



High Speed Rail in India-a perspective after a decade of Planning

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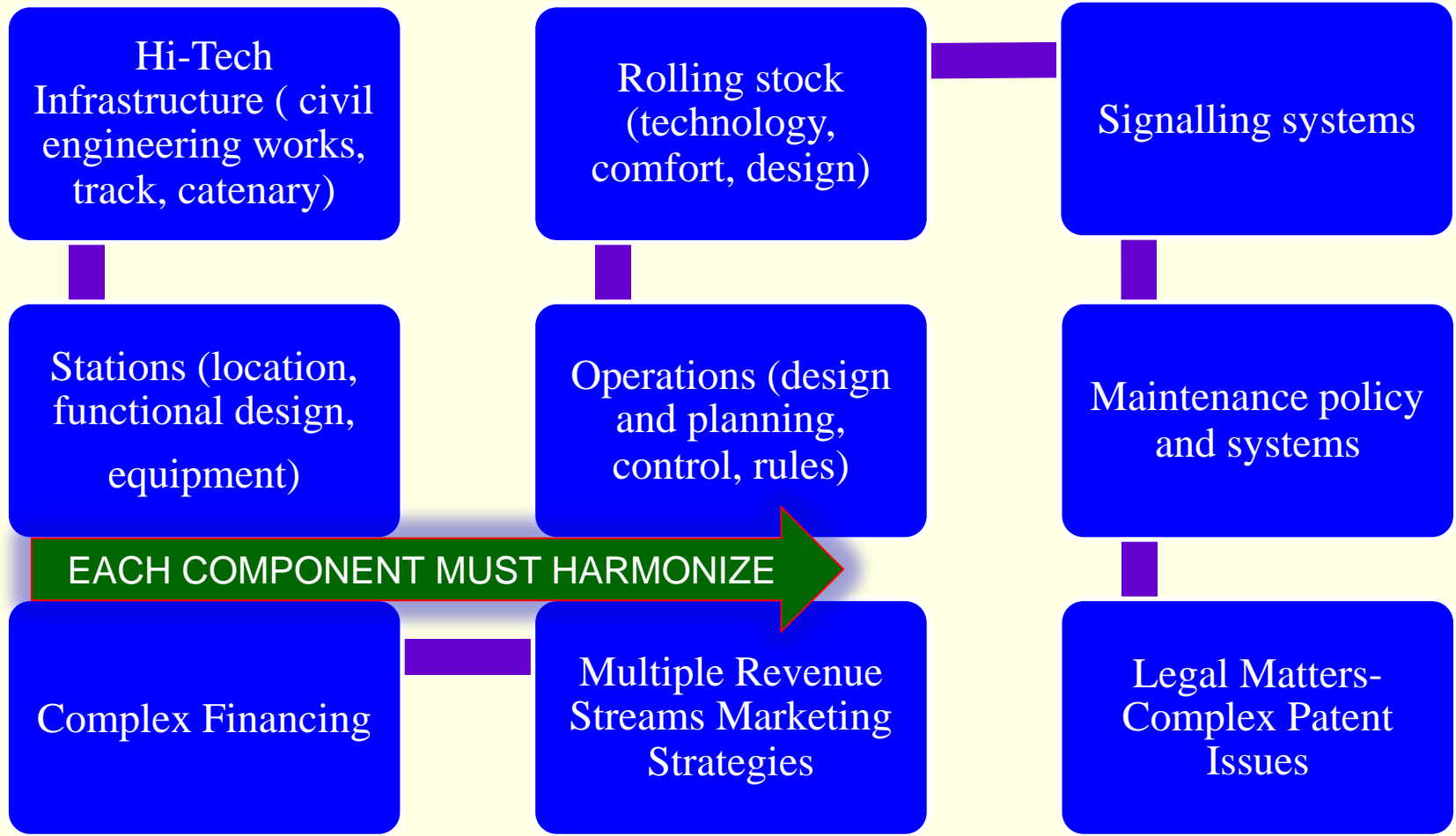


India needs a National Policy on HSR

- ★ **Public Debate-** a Railway Project or a new Mode of Transport →
- ★ **Legislation – Act of Parliament and State legislatures** covering
 - Definition of High Speed
 - Corridor Selection criteria →
 - Commercial intent, Subsidies to HSR
 - Government levies and grants
- ★ **Need to position HSR-** beyond a faster train service - Urbanization and Regional Development through Railways expansion and speed upgrades, High end industrialization based on Advanced Rail Technology →
- ★ **Technology Acquisition Policy**



HSR- A complex mix of State of the Art Technology

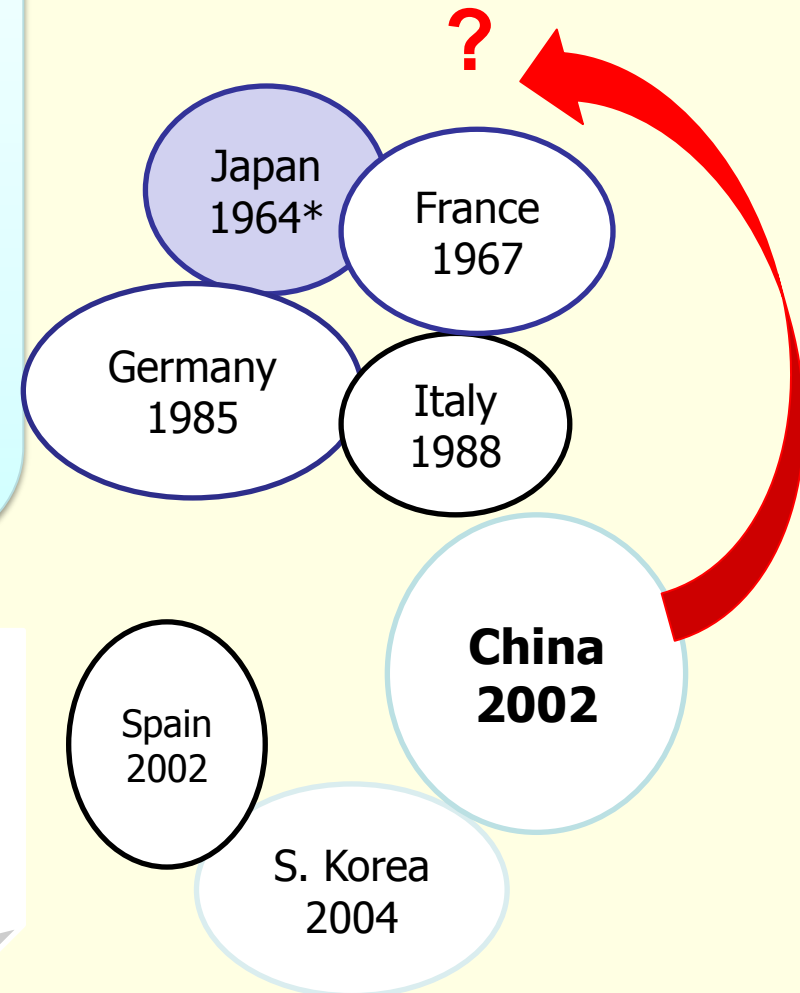


Block I: HSR Technology Leaders, Techno-Commercial Innovators



Objective: Domestic Mode of Transport, - eye on Innovation Mercantilism
Exclusive Residency of Technology Leadership,
Commercial Success – Robust Domestic Manufacturing Industry base
Export of Product/Projects
Nurture own GDP

Method: Develop Nation Wide Network, Established HSR Technology Residency
Commercial Success – Built up National Wealth through Export, Retained Technology Leadership through R&D



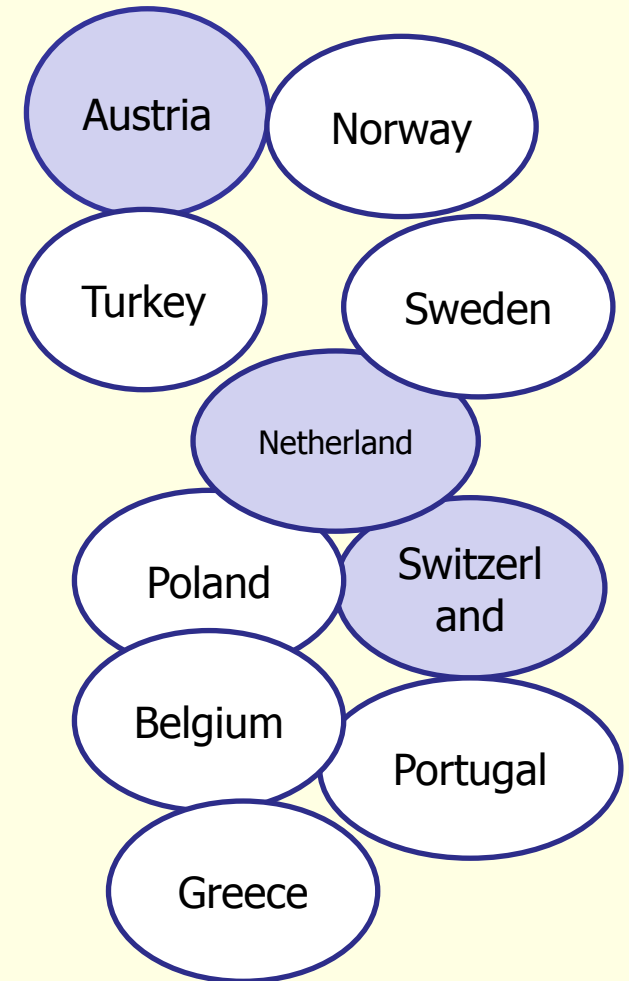


Block II: Smaller players with Techno Commercial Appetite but HSR for EU access

Objective: Access to EU – International Connectivity within EU and pass through domestic network with an eye on smaller degree of Techno- Commercialism by a few countries like Austria, Netherlands



Method: Adopt HSR only to gain access to EU/
Establish Limited Domestic Network as a through transport mode



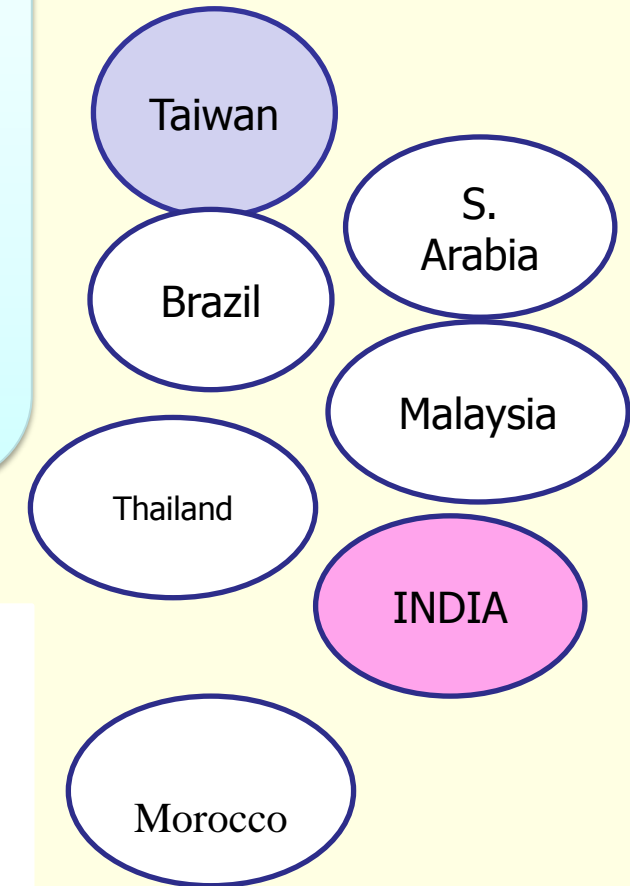


Block III: HSR only as Transport Mode through procurement of projects

Objective: Limited Domestic Corridors- No Technology capabilities, No Techno- Commercial ambitions



Method: Buy and Operate mode
Mostly at various Stages of Planning





National Technology Acquisition and Residency policy

Quest for Advanced Rail Technology will require

- ✓ Targeted increase in contribution of Science & Technology to Economic Growth (GDP) and share of High Tech in Manufacturing Industries
- ✓ Techno- Nationalism Driven Active role of Central Govt - catching Up with Frontier Technologies of desired areas/sectors
- ✓ Stated National Technology Policy - supports absorption and diffusion of acquired foreign Technology- Stated policy on Localization- target phased 80% share in joint ventures, designated Nationally Accredited Design Institutions
- ✓ Support Policy for indigenous innovation
- ✓ Pro-Active Role of Central Govt in Tech Transfers, Patents, R&D benefits and support for selected priority Sector Industries



CONCLUSIONS

- ★ Conventional investment models variables like travel demand forecasting, money value for time, inter modal transport shifts, ridership revenues etc. fail to capture the complexities of HSR. Can give misleading results and make for very costly mistakes
- ★ These models also fail to capture the transformational impact of HSR on economic activities and regions.
- ★ Committed Funding has long been seen as the only hurdle to HSR in India. Even funding requires a policy.



Thank you



Public Debate on HSR- lessons from USA

- ★ **US Government needs to state the Rationale for HSR in USA-** need to develop a *written strategic vision* for high-speed rail- role high-speed rail systems in national transportation system.
 - Identify potential objectives and goals for HSR
 - Roles federal and other stakeholders
 - Guidance on Methods for reliability of ridership/ viability forecasts
- ★ b) There is need for **long-term dedicated funding** with Federal backing as protection from changing political priorities.
- ★ c) The FRA must assess **total cost commitments and detailed financial plans** with committed sources of funding must be addressed.
- ★ d) FRA will face intense **political pressure to spread funds country wide-** thus the need for transparent, objective criteria for selection of only worthy corridors





2011- 53 Million Plus Cities

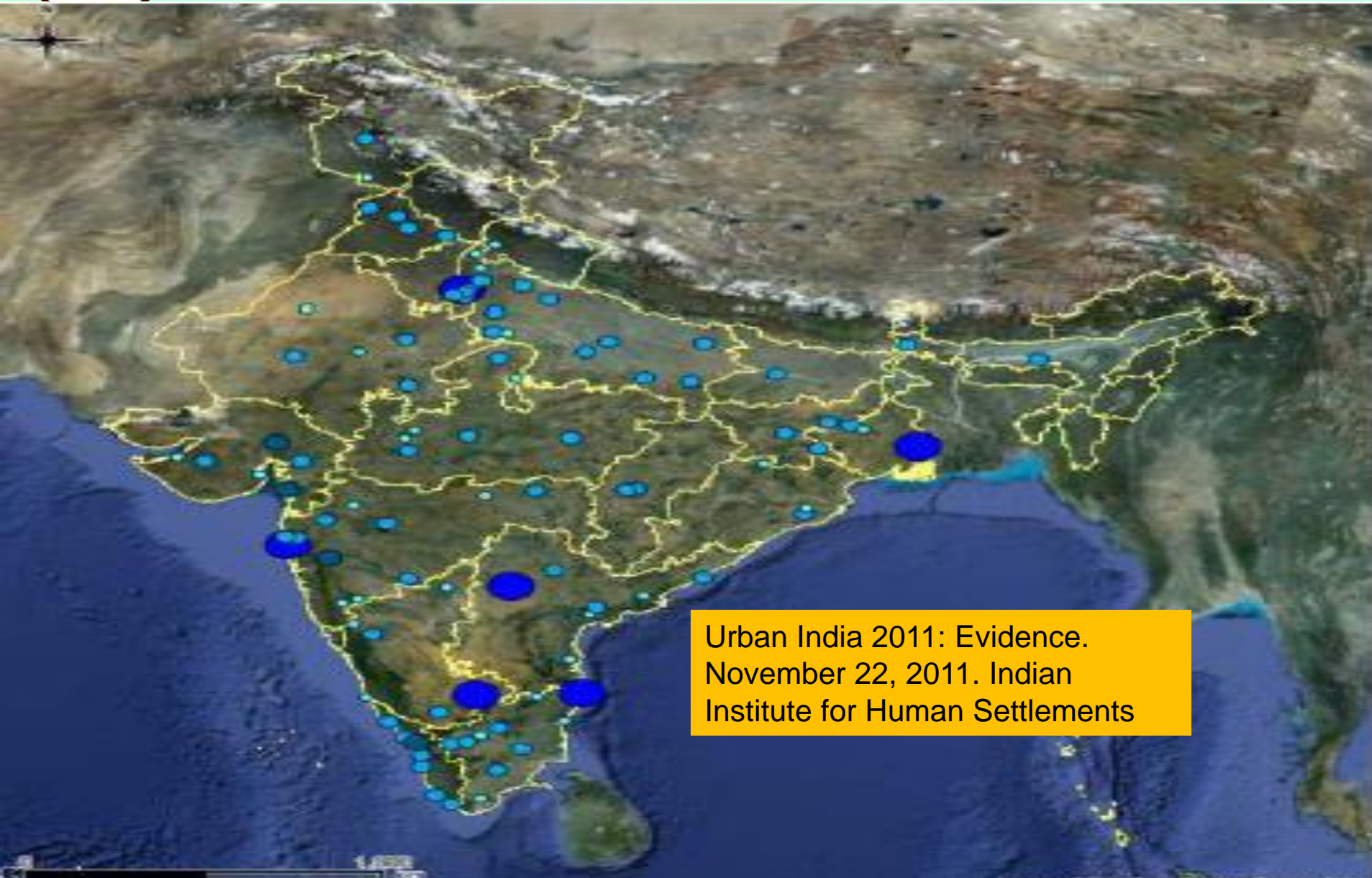


Three 10 million+ cities

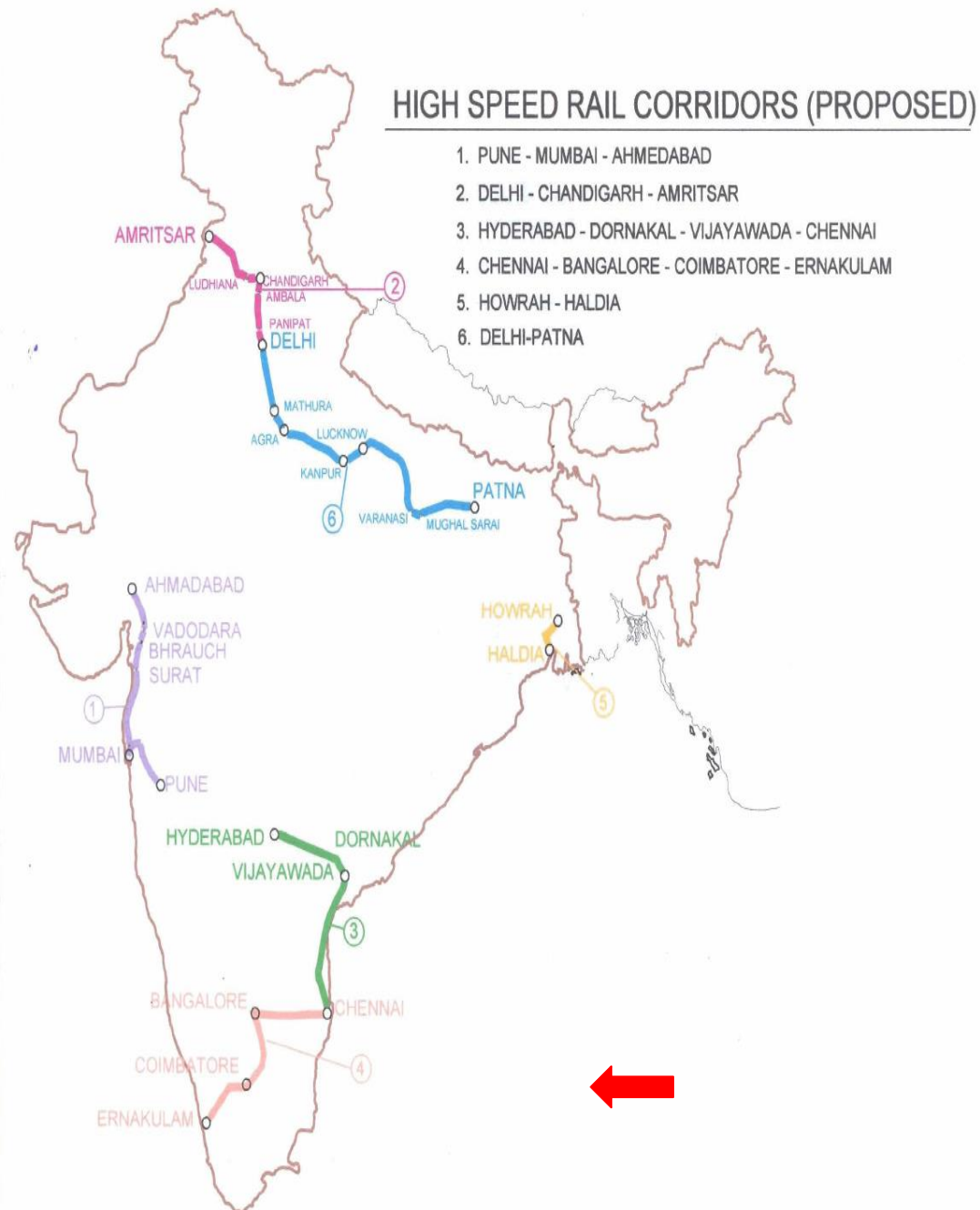




2031: Six 10 Million+ cities



Urban India 2011: Evidence.
November 22, 2011. Indian
Institute for Human Settlements

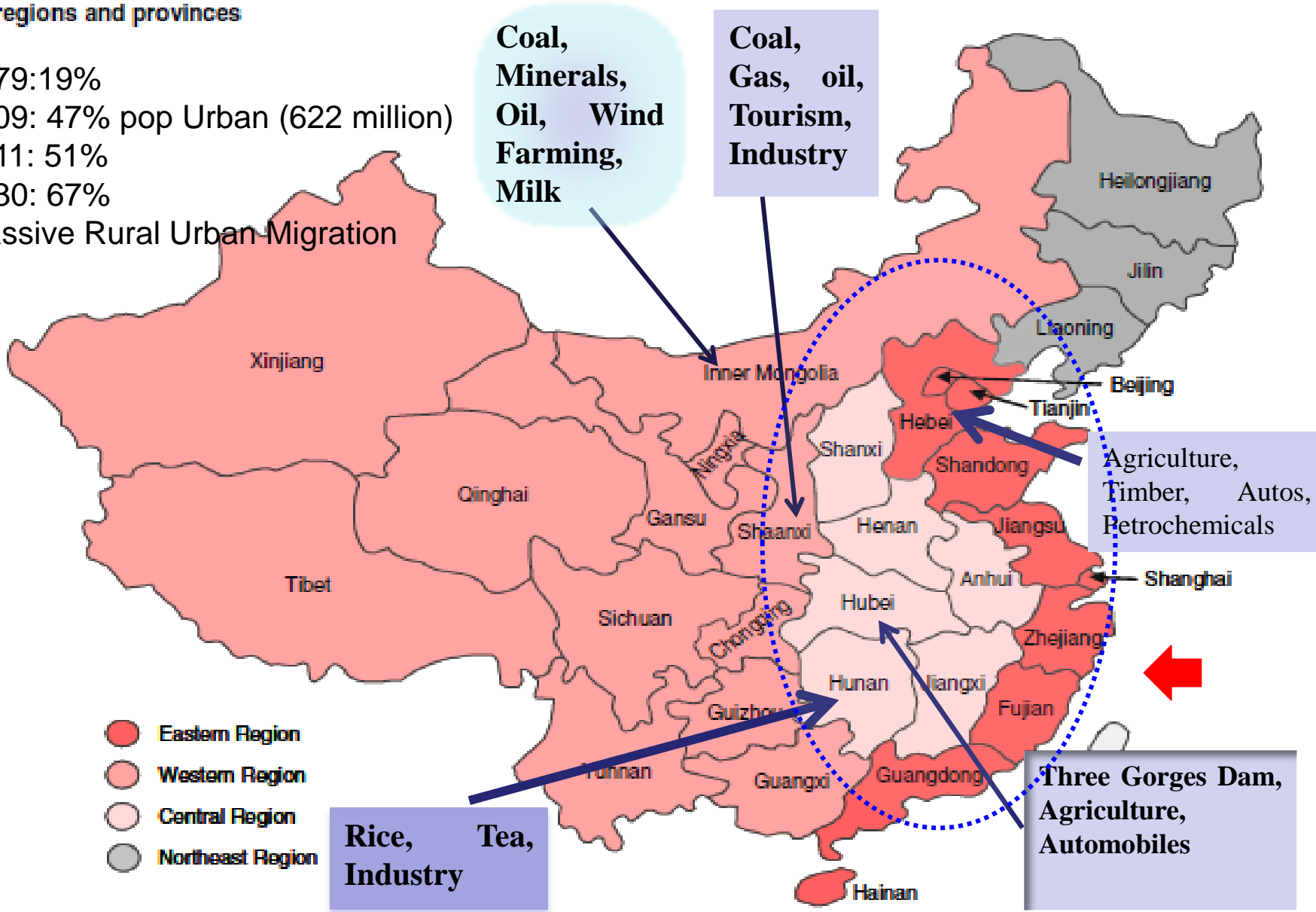


Geographic and Economic Rebalancing of provincial Growth



China's regions and provinces

1979: 19%
 2009: 47% pop Urban (622 million)
 2011: 51%
 2030: 67%
 Massive Rural Urban-Migration



INDIAN RAILWAYS - Some Highlights

- ★ Indian Railways is the largest railway system in Asia and largest railway system under a single management.
- ★ Indian Railways is the second largest railway system in the World.
- ★ The Total Railway Route Length is 63,140 km.
- ★ Number of Railway Stations - over 7,500
- ★ Number of Locomotives - over 7,800
- ★ Passenger Service Vehicles - 39,236
- ★ Coaches - 40,000
- ★ Wagons - 3,26,000
- ★ Passenger traffic has increased from 1,284 passengers in 1950-51, to about 13 million passengers per day.
- ★ Indian Railways carries 1.3 million tons of freight every day.
- ★ 14,300 trains ply every day in India.
- ★ IR is the largest employer in the country, with about 1.6 million people



RAILWAY ZONES

Railways	Headquarters
Central	Mumbai CST
Eastern	Kolkata
Northern	New Delhi
North Eastern	Gorakhpur
North East Frontier	Maligaon (Guwahati)
Southern	Chennai
South Central	Secunderabad
South Eastern	Kolkata
Western	Church Gate, Mumbai
East Central Railway	Hajipur
East Coast Railway	Bhubaneswar
North Central Railway	Allahabad

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 Indira Point



In 1982 the only city considered by the Texas Transportation Institute to be congested was Los Angeles. By 2005, 27 additional cities met such criteria. The image illustrates that much of the National Highway System, even on intercity routes, is anticipated to be congested during peak periods by 2035 without significant infrastructural improvements

PEAK-PERIOD CONGESTION





US DOT Federal Railroad Administration Map

VISION *for* HIGH-SPEED RAIL *in* AMERICA





HSR Nations- UIC 2013 (http://uic.asso.fr/IMG/pdf/20130701_high_speed_lines_in_the_world.pdf)

	In Operation	Under Construction	Planned	Total	Max Speed
Austria	93				250
Belgium	209				260/300
France	2036	757	2407	5200	320
Germany	1334	428	495	2257	250/300
Italy	923		395	1318	250/300
Netherlands	120				300
Poland	712				300
Spain	2515	1308	1702	5525	250/300
Switzerland	35	72		107	250
UK	113		204	317	300/360
China	9760	9081	3777	22618	200/350
Japan	2664	779	179	3622	260/320
Taiwan	345			345	300
South Korea	412	186	49	647	300
Turkey	444	603	1758	2805	250
Saudi Arabia		550		550	300
Morocco		200	480	680	300
Portugal			1006	1006	250/350
Russia			650	650	300
Sweden			750	750	300
India			495	495	250
Brazil			511	511	300
USA			777	777	300
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USA and India- intent expressed but unable to take a decision- on Technology Acquisition or Network expansion benefits