

Title: Changing shareholding pattern in companies established prior to liberalization and the impact.

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Executive Summary:

Changing shareholding pattern in companies established prior to liberalization and the impact. Prior to 1991, the Indian economy was averse to policies that diluted the government's control over the companies established in the country. A closed economy of sorts, the Indian economy perceptibly faced the pressure of global forces as well as internal turbulences resulting in negative economic indicators. As a result of the same, the government yielded to the situation and began the process of liberalization. The 1980s saw the advent of these policies through the delicensing of certain key industries which was then followed by the introduction of the New Economic Policy which laid down the framework of liberalization as a formal reform in the economy in 1991.

Clusters of business groups in India formed around ethnic, religious and social communities, for example, the Marwaris of Rajasthan formed businesses in Bengal and elsewhere; the Gujaratis in the West, the Chettiars in the South, etc. There is a vast diversity in the Indian economy, comprising of listed as well as unlisted, regional as well as foreign, private as well as public companies. The indigenous entrepreneurs in the Indian markets have now become veterans in their respective industries. Over the years, from government monopolies to family owned business structures to the emergence of 'corporations', the shareholding patterns in the Indian industrial fora have transitioned through various stages.

This research study tracks the movements in the shareholding patterns of Indian Companies spanning over a period from the 1980s up to 2015 to examine the impact of liberalization as an economic policy. The key objectives of this study are:

1. To describe the evolution of India's listed companies' shareholding structure.
 2. To study the evolution of India's industrial structure at the firm level as a result of the reforms.
 3. To analyze the industrial composition by ownership before and after reforms.
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This study offers a captivating kaleidoscope of shareholding trends across the companies in the different industries over the years. This study is organized as follows:

Section 1: Overview of evolution in Company incorporations in India pre and post liberalization.

Section 2: Description of trends in Industrial Structure in Non-Government Companies' incorporations and the corresponding sectorial contributions to the GDP.

Section 3: Study of various ownership patterns in Indian Companies and the trends therein.

Section 4: Analysis of shareholding structures in listed companies (SENSEX.)

Section 5: Study of impact of foreign investments in the Indian Corporate Sector.

Section 6: Brief comparison of the shareholding patterns of business organizations as well as liberalization policies among the BRIC nations. The last unit of the study sets out the findings, interpretations, conclusions and recommendations on the subject

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