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Goods and Services Tax ('GST') – Preparing for the Transition

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### **Progress So Far..**

Three Official Documents issued outlining broad GST structure

Committees formed by the EC to sort out critical issues (threshold, inter-state transactions, exemptions, etc.)

Constitution Amendment Bill - Passed by Lok Sabha, referred to Select Committee of Rajya Sabha

Select Committee to table its report in the first week of Monsoon Session

Drafting of model GST legislation in progress

**Progress on IT infrastructure – Steering committee** formed to monitor the progress

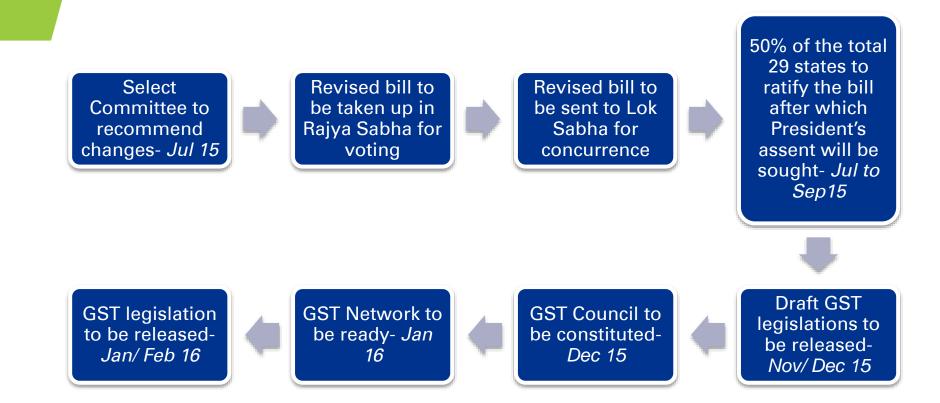
**Broad consensus on CST compensation** 

## **GST** implementation in

# 2016

appears likely...

## Estimated timelines- If April'16 is to happen, then...



## **Transitional Challenges**

#### Challenges for the Company

The upcoming months before 1 April 2016 is a critical period for Industry as GST will trigger major business transformation

Companies need to prepare a roadmap for smooth transition to new tax regime

Unlike other countries, not much time would be available to business for transition once draft GST legislation is ready

Due to lack of sufficient time for transition, it would be difficult for companies to automate their systems

Country	Year of draft legislation	Year of implementation
Australia	1999	2000
Canada	1989	1991
Malaysia	2014	2015
Singapore	1993	1994
Indonesia	1983	1984



