### ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT OPTIONS – **REAL ESTATE**

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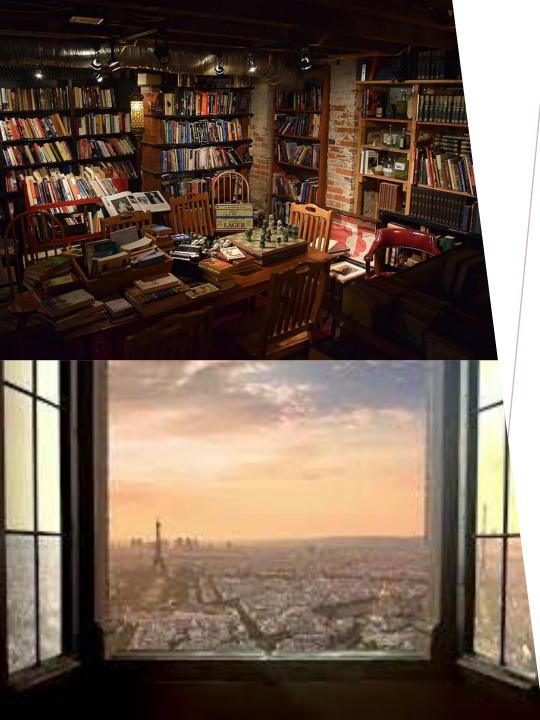
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### AAP YAHAAN AAYE KIS LIYE?

# IS REAL ESTATE GOOD INVESTMENT? WHERE TO INVEST?



### OR WE LEARN FUNDAMENTALS

Like any investment product, RE has science

- History
- Basic Economics
  - Crystal gazing

# COMMON SENSE



## TIMELINE

#### Early 1900s Pre Independence Industrialization Migration Starts Chawls come up

#### 1948 onwards

Housing Minister Gulzarilal Nanda passed the Housing Bill

Ambedkar Nagar in Worli - first housing project constructed

Tagore Nagar, Vikhroli built in 1962-63 - **biggest housing project in Asia** 

#### The 90s

Liberalization - Rising Middle Class - White collar employee - Housing Loans -Branded Developers

Corruption – FSI flouting – No quality – No service

Partition Massive Migration Paghdi system the norm 1947 True Urbanization begins

Politician – Bureaucrat – Underworld – Developer Nexus begins

Slums start mushrooming

But also MHADA is born which did awesome work

1970 onwards

Reforms: DeMo – RERA – GST – IBC – REITS – NPA – ED/CBI

Rising Incomes – Stock Market Boom – Nuclear Families – Redevelopment – Infrastructure

Listed Developers, Corporate Houses – Trust – Best Practices

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# ECONOMICS

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### NO ROCKET SCIENCE

#### SUMMARY

- Demand-Supply Dynamics
- GDP Job Creation | Wealth Creation
- International Developments
- Where are the Drivers? CBD | Infra | Policy
- REPO rates
- Quality

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CRYSTAL GAZING

Lets do it together



### MATRIX

	MUMBAI	PUNE	NCR	BENGALARU
RESIDENTIAL	А	В	С	D
OFFICES	Е	F	G	н
SHOPS	I	J	К	L
LAND	Μ	Ν	Ο	Р

### RESIDENTIAL FOR SELF USE

#### PROS

- If you the requisite funds available (Savings + Sale value of old flat)
- If you have preapproved housing loan
- If you like a house and it fits your budget (20% of house value + amenities + "parking" + maintenance corpus + SD + Regn + Brokerage + fit outs etc.)
- There is no better time than now

- If you wait for a bargain and prices go up by even 10%, your entire working may go for a toss
- If borrowing, you have to sufficient job security
- You are reasonably certain that you will not need to sell in a hurry due to emergency or moving cities etc.

### RESIDENTIAL FOR INVESTMENT

#### PROS

- Housing loan at its cheapest today at 6.75%
- If for about 10yrs or more then stable investment
- In a good locality you may earn steady rentals even if at a vey low rate of sub 2% pa on market value. But if the market value keeps rising the yield on historical cost will be higher. However renting cant be the primary reason for investment. You will get your best yield only on sale. Going forward expect an annualized appreciation of 5% over 10 years.

- If you have EMI then rent will not suffice. In many mofussil areas, rentals barely cover maintenance and taxes.
- Most illiquid and you may not get best prices in distress sell.
- Consider income tax implication of a 2<sup>nd</sup> home

## OFFICE

#### PROS

- Rentals in the 5-7% pa range
- Chances of getting corporate tenants
- Good locations hardly see vacancies
- Prelet properties are very easy to sell

- Property loans not as cheap as Housing loans
- A grade developers largely constructing REITable premises down.
- Quality tenants needing large
  developers going to above properties
- Strata sales volume low and quality low

### SHOPS

### PROS

- You can buy the smallest size possible
- Rents for shops on high street can be as high as 9% pa
- There is always demand for shops in good locality with good frontage and visibility

- Shopping moving to Malls (generally owned by one large investor)
- Bigger threat is from online shopping
- Generally command high lock-ins as the fit-outs by tenants is very high
- Sudden developments like street becoming one way or no entry, skywalk coming up in front. Hawkers etc. are risks

# LAND

### PROS

- Highest returns possible
- Any ticket size possible
- If invested within periphery of a metro, you cant go wrong. Town planning generally happens in concentric circles
- You can bet on zone change
- Tough negotiation possible

- Holding period very high. At times one generation
- Titles are a major issue
- Squatting another possibility
- Idle land begets no income.
- On the contrary sucks in money for security etc.
- Difficult to aggregate large contiguous parcels

### REITS/INVITS

### PROS

- Akin to a MF
- Small ticket size possible
- They invest in commercial rentable property only hence very safe. Similar to debt fund.

- Age old instrument overseas, new in India
- Still evolving
- Restricted to certain properties only
- Only 3 schemes so far

### **OBSERVATION OF DECISION MAKING**

#### VIEW

- 70% of existing home buyers move within a radius of 5 kms only
- Expats buy close to office
- 90% investments in city of residence or home town
- Fully loaded buildings & gated communities flavor of the season
- Lady of the house is the decision maker as far as homes go

### MYADVICE

(AND THE MILLENNIALS ARE SERIOUSLY FOLLOWING)

- We all have been making a cardinal mistake: mixing two objectives
  - Quality of life
  - Quality of investment

What if we stayed on rent in an area where we would really love to

#### and

Invested in RE anywhere that it'll fetch the best appreciation



### FUTURE OF REAS INVESTMENT

#### VIEW

- Gone are the days when prices doubled in 3-5 years
- Now comparable with FD rates for residential, debentures for commercial and MF for REITS. Land can perhaps beat a blue chip share over few decades.
- A must for everyone with a large investment portfolio. RE lags bull run at the SE. gains from shares are generally invested in RE.
- Safe from calamity/theft perspective
- With reforms has become safe to buy. With land titling and title insurance will become even more safe



### "ONE COMMODITY GOD HAS STOPPED PRODUCING IS...

LAND"

Pranay Vakil



# THANK YOU

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