

in India - performance so far, economics, tax treatment, etc.

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In the hands of investors

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◆ REITs – Recapitulated

A mind map covering the concept of REITs

REITS - A brief overview.

- What are Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)
 - In India REITs are regulated as per the SEBI (Real Estate Investment Trust) Regulations, 2014. ("Regulations")
 - REITs are essentially Trusts set up under the **Indian Trusts Act, 1882.**
 - As per the Regulations, "REIT" or "Real Estate Investment Trust" shall mean a trust registered as such under the REIT Regulations.(Regulation 2(1)(zm).)
- On similar grounds to that of Mutual Funds, REITs also pools the capital of various investors by the way of issuance of units.

- To sum it up, REIT is a collective investment vehicle, that owns, operates, or finances incomegenerating real estate either directly or through Special Purpose Distinct Vehicles (SPVs).
- This unit represents a part of the ownership of the Real Estate held by the REIT, which further entitles the unit holder to get a share in the income generated by the REIT.
- REITs raise funds from a large number of investors and directly invest that sum in income-generating real estate properties (which could be offices, residential apartments, shopping centres, hotels, and warehouses).

Journey of REITs

Sub-Committee by AMFI

Supported discussions w.r.t.
International Experiences in Real
Estates

Real Estate Mutual Funds

On realizing that REITs might not work in the then India structure, SEBI introduced Real Estate Mutual Funds.



Satwalekar Committee

Constituted to explore the prospective opportunities and possibilities of introducing Real Estate Investment Scheme for Mutual Funds

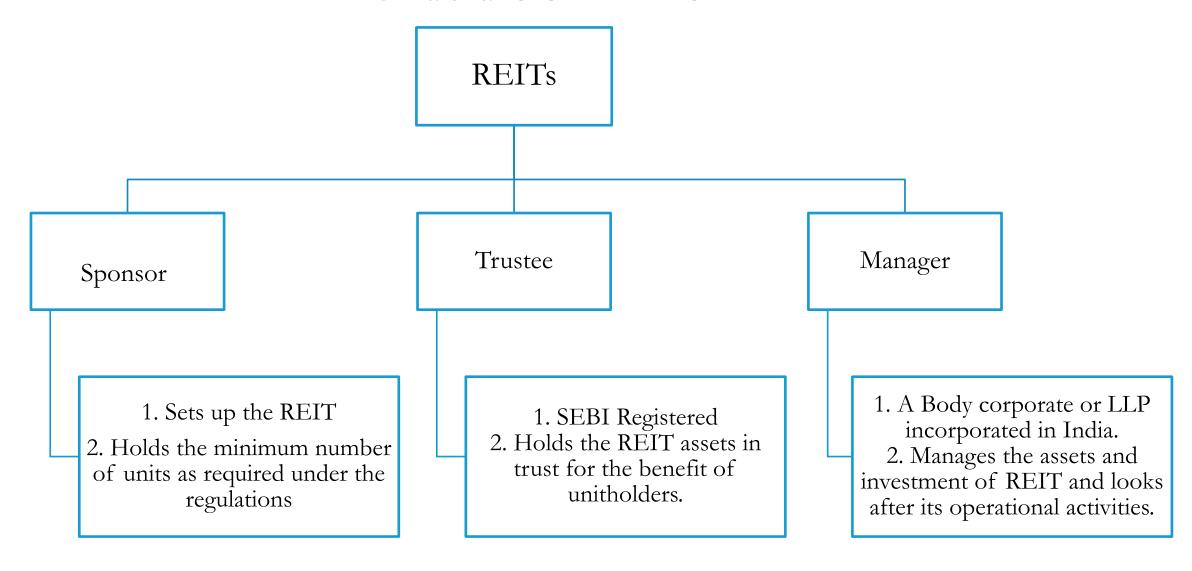
1st Draft Regulations

SEBI proposed the Draft REITs regulations in 2008.

SEBI (REITs) Regulations, 2013

SEBI, post Consultation paper, taking views of stakeholder, SEBI notified the following regulations.

