

# **Merits and Demerits of Land Acquisition for Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in India**

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## **Abstract**

Special Economic Zone (SEZ) is an area governed and run through surveillance of government to promote international trade for uplifting the economy of the nation. Necessary infrastructure and other such accommodations will be present in SEZ to assist and promote companies within the SEZ to do international trade. In India, SEZ is currently operating in 15 states, among which only 4 states i.e. Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Maharashtra are actively performing. The sensitive issue of land acquisition and rehabilitation was also brought up revolution of special economic zones. SEZs and Land are interconnected for in the setting up of SEZs huge amounts of land are required. Land Acquisition and SEZs have picked up speed in India since the Indian government has encouraged the setting up of SEZs in the country. To set up such a large number of SEZs there is a need for land on a large scale to be acquired. This paper deals the merits and demerits of land acquisition for SEZs.

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