## Key Impact Areas



## GST will have a significant impact on business...

#### **Cash Flows**

- GST on stock
  transfers
- Supplies from EEZ

#### **Product Pricing**

- Consequence of fiscal and cash flow impact
- Levy of GST on retailer margins

#### IT systems

 Modifications to JDE and other systems



#### Supply chain

- Tax neutrality
- Impact of 1% additional tax

#### **Fiscal**

- Change in tax rates
- Free flow of credits
- Impact on EEZ, vendor prices

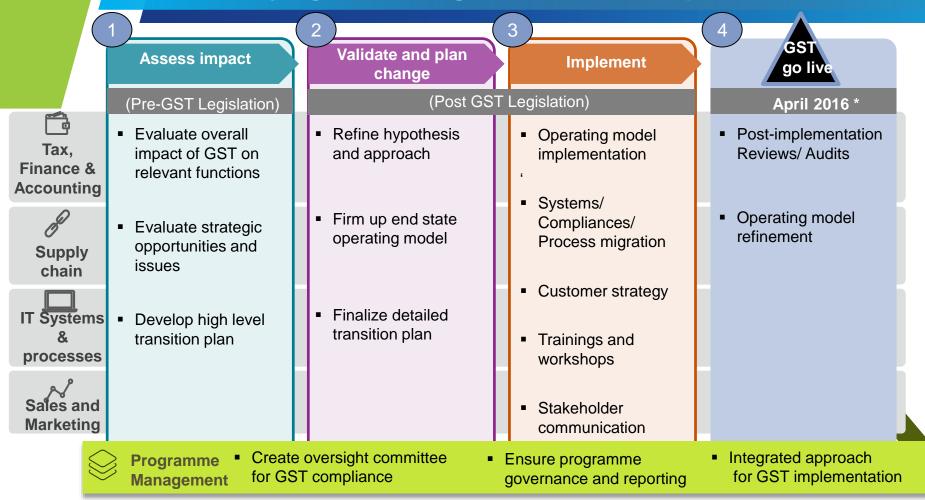
#### Contracts

 Impact on on-going/ new contracts

## What Industry needs to do



While government works towards timely roll out of GST, auto industry will have to prepare itself by proactively identifying and rolling out initiatives in parallel



Industry will have to work as per 3-4 distinct phase based approach (which is in sync with govt.'s roll out plan) to address the wide ranging impact that GST is expected to bring along

## 1A Assess potential fiscal impact of GST on business

#### Action



- Quantify potential financial impact of GST on the top-line, bottom-line w.r.t. existing business operations/ new projects expected to be rolled out in near future
- · Evaluate potential impact on cash flows
- Isolate key impact areas for relevant action (e.g. advocacy)
- 'What if' analysis with respect to important GST assumptions

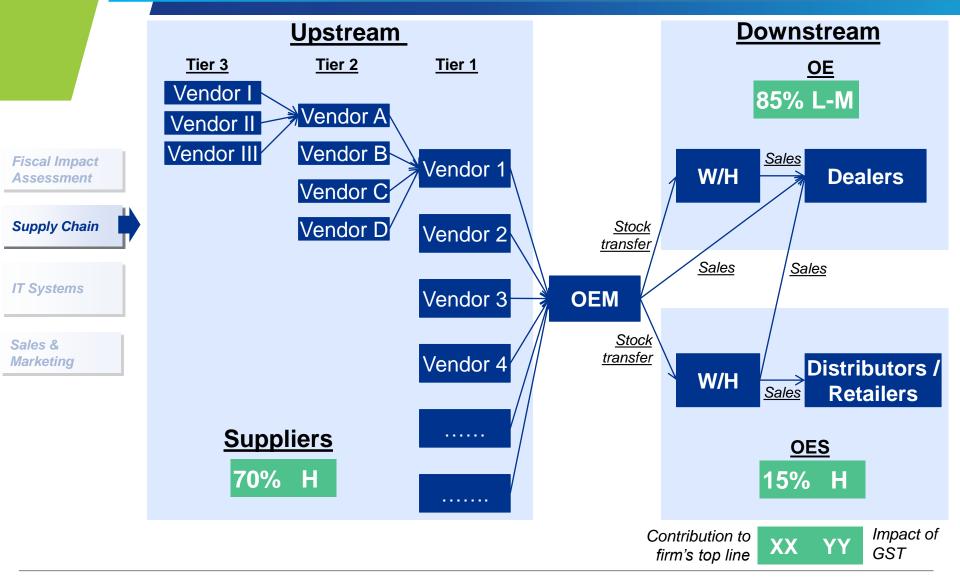
#### Key Parameters

- Tax rates (including exemptions/ concessions)
- Valuation
- Availability of credit
- Product pricing

Maintaining the same MRP could reduce the top-line of the Company

Possible reduction in overall cost due to free flow of credit

# Assess potential impact of GST on Supply Chain (across Upstream and downstream)



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## 1B Assess potential impact of GST on IT systems

#### Activity

 Review IT system to evaluate changes that may be triggered by GST – software used by Companies in-house such as BPCS, Costing, SOP Module, etc. (including distributor claims management) and software accessed by the distributors

#### Supply Chain

**Fiscal Impact** 

Assessment

#### IT Systems

Sales & Marketing

- Coverage: Master data (vendor, customer etc.), transactions (PO, invoice, sales order), records/ reