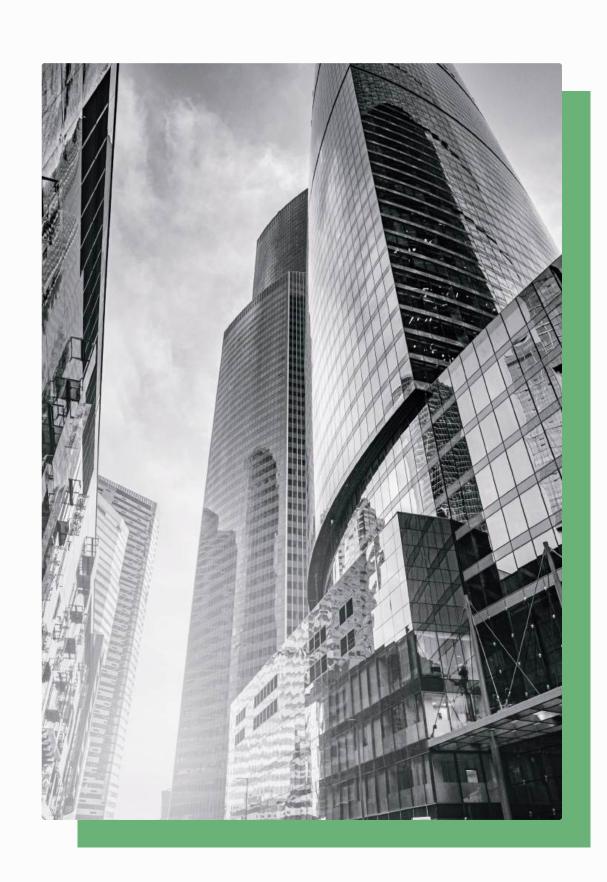


Strategy, Setup, Success - Delivered Seamlessly from GIFT City



## Introduction to IFSCA and GIFT IFSC —



India has made a bold entry into global finance through its International Financial Services Centres (IFSCs).

These zones are specially created for providing international financial services in foreign currencies under a simplified, business-friendly environment.

The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) is the unified regulator overseeing all financial activities within IFSCs, covering banking, insurance, capital markets, and fund management.

The first and only operational IFSC in India is located at Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City).

Known as GIFT IFSC, this financial hub is India's global gateway for cross-border transactions and offshore finance.

## Benefits of IFSC —

Setting up in GIFT IFSC offers a range of high-impact benefits that appeal to international businesses, financial institutions, and investors:

#### 100% Foreign Ownership

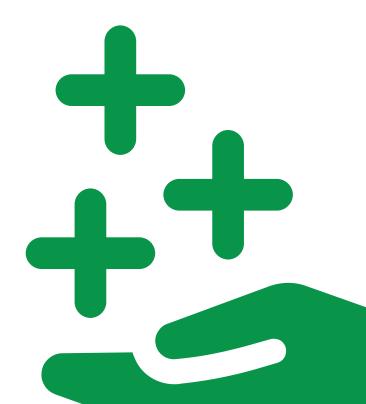
 Entities can be fully owned by foreign shareholders without restrictions, encouraging global participation.

#### **Tax Incentives**

- IFSC units enjoy a 10-year tax holiday out of 15 years,
- no GST on services to non-residents, and
- exemptions from stamp duty and securities transaction tax (STT).

#### **Global Market Access:**

• Businesses can transact with international clients in foreign currencies, opening up limitless opportunities beyond Indian borders.



#### **Unified Regulation**

• A single regulator (IFSCA) oversees all financial services, reducing red tape and improving ease of doing business.

#### Time Zone Advantage

 Operate efficiently across time zones including London, Singapore, and Dubai, enabling real-time global trade.

#### **Relaxed Compliance**

Simpler reporting and governance frameworks as compared to onshore entities.

#### **Innovation Friendly**

• IFSCA's FinTech sandbox promotes experimentation with digital finance, RegTech, InsurTech, and other disruptive models.

# GIFT City – Location, Benefits, Infrastructure

GIFT City is India's first operational smart city and international finance hub, offering a futuristic business environment. Located between Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar, GIFT City provides top-tier infrastructure and seamless connectivity

- 20 minutes from Sardar Vallabhbhai
   Patel International Airport
- 15 minutes from the upcoming Ahmedabad-Mumbai bullet train terminal
- Direct access to National Highway 48 and metro rail connectivity to Ahmedabad



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GIFT City is a benchmark in urban planning and integrated infrastructure. Key features include:

- **Underground Utility Tunnel**: Houses power, water, and telecom lines to ensure reliability and easy maintenance
- **District Cooling System:** India's first large-scale cooling system reduces energy consumption and enhances sustainability
- City Command & Control Centre (C4): Monitors infrastructure, security, utilities, and emergency response in real-time
- Automated Waste Collection: Pneumatic system collects waste through underground pipes to promote cleanliness and hygiene
- FTTP Broadband Connectivity: High-speed internet infrastructure ensures seamless digital operations
- Power and Water Infrastructure: 24x7 availability with built-in redundancy for uninterrupted services



- Plug-and-play workspaces for immediate operations
- Single-window clearance for quick setup
- 20% lower operating costs compared to other metros
- No stamp duty or registration charges on property
- Reliable power and water supply
- Skilled talent pool from surrounding institutions

# IFSC Services Offered by Nexpective Advisors

As a multidisciplinary advisory firm based in Vadodara and GIFT City, Nexpective Advisors provides tailored support for financial institutions, global enterprises, and startups:

#### **IFSC Services**

GIFT City IFSC is India's gateway to global finance. We specialize in enabling domestic and international entities to establish and operate in this ecosystem. Our IFSC-focused services include:



## **Entity Setup and Licensing**

- Structuring business models for IFSC operations
- End-to-end support for IFSCA license applications
- SEZ unit registration and operational approvals



## Regulatory Compliance & Governance

- Filing of IFSCA returns and reports
- Statutory secretarial support
- FEMA, Companies Act, and SEZ Act compliance



## Strategic Business Support

- Eligibility evaluation for IFSC activities
- Structuring of fintech and capital market setups
- Inbound and outbound investment planning



## **IFSCA Reporting Advisory**

- Digital and XBRL-based filing compliance
- Ongoing regulatory updates and impact assessments

#### **SEZ Compliance**

With the GIFT SEZ as our base, we help clients manage end-to-end SEZ operations and compliance. Our services include:

### **Unit Registration & Licensing**

- Project report drafting for SEZ approvals
- Bonding and customs duty documentation

#### **Documentation & Certification**

- CA certifications for NFE and statutory compliance
- Document preparation for SEZ audits

### Compliance Management

- Monthly operational reporting to DC office
- Annual Performance Reports (APR) and QPR filings

#### SEZ Exit & De-notification

- Advisory on de-bonding processes
- Exit planning and regulatory closure



#### **Other Services**

- Accounting Advisory: Support with Ind AS, IFRS, US GAAP, financial reporting, foreign currency accounting, and audit assistance.
- **Tax Advisory:** Income tax and GST compliance, international taxation, tax structuring, and optimization strategies for IFSC entities.
- **Financial Advisory:** Business valuations, due diligence, transaction support, and Virtual CFO services tailored for growth.
- **Reporting & Compliance:** Preparation of financial statements, SOPs, accounting policy manuals, and regulatory documentation.
- **Strategic Insights:** Business modelling, feasibility studies, and investor pitch support for informed decision-making.

# Eligible Activities in GIFT IFSC

GIFT IFSC permits a wide range of international financial services:

**Banking** 

Insurance & Reinsurance

**FinTech** 

Aircraft & Ship Leasing **Capital Markets** 

**Fund Management** 

Global In-House Centres (GICs)

**Ancillary Services** 

Metals and Commodities

**Foreign Universities** 

Payment Services

BATF(Book-keeping, Accounting, Taxation and Financial Crime)
Compliance Services.

# Process to Set Up a Unit in GIFT City

Setting up an IFSC unit is a fast and streamlined process with centralized regulatory support:

- **Business Model Planning**: Identify your services, target clients, and licensing requirements. Determine the best legal entity structure.
- Entity Incorporation: Register your company, LLP, or branch.

  Align capital structure, management, and business plan with IFSCA guidelines.
- Application to IFSCA: Submit application for registration and license. Include business model, regulatory declarations, and compliance checks.
- Office Space & SEZ Approvals: Obtain space in GIFT City via the provisional letter of allotment and coordinate SEZ permissions.
- Commencement of Operations: On approval, commence business. Set up systems for accounting, governance, compliance, and audit.

# How Nexpective Advisors Can Help ——

Nexpective Advisors is your on-ground partner in GIFT IFSC, guiding you through every step of your business journey:

#### **Our Role**

- Strategy & Structuring: Assess your business model, advise on licensing and tax matters
- End-to-End Execution: Complete IFSCA/SEZ filings, incorporation, workspace setup, and onboarding
- Compliance & Governance: Implement control systems, AML/KYC policies, regulatory reporting
- Ongoing Partnership: CFO services, analytics, business scaling, and investor reporting



# Thank You



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