Useful links & Information:

Guidelines for applying for PAN CARD in INDIA

http://www.indiantradeportal.in

This portal gives information on item-wiseExport and Import policy conditions of India. Free Business tool to Search, Select and Send business queries to suppliers from India (Updated data of around 29000 companies from various industry sectors); Free E-mail(global) alerts on the updates on portal- Tariff, SPS/TBT matters, Item-wiseExport-Import policy etc. Subscription on the portal is free.

http://www.makeinindia.com/

The Make in India program includes major new initiatives designed to facilitate investment, foster innovation, protect intellectual property, and build best-in-class manufacturing infrastructure.

http://www.indiainbusiness.nic.in

Website of the Investment and Technology Promotion Division of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India

http://deity.gov.in/

Website of the Department of Electronics & Information Technology, Ministry of Communications & IT, Government of India.

www.dipp.nic.in

Website of the Department of Industrial Policy& Promotion, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

http://www.ibef.org

India Resource Centre encapsulating the success stories of brand India.

http://www.fieo.org

Federation of Indian Export Organizations (FIEO) is an apex body of Indian export promotion organizations. It has weekly updated database of around 12,000 member exporting companies across India. The "Search" business tool and the "Chat Service" help to select the Indian companies of choice and match up with the right counterpart in India.

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http://www.ficci.com

A national organisation that represents and aggregates multiple Chambers of Commerce.

http://www.cii.in/

Website of the Confederation of Indian Industry.

www.assocham.org

Website of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of India.

http://www.indiatradefair.com/

India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO), the premier trade promotion agency of the Govt. of India for organizing trade fairs

http://www.goidirectory.nic.in/index.php

Government of India Web search.

http://www.sarkaritel.com

Directory, links, and general information about the central government from an unofficial website.

http://finmin.nic.in/

Ministry of Finance, Government of India

http://www.rbi.org.in/home.aspx

Reserve Bank of India

www.mospi.nic.in

Website of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India

http://www.cmie.com/

Databases and information products about India's economy.

http://www.ncaer.org/

National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER), India's premier economic research institution, specialising in policy research

http://www.icrier.org/

Website of the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations

http://pbd-india.com

Information on Pravasi Bharatiya Divas.

http://www.worldbank.org/

The World Bank

http://www.imf.org/

IMF Home page with links to News, About the IMF, Fund Rates, IMF Publications, What's New, Standards and Codes, Country Information and featured topics.

http://www.adb.org/

The Asian Development Bank (ADB), a multilateral development finance institution, promotes economic and social progress by fighting poverty in Asia

https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/

Union Budget and Economic Survey: This website provides detailed information about the Union Budget of the Government of India and Economic Survey released every year prior to the Budget Exercise.

http://www.makeinindia.com/policy/foreign-direct-investment/

A general overview of India's FDI policy is available.

http://dipp.nic.in/

Updated briefs and others Details regarding FDI Policy, Industrial Policy, National Design Policy, India's IPR Policy, North East Industrial and Investment Promotion Policy, National Manufacturing policy; Relevant acts and legislation for Investment promotion; Comprehensive details regarding GoI running schemes and rules for Investment Promotion etc. can be accessed at the website of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion. The website also provides information about International Cooperation agreements and MoUs signed by the Government of India for Investment Promotion.

www.investindia.gov.in

Invest India will assists investors in accessing relevant information on investment policies and procedures,tax rates, skill availability, facilities provided by states,investment opportunities in different sectors, list of consultants etc.In addition, it will help investors in setting up their businesses in India.

