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India Market Monitor Q3 2022

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Economy

While the outlook for growth of the Indian economy has been moderated owing to tightening monetary conditions and recessionary global headwinds, its strong macro fundamentals are expected to ensure that it remains one of the key drivers of global growth



13.5% India's GDP growth in Q2 2022

Continued tightening in domestic financial conditions and recessionary forces in the US and the EU have led most agencies to cut their growth forecasts for key global economies, including India.

Growth forecast for 2022-23

7.3% S&P 7% RBI 6.8% IMF 6.5% World Bank

7%CBRE

Revised GDP rates for key APAC economies



Source: CBRE House View (January and October 2022)

Retail inflation in September 2022,up from 7% in August 2022.

Inflationary trends likely to persist in 2022



Source: CBRE House View for October 2022

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5.9%

Current repo rate after the central bank increased it by 50 bps in September 2022

Key policy steps in Q3 2022



How key high-frequency indicators fared in Q3 2022



PMI manufacturing remained in expansion zone but dropped in September owing to global headwinds



In Q3, total passenger vehicle sales stood at more than 1 million units, compared to 0.9 million in Q2



PMI services sector remained in the positive zone but was on a declining trajectory owing to slow new business inflows and inflationary pressures



India's GST collections surged by 26% Y-o-Y in September, marking the seventh consecutive month of the revenue exceeding the INR 1.4-lakh crore mark

PMAY (Urban)

extended until

December 2022

Three key risks to the Indian economy going forward



Soaring global inflation:

Impact visible on India where CPI has remained above the RBI's tolerance limit; volatility in crude oil prices could also lead to a high import bill



Weak currency: The Indian currency crossed the 80-mark versus the US dollar at the start of October. A weaker Rupee would raise the cost of imports, including fuel, thus enhancing inflationary pressures



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Energy Conservation (Amendment) Bill, 2022 passed in Lok Sabha

Bank credit deployment up 15.5% Y-o-Y in August 2022, compared to 6.7% growth in the same period in 2021. Credit deployment in commercial real estate grew by 4.8% Y-o-Y during August; deployment in NBFCs (including HFCs) also up substantially an allusion to pent-up demand being released into the market



Pressure on consumption:

A medium-term risk that could be a result of elevated price pressures and a probable muted wage rise owing to global recessionary forces



Office

Compared to 9M 2021, the office sector witnessed a significant recovery in leasing activity in 9M 2022 with the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, a gradual acceleration of return to office (RTO), expansion by occupiers and the release of post-pandemic pent-up demand

30% Q-o-Q fall in leasing in Q3 2022

~42.1 mn sq. ft. Leasing activity in 9M 2022, a rise of almost 66% Y-o-Y 43% Q-o-Q drop in supply in Q3 2022

65% Cumulative share of Bangalore, Mumbai and Delhi-NCR in leasing activity in Q3 2022

Rental recovery continued across several cities due to sustained recovery in leasing, moderating vacancy levels and persistent demand for investment-grade assets. Multiple micro-markets across Delhi-NCR, Mumbai, Chennai and Pune, in addition to NBD Manyata in Bangalore, witnessed a rental growth of **1-6% Q-o-Q**





~35.6 mn sq. ft. Total supply addition in 9M 2022, a growth of 4% Y-o-Y

62% Combined share of Bangalore, Delhi-NCR and Hyderabad in the supply addition in Q3 2022



OFFICE

Key industry sectors that drove leasing activity



Regional share in leasing activity



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Industrial & Logistics

Leasing activity picks up in Q3 2022, a nod towards the resilience of the Indian I&L sector. Supply addition remains slow but likely to pick up in the coming quarters

40% Q-o-Q rise and 18% Y-o-Y growth in

leasing in Q3 2022

Leasing activity in

Y-o-Y basis

57%

in Q3 2022

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~22 mn sq. ft.

9M 2022, almost stable on a

Cumulative share of Delhi-NCR

and Mumbai in leasing activity

30% Q-o-Q drop and nearly 50% Y-o-Y fall in supply in Q3 2022

68% Combined share of Bangalore, Chennai and Hyderabad in the supply addition in Q3 2022

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~13 mn sq. ft.

Total supply addition in 9M 2022, a drop of nearly 23% on a Y-o-Y basis





Regional share in leasing activity



Cities which led absorption in Q3

Delhi-NCR	Mumbai	Hyderabad
40%		12% é Hot

Quarterly rental movement - Growth witnessed mainly in Pune, Delhi-NCR, Bangalore and Kolkata







2% NH-2, Kolkata

2% Southern Corridor. Bangalore





Retail

Sustained leasing activity witnessed; festive season likely to spur further demand in the short term, while international players would continue to view India as a growth market

39% Y-o-Y growth but 37% Q-o-Q drop in leasing in Q3 2022

102% in supply in Q3 2022

> ~1.3 mn sq. ft. Total supply addition in 9M 2022, a growth of almost 110% Y-o-Y

~79% Cumulative share of Hyderabad, Delhi-NCR, Mumbai and Bangalore in leasing activity in

~3.4 mn sq. ft. Leasing activity in 9M 2022, a rise of almost 114% Y-o-Y

Q3 2022

Q-o-Q and 1% Y-o-Y increase

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Residential

The year 2022 likely to end on a high note for residential sector as it continues on its growth trajectory on account of strong homebuyer sentiments

50%

68% Y-o-Y growth but negligible Q-o-Q change in sales in Q3 2022

~222,000 No. of units sold in 9M 2022, a rise of almost 64% Y-o-Y

a growth of almost 67% Y-o-Y

launches in Q3 2022

Cumulative share of Mumbai, Pune, Delhi-NCR and Bangalore in sales activity in Q3 2022

~77%

~74%

Combined share of mid-end and affordable / budget categories in total sales during the quarter

~67% Total share of Mumbai,





Y-o-Y and 11% Q-o-Q increase in unit launches in Q3 2022

~222,000 No. of units launched in 9M 2022,

Hyderabad and Pune in unit

RESIDENTIAL

share in

Q3 2022

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share in

Q3 2022



Please note that only group housing projects from the organized segment with typically more than 50 apartment units have been considered for the analysis. Select peripheral locations in NCR and MMR have been excluded from the analysis.



share in

Q3 2022

*Capital value Source: CBRE Research, Q3 2022





Investments

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Investments in real estate continued at a steady pace and could reach near the peak levels witnessed in 2019; however, the rising cost of capital might throw a spanner in this growth narrative



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USD 1.4 billion

Overall capital inflows in Q3 2022, up by 7% Y-o-Y, but down by 29% Q-o-Q

USD 5.3 billion

Total capital inflows in 9M 2022, up by nearly 10% Y-o-Y



Source: CBRE Research, Q3 2022



INVESTMENTS





Cumulative share of Mumbai, Bangalore and Hyderabad in the total investment quantum in Q3 2022



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Institutional investors led investment activity with a share of nearly



Institutional investors have infused equity in a mix of greenfield and brownfield assets, whereas developers remained primarily focused towards greenfield investments



51%

Share of domestic investors in the total investment volume in Q3 2022. Foreign investors garnered the remaining share. Among them, investors from Singapore (24%), followed by Abu Dhabi (14%) pumped in major capital in India



of the total capital inflows in site / land acquisitions during Q3 2022 were deployed for residential developments, while 30% was committed for the office sector





Outlook

A CBRE take on how the real estate dynamics can pan out in the future





Sustained leasing activity expected in the coming guarters, although there could be some impact from alobal economic headwinds

Leasing expected to remain

in the entire year

in Q4

range-bound at 28-32 mn sq. ft. in

pace in Q4 to total 18-20 mn sq. ft.

2022, supply addition to pick up

Leasing to strengthen further in

light of the festive season; supply

addition to gain further momentum

Ongoing festive season and positive

homebuver sentiment to drive

housing sales and new launches:

however, a lagged impact of the

ongoing monetary tightening on

sales could be a key risk

Supply pipeline remains strong; sustained leasing to cause vacancy levels to fall slightly or remain range-bound

3PL to continue driving leasing activity: festive season to uplift the market sentiments of retail, e-commerce and manufacturing sectors which would positively impact space take-up

Direct-to-consumer brands to lead the fray among demand drivers; entry of more international brands likely through both offline and online channels

In the likelihood of a moderating sales momentum, capital value rise could slow and remain selective

Churn in institutional shareholders of existing REITs anticipated as investors look to partially book profits

Global headwinds such as inflation and rising fit-out costs could cause occupiers to relook at their CapEx and real estate plans

Despite easing global supply chain

pressures, occupiers to continue

following 'just-in-case' as well as

'just-in-time' strategies to remain

Tier II. III and even IV locations to

gain traction as retailers look to

leverage the spending power of

Decline in unsold inventory levels

to continue in the short term

Platform-level deals between

property companies to gain

foreign investors and domestic

momentum; to drive next phase of greenfield asset development

these towns and cities

prepared for any potential risks

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Investments

Y-o-Y uptick of 5-10% likely in 2022: cumulative investments could cross the USD 6-billion mark

Outlook

Return to office to pick up pace but would remain punctuated by hybrid working; however, companies would need to clearly define their working models going forward

Holistic policy initiatives such as PM GatiShakti, National Logistics Policy, etc. anticipated to transform the sector and bring it at par with global

Despite a robust supply pipeline, lack of ready quality supply, especially in prime locations, to impact retailer sentiments

Increased traction expected in premium and luxury segments; however, mid-end and budget segments will still garner a dominant share in sales

Monetary tightening measures to increase financing costs, thereby putting pressure on margins

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