and 3.3 msf future development

⁽²⁾ Represents % of Gross Contracted Rentals as on Dec 31, 2023

⁽³⁾Includes Market Value of Facility Management Division

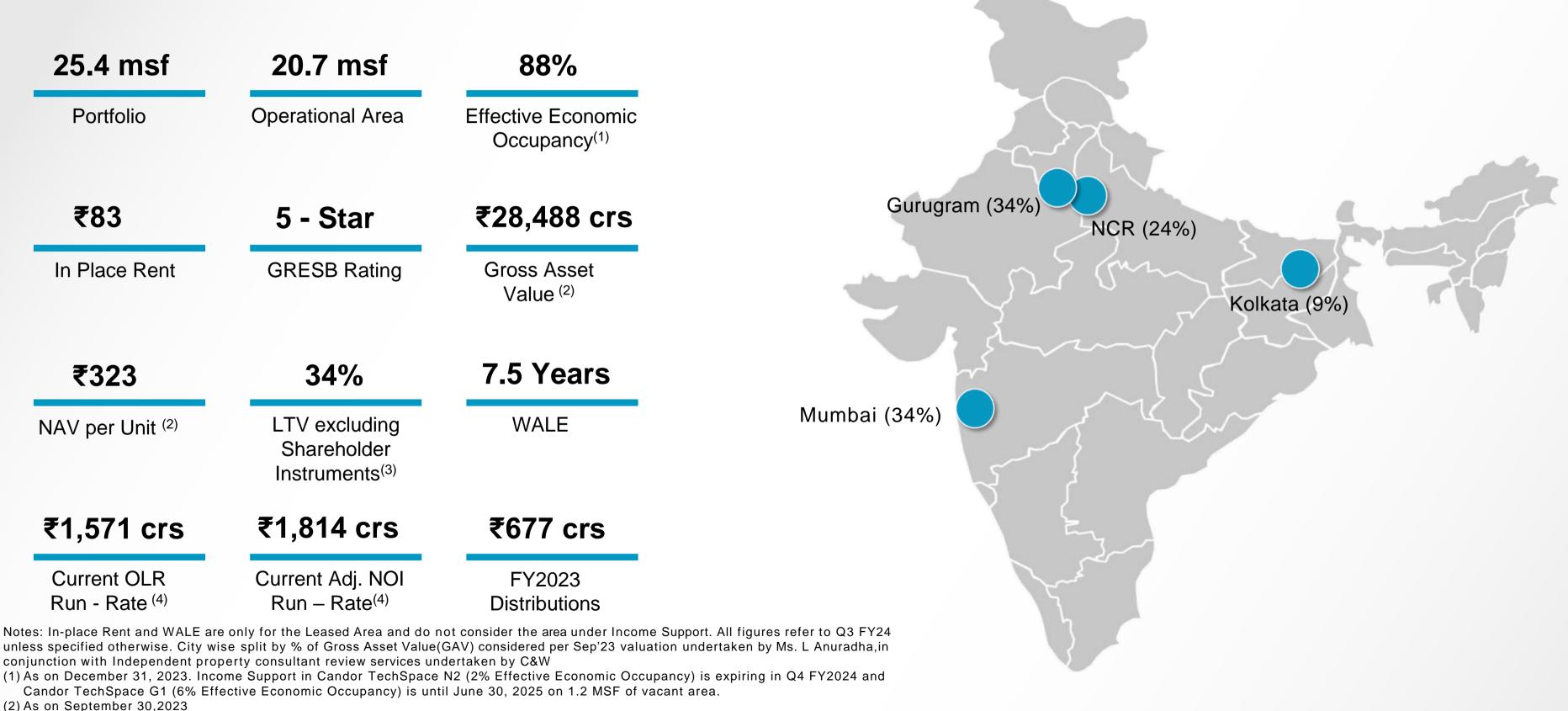
⁽⁴⁾ Fortune 500 Global List of 2023

⁽⁵⁾ Represents 100% of the SPVs including minority interest in Madhapur SPV; Includes ₹186 mn one time compensation at The Square BKC (6) For the purpose of Net Debt and LTV calculation, Cash and Cash Equivalents, Fixed Deposits (with tenure > 3 months) which can be liquidated when required, accounting & minority adj. are reduced from Gross Debt; and Market value is as on Dec 31, 2023

Overview: Brookfield India REIT



Brookfield India Real Estate Trust is India's first 100% institutionally managed REIT, which owns and operates class A office properties across 4 major cities in India



⁽³⁾ Shareholder instruments include SPV level external partners' NCD and liability component of CCD

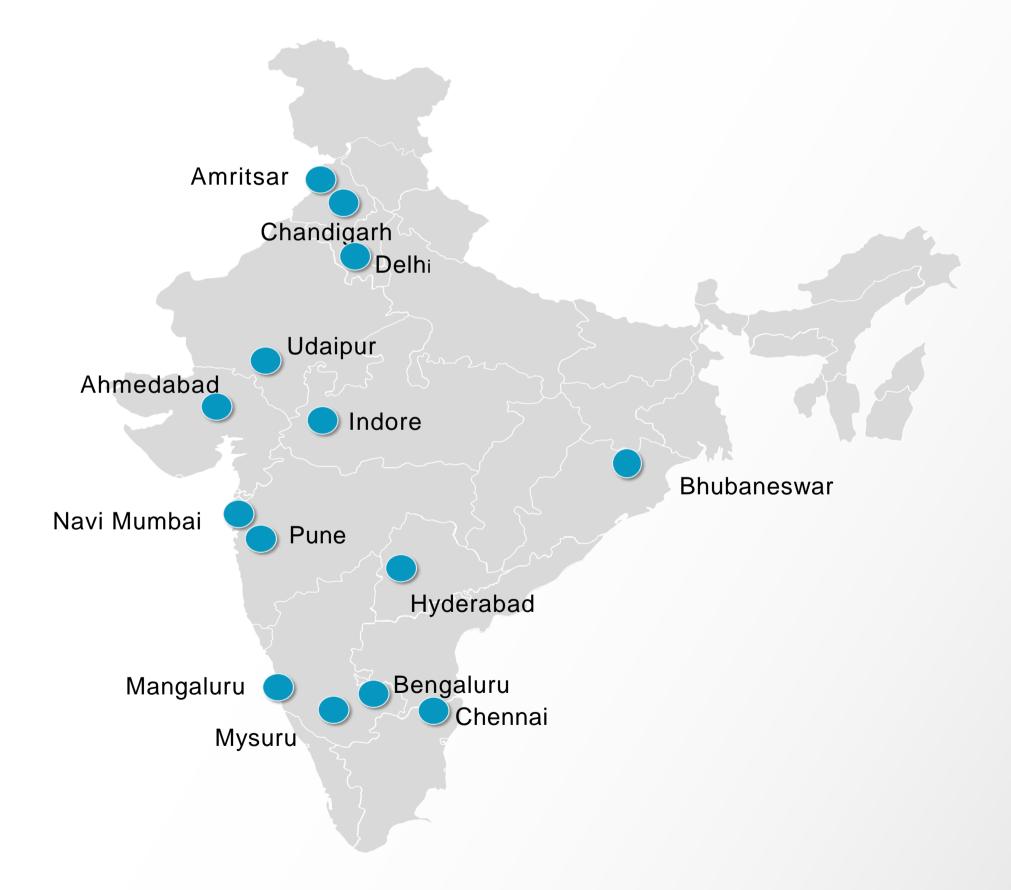
⁽⁴⁾ Annualized figure for Q3 FY2024

Overview: Nexus Select Trust



Nexus Select Trust is India's first listed retail REIT and leading Grade-A Consumption Centre platform

9.9 msf	1.3 msf	17	
Retail Portfolio	Office Portfolio	Consumption Centers	
14	354	97%	
Cities	Hotel Keys	Retail Portfolio Occupancy	
~ 3,000	1,000+	₹138	
Retail Stores	Brands	NAV per Unit (1)	
~ 13 crs	11.1%	14%	
LTM Footfalls	Rent to Sales (2)	LTV (1)	



⁽¹⁾ Computed basis GAV as per Sep'23 independent valuation. Excluding restricted cash

Four Listed REITs in India



Currently, three office REITs and one retail REIT are listed in India, backed by renowned sponsors

Description	Embassy REIT	Mindspace REIT	Brookfield India REIT	Nexus Select Trust
Listing Date	April 01, 2019	August 07, 2020	February 16, 2021	May 19, 2023
Primary Asset Class	Office	Office	Office	Retail Malls
Market Capitalization	₹35,432 crs	₹20,172 crs	₹11,120 crs	₹19,227 crs
Gross Asset Value	₹52,651 crs	₹28,670 crs	₹28,488 crs	₹24,353 crs
Geographic Focus	Bengaluru, Mumbai, Pune, Noida	Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, Chennai	Mumbai, Gurgaon, Noida, Kolkata	Across 14 cities in India
Total Portfolio	45.4 msf	33.1 msf	25.4 msf	11.2 msf (9.9msf retail, 1.3 msf office)
Completed Area	35.8 msf	26.2 msf	20.7 msf	11.2 msf (9.9 msf retail, 1.3 msf office)
Sponsor Ownership	8%	63%	44%	43%
Sponsors	Embassy Group, Blackstone	K Raheja Corp	Brookfield	Blackstone

Source: Market capitalization based on the closing price on NSE as on Feb 29, 2024. All other data based on the latest available results (Q3 FY2024) and filings on respective REIT websites



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