Foreign Exchange Management (Acquisition and transfer of Immovable Property in India) Regulations' 2000[Notification No.FEMA.21/2000-RB dated May 3, 2000]

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/BS ECMNotificationUserView.aspx?Id=161

Exchange Control Manual of RBI

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/BS_ECMCategory.aspx

Foreign Exchange Management Act 1999: http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=199942

Regulations of RBI on Exchange Control:

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/BS ECMNotification.aspx

Notifications of RBI on Exchange Control:

http://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/Bs FemaNotifications.aspx

FAQs on Accounts opened by Foreign Nationals and Foreign Tourists:

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/FAQview.aspx?id=30

Acquisition and Transfer of Immovable Property in India by a person resident outside India and Foreigners:

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/FAQview.aspx?id=33

www.ebiz.gov.i

Procedure to be followed for Industrial license has been made online through eBiz portal.

http://environmentclearance.nic.in

Submission of environmental clearances for setting up of new projects can be made online.

https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/Pages/default.asp

Taxation in India: Website of the Income tax Department of the Government of India.

Useful links on this website for NRIs, Investors etc are:

Taxation information Services

Tax Laws and Rules

Important Provisions for Non Residents planning to set up Business in India

Important provisions for Non Residents under Income tax Acts, Company Act, FEMA etc.

International Taxation related

Comprehensive information regarding Goods and Service tax, including relevant lawas and implementation can be accessed here.

Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority Act

Insurance sector in India has been traditionally dominated by state owned Life Insurance Corporation and General Insurance Corporation and its four subsidiaries. Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority (IRDA) is the regulatory authority in the insurance sector under the Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority Act, 1999. Website

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) established under the Securities and Exchange aboard of India Act, 1992 is the regulatory authority for capital markets in India. Wesbite

Forwards Market Commission (FMC)

FMC is the chief regulator of the commodity(MCX, NCDEX, NMCE, UCX etc) of the Indian futures market. The main aim of this body is to advise the Central Government on matters of the Forwards Contracts Act, 1952. Website

Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority:

IRDA is the apex statutory body, which regulates and at the same time, develops the insurance industry. Website

Important Economic laws of India

Reserve Bank of India Act 1934: http://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/Publications/PDFs/RBIAM 230609.pdf

Insurance Act, 1938: www.irdaindia.org

Industries (Development and Regulation) Act, 1951: http://siadipp.nic.in/publicat/ip/ipact01.htm

Industrial Disputes Act, 1947: http://www.indialawinfo.com/bareacts/ida.html Environment (Protection) Act, 1986: http://envfor.nic.in/legis/env/env1.html

Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992: Please click to visit the website

Income-tax Act, **1961:** http://law.incometaxindia.gov.in/TaxmannDit/DisplayPage/dpage1.aspx **Foreign Exchange Management Act**, **1999:** http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=199942

Customs Act, 1962: http://www.cbec.gov.in/customs/cs-act/cs-act-idx.htm

Customs Tariff Act 1975: http://www.cbec.gov.in/customs/cst-0708/cst-main.htm Central Excise Act, 1944: http://www.cbec.gov.in/excise/cx-act/cx-act-idx.htm

Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985, 1986: http://www.cbec.gov.in/excise/cx-tariff0708/cxt0708-idx.htm

Companies Act, 1956 and 2013: http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/companiesact.html

Patents Act, 1970: http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patents.htm

Copyright Act 1957: http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=195714
Trade Marks Act , 1999: http://did.nic.in/ipr/trademark/tmmain.htm

Securities and Exchange Board of India Act 1992: Please click to visit the website

Central Electricity Act 2003: http://cea.nic.in/reports/electricity_act2003.pdf

Information Technology Act 2000: http://www.dot.gov.in/act-rules/information-technology-act-2000

Constitution of India: http://indiacode.nic.in/coiweb/welcome.html

Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

Detailed information about the Indian Patents Act is available at the website of Controller of Patents, Designs and Trademarks at:

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patents.htm

The Patents Act 1970:

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patAct1970-3-99.html

The Patents (Amendment) Act 1999:

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patact 99.PDF

The Patents (Amendment) Act 2002:

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patentg.pdf

The Patents (Amendment) Act 2005:

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/patent/patent_2005.pdf

For Patent e-filing service please visit:

https://ipindiaonline.gov.in/epatentfiling/goForLogin/doLogin

Copyrights and related rights

www.copyright.gov.in

Trademarks

Further details regarding trademarks protection are available at the website of Controller of Patents, Designs and Trademarks

http://ipindia.nic.in/tmr_new/default.htm

Trademarks Act 1999

http://ipindia.nic.in/tmr_new/tmr_act_rules/tmr_act.pdf

Trademarks Rules 2002

http://ipindia.nic.in/tmr_new/tmr_act_rules/tmr_rules_2002.pdf

Geographical indications

Further details regarding geographical indications protection are available at the website of Controller of Patents Trademarks and Designs

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/gi/geo_ind.htm

The Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act 1999

http://wbbb.nic.in/Legislations/rules/The Geographical Indication of Goods Act 1999.pdf

The Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Rules 2002

http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/gi/Girule~1.PDF

Protection of Plant varieties

Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture

http://agricoop.nic.in/

The Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Act 2001

http://agricoop.nic.in/PPV&FR%20Act,%202001.pdf

Industrial Designs

For further details, visit the website of Controller of Patents Designs and Trademarks

at http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/design/designs.htm

General Information Booklet for Applicants of Designs: http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/design/design_proc.htm

The Designs Act 2000: http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/design/design_act.PDF

The Designs Rules 2001: http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/design/des_rule.PDF

The Designs (Amendment) Rules 2003: http://ipindia.nic.in/ipr/design/design_r_03.pdf

Incorporation of a Company

For further details please visit the website of Ministry of Company Affairs

http://www.mca.gov.in/

http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/RegisterNewComp.html

A foreign company can establish its place of business in India by filling Form FC-1 (Documents delivered for registration by a foreign company). The eForm has to be digitally signed by authorized representative of the foreign company. Website: http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/AboutFiling.html

 $\textbf{Foreign Exchange Management (Establishment in India of branch or office or other place of business) Regulations,} \\ \textbf{2000} \\ \textbf{http://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_FemaNotifications.aspx?} \\ \textbf{Id} \\ \textbf{=} 176$

Foreign Exchange Management (Establishment in India of branch or office or other place of business) (Amendment) Regulations, 2003

http://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS FemaNotifications.aspx?Id=1416

Foreign Exchange Management (Establishment in India of branch or office or other place of business) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2003

http://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_FemaNotifications.aspx?Id=1450

Foreign Exchange Management (Establishment in India of Branch or Office or Other Place of Business) (Amendment) Regulations, 2005

http://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_FemaNotifications.aspx?Id=2469

Form FNC-I for opening a Branch/Project/Liaison Office http://rbidocs.rbi.org.in/rdocs/Forms/PDFs/form-fnc1.pdf

Exchange Control manual of RBI

http://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/BS ECMCategory.aspx

Foreign Exchange Management Act 1999

http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=199942

http://commerce.gov.in/Index.aspx

Department of Commerce

http://commerce.gov.in/InnerContent.aspx?Id=5

Various Public Sector Undertakings working under Department of Commerce

http://commerce.gov.in/InnerContent.aspx?Id=6

Export Promotion Councils working under Department of Commerce

http://commerce.gov.in/InnerContent.aspx?Id=4

Autonomous bodies including all Commodity Boards working under the Department of Commerce

http://www.indiatradefair.com/

Website of ITPO. IT has details of Trade Fair and events in India-base.

https://www.fieo.org/

Federation of Indian Export Organisations

Website of Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India is: http://labour.nic.in

List of various central labour laws http://labour.nic.in/act/welcome.html

Workmen's Compensation Act 1923

http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=192308

Minimum Wages Act 1948 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=194811

Payment of Wages Act 1936 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=193604

Industrial Disputes Act 1947

http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=194714

Payment of Bonus Act 1965 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=196521

Payment of Gratuity Act 1972 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=197239

Maternity Benefit Act 1961 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=196153

Industrial Employment (Standing orders) Act 1946 http://indiacode.nic.in/fullact1.asp?tfnm=194620