Structure of REITs

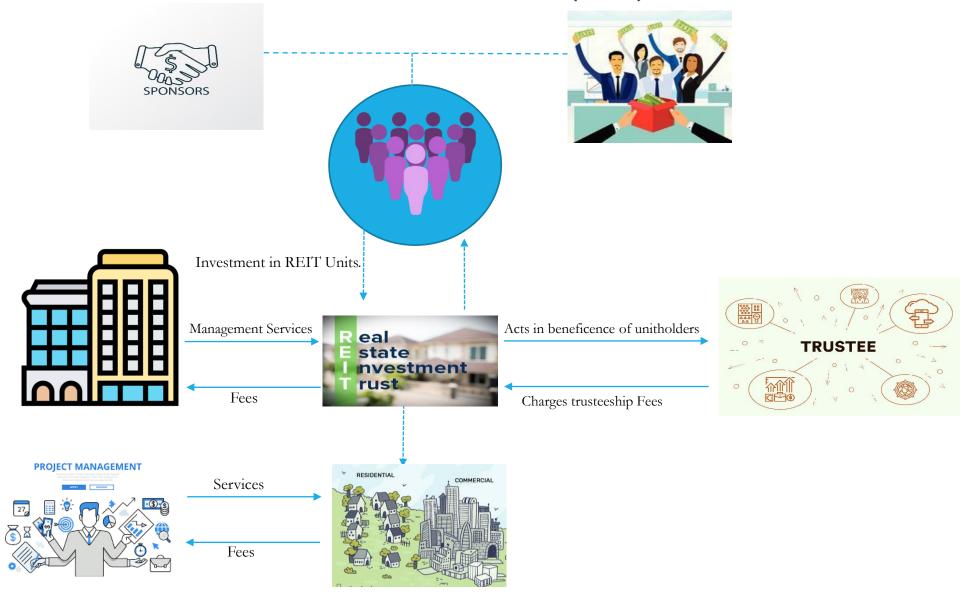


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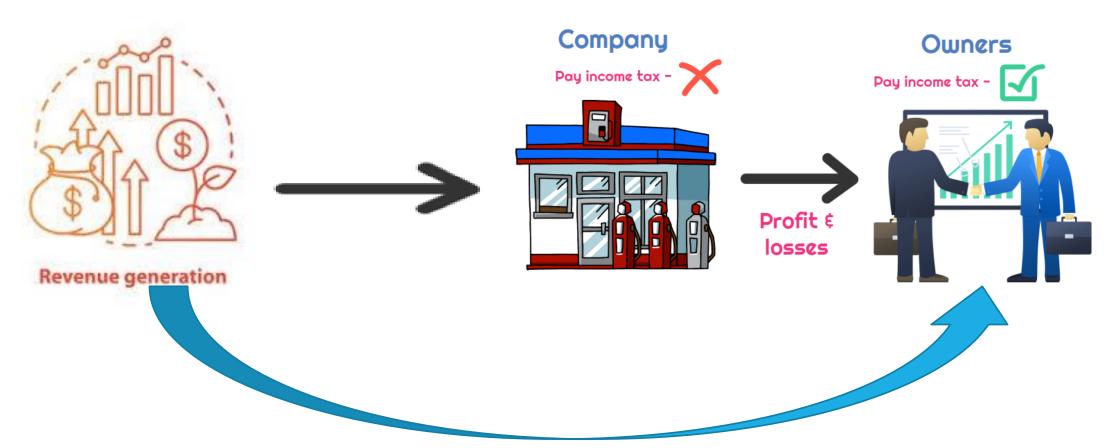
Particulars	Sponsor	Manager	Trustee
Eligibility	-	Company or LLP or Body corporate	Registered under SEBI (Debenture Trustees) Regulations, 1993.
Net worth	Individual – Rs.25 crore Collectively – Rs.100 crore	For Company or Body corporate – minimum Rs.10 crore In case of LLP the value of net tangible assets shall be considered	-
Experience	Min. 5 years in development of or fund management in Real estate	Same as Sponsor. Additionally to have 2 employees having 5 years of experience in advisory/ property management in Real estate.	_

In addition to above, the Sponsors are required to hold not less than 5 % of units of the REIT on post-issue basis.

Structure of REITs (5/5)

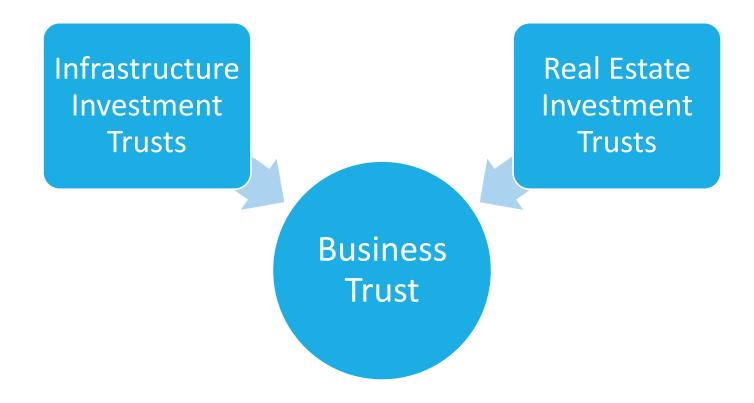


Concept of Pass Through



Income being bypassed and being taxed in the hands of the shareholder.

Pass through concept w.r.t. REITs



REITs & InvITs are classified as business trusts and as per section 115 UA, of Income Tax Act 1961, income so distributed by Business Trust to its Unit holders shall be deemed to be the Income of such unit holders and shall be charged to tax accordingly.

Investment approach

Can Invest in		Cannot Invest in			
 Holding Company (Hold co.) and/ SPVs Properties* 		 Agricultural Land Mortgages other than Mortgage 			
		Backed Securities (MBS)			
3. Transferable Dev (TDRs)	elopment Rights	3. Vacant Land			

Investment approach

Minimum of 80% (in value) of REIT assets shall be in:

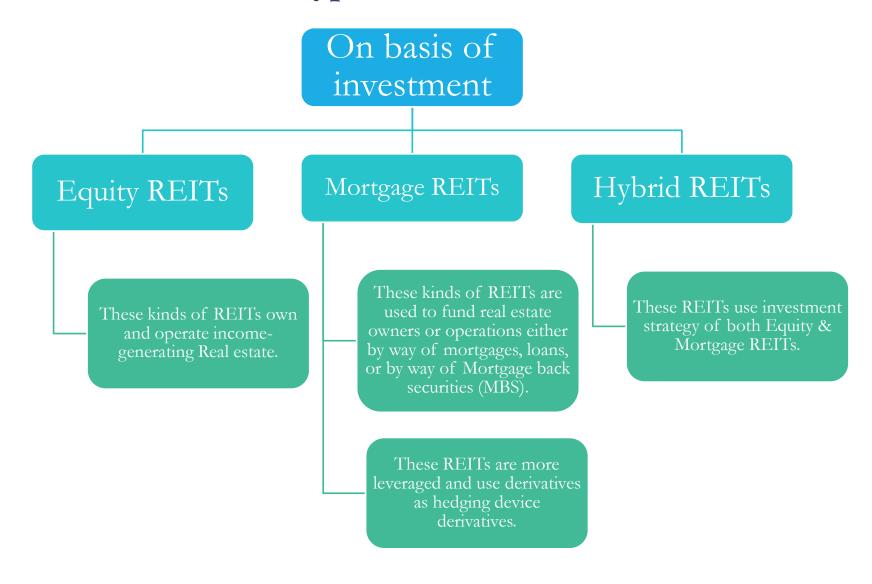
Completed and rent / income generating properties where

- Investment is made by Hold co./ SPVs only the portion of direct investments shall be considered and
- Where the same is made in any project in stages, only the completed part of the project shall be considered.

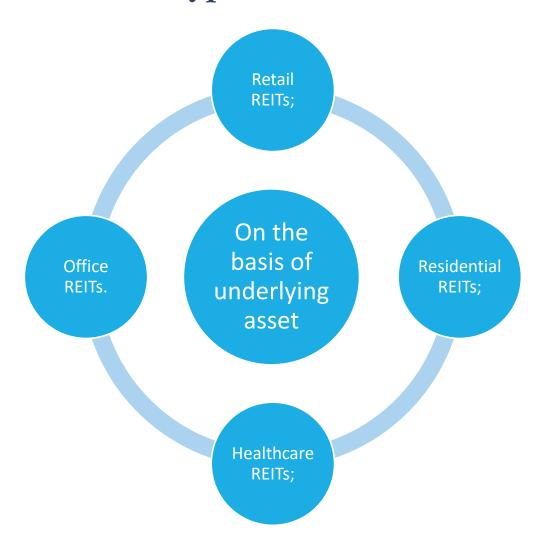
Not more than 20% (in value) of REIT assets shall be in:

- Properties which are under constructions and
 - Shall be held by REIT for a minimum period of 3 years from it's completion;
 - part of existing revenue generating properties owned by REIT and shall be held for 3 years after its completion;
 - Completed but non-revenue generating properties and shall be held for minimum of 3 years from the date of purchase;
- Listed/Unlisted Debt of Companies in Real Estate Sector;
- Mortgage backed Securities;
- Equity of listed/unlisted companies who's 75% income is from Real Estate activities;
- Government Securities;
- Unutilized Floor space index of existing projects
- TDRs
- Money market instruments or cash equivalents

Types of REITs



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Are REITs Lucrative?

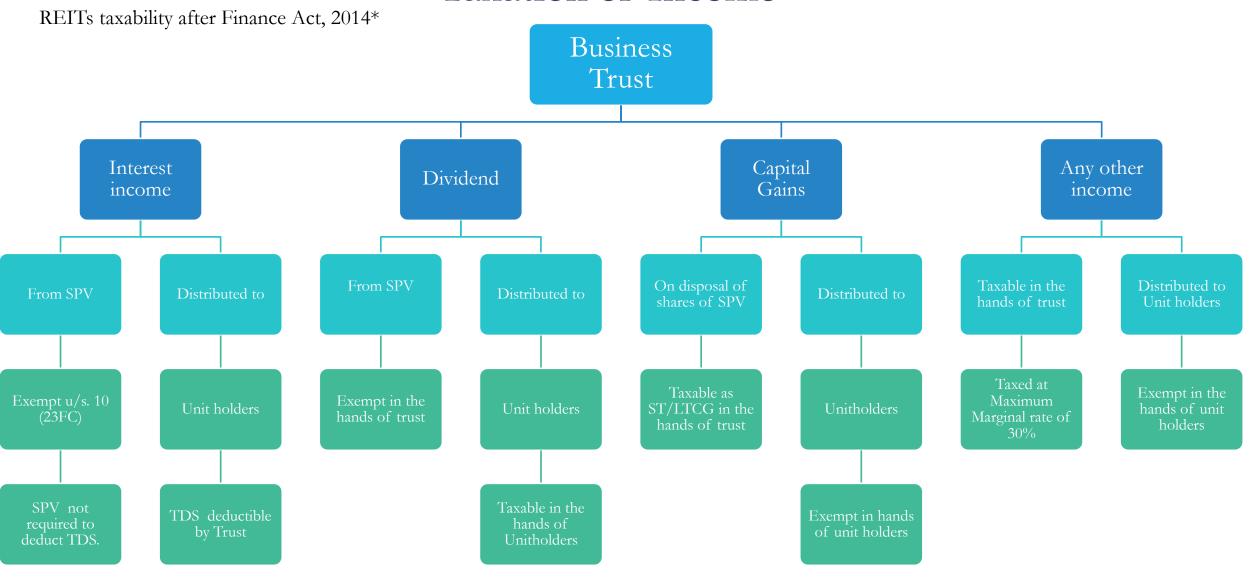
From Issuer's Perspective

- Monetizes the portfolio of operational assets
- Unlocks capital and deleverages balance sheet
- High credit quality and low cost of capital
- In India REITs get a few exemptions:
 - Dividends or Interest received from the SPVs are exempt from tax,
 - Further, Any income generated from renting or leasing of Real Estate assets which are owned directly by the REIT is also exempt from tax.
 - Additional in India, as Listing of REITs is mandatory, on being listed on stock exchanges it becomes easier to access capital for future growth.

From Investor's Perspective

- Provides steady returns since the regulations, REITs are required to distribute 90% of its income to unitholders
- Good Capital appreciation opportunity
- Helps investor diversify his portfolio, allowing them exposure to Real Estate sector.
- Real Estate is an excellent hedge against inflation.
- REITs allow investor to add Real estate to their portfolios at a small ticket size.
- Unlike traditional real estate investments,
 REIT units are liquid.
- REITs are professionally managed.

Taxation of Income



REITS in Indian- A case study.

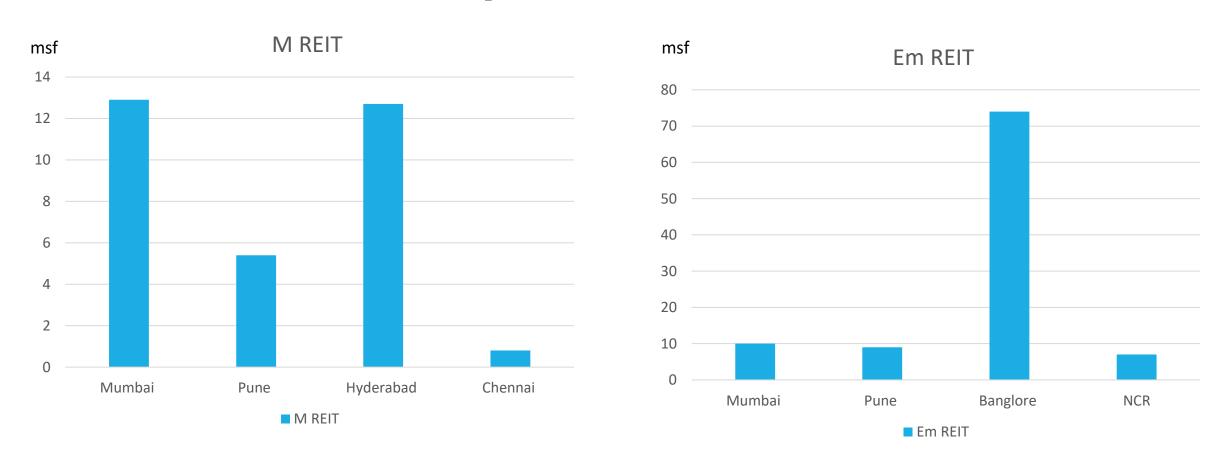
Embassy Office Parks REIT Ltd

- Sponsored by Embassy & Blackstone, Embassy REIT is the first listed REIT in India & the largest in Asia (by area)
- The company owns & operates 42.8 MSF (million square feet). It has a portfolio of eight office parks, six hotels (two are under-construction) & a 100 MW solar power plant.
- occupancy of 87% as of March 31, 2022.

Mindspace Business Parks REIT Ltd.

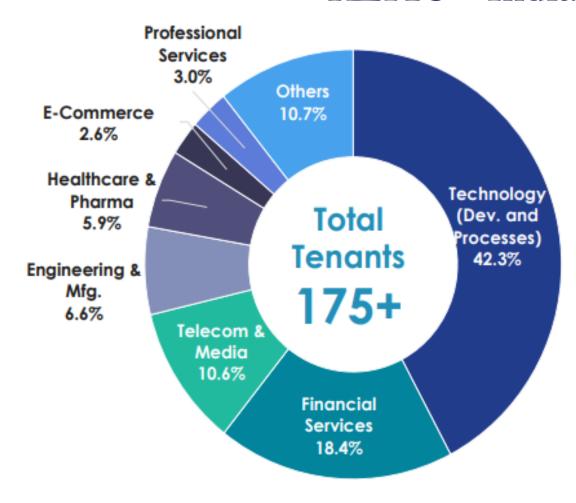
- Mindspace REIT is sponsored by K Raheja
 Corp Group.
- It has a strong portfolio of office spaces across Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad & Chennai with a total leasable area of 31.8 msf.
- Occupancy of 84.3% as of March 31, 2022.

Spread of REITs in India

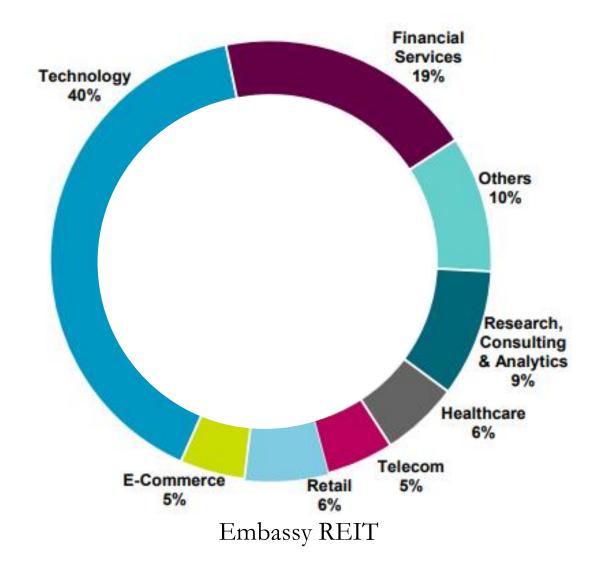


Vis-à-vis comparison between REITs Listed in India in terms of place of assets

REITS - Indian Market Scenario.



Mindspace REIT.



Source Investor presentation.

Comparison between REITs in different countries.

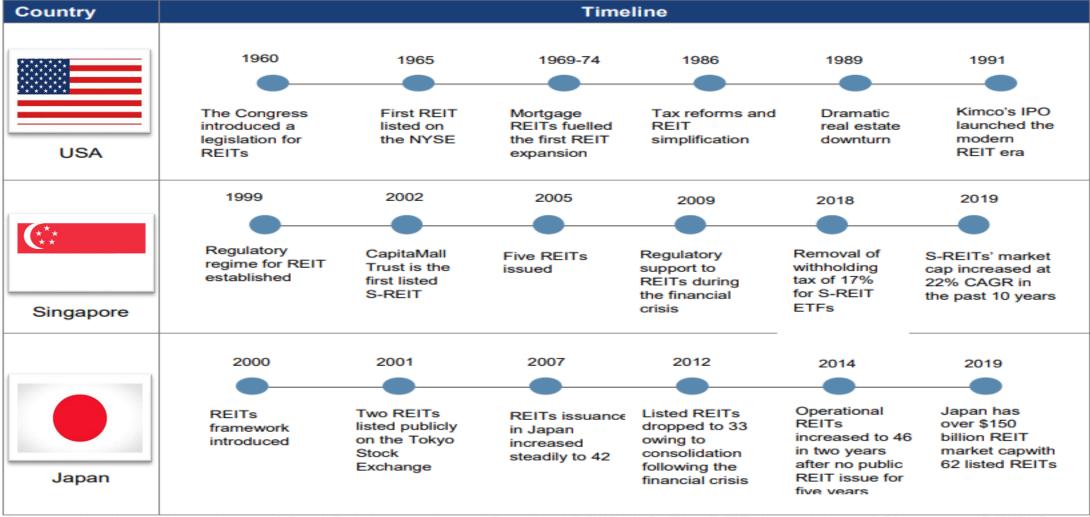
Global REIT market at a glance

	USA	Singapore	Japan	Hong Kong	Malaysia	India
Year of introduction	1960	2001	2001	2003	2007	2014
No. of publicly-traded REITs	194	44	62	11	18	1 *
Market capitalisation of REITs (US\$ bn)	1232	76	148	35	9	4
Market capitalisation of real estate sector (US\$ bn)	1284	137	292	585	22	24
REIT as a % of real estate	REIT Mcap 96% Other Real Estate 4%	REIT Mcap 55 % Other Real Estate 45%	REIT Mcap 51% Other Real Estate 49%	REIT Mcap 6% Other Real Estate 94%	REIT Mcap 42% Other Real Estate 58%	REIT Mcap 17% Other Real Estate 83%

Source: S&P CapIQ as of August 2019

^{*}Data drawn before listing of the other REIT

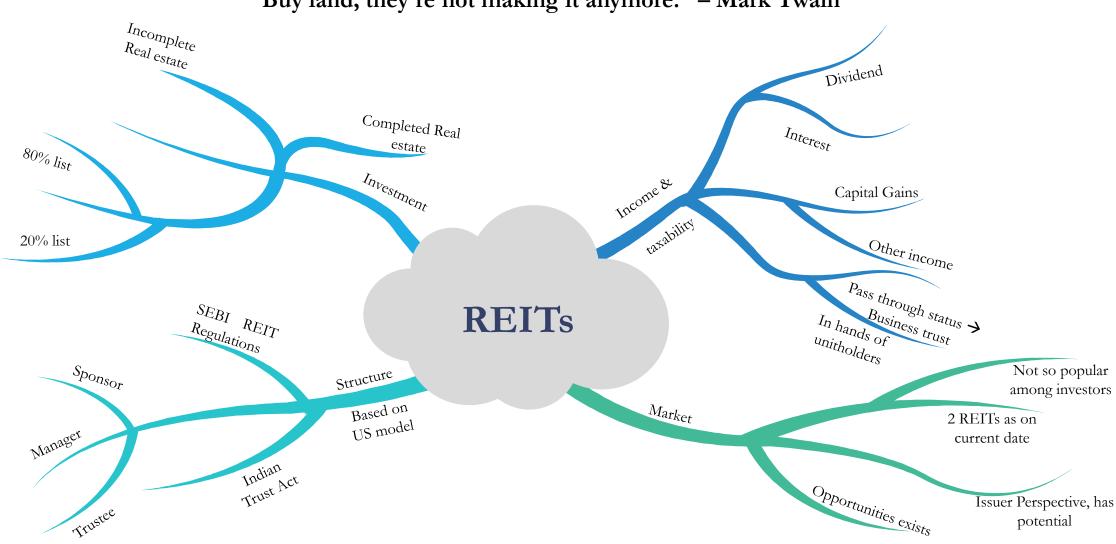
Are Indian investors the only ones skeptical over REIT investments?



Sources: National Association of Real Estate Investment Trust (NAREIT), US, The REIT Association of Singapore (REITAS) and the Association of Real Estate Securitization (ARES), Japan

Recap!

"Buy land, they're not making it anymore." - Mark Twain



Thank You!