

# GIS- enabled Land bank

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## In news

GIS Enabled Land Bank gaining popularity. Its website has seen a 30% increase in views.

## About GIS Enabled Land Bank

- The India Industrial Land Bank (IILB) is a GIS-based portal – a one-stop repository of all industrial infrastructure-related information.
- It has information related to connectivity, infra, natural resources & terrain, plot-level information on vacant plots, line of activity, and contact details.
- It was developed by the Department for Promotion of Industry & Internal Trade.
- It was developed by integrating the Industrial Information System (IIS) portal with the state GIS System.
- The initiative is being supported by
  - Invest India
  - The national investment promotion & facilitation agency
  - National Center of Geo-Informatics (NCoG)
  - National e-Governance Division (NeGD)
  - Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology and
  - Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geo-Informatics (BISAG).
- Industrial Information System (IIS) aims to provide:
  - **Information on available land** for prospective investors looking at setting up units in the country.
  - **GIS mapping** of industrial clusters.
  - The system also holds the **information about the**

**existing external and internal infrastructure** such as rail, road, air and port connectivity and other common facilities in and around the manufacturing clusters.

- Links to State GIS portals and State land banks.
- The system has been integrated with industry-based GIS systems of 17 states.
- It is planned to achieve pan-India integration by December 2021.
- It provides updates on land availability and plot level information to investors anywhere in the world on a real time basis and helps them make informed decisions.
- Information available includes forest, drainage; raw material heat maps (agricultural, horticulture, mineral layers); multiple layers of connectivity. National GIS-enabled Land.
- Information on Land bank is also accessible via the Homepage of the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.
- Currently, the IILB has approximately 4000 industrial parks mapped across an area of 5.5 lakh hectare of land, serving as a decision support system for investors scouting for land remotely.

## **Land Bank**

A land bank is an entity created by the government to help manage and dispose of land so that it can be redeveloped for a better, more productive use. Land banks act as a legal and financial mechanism to transform land properties. While a land bank provides short-term fiscal benefits, it can also act as a tool for planning long-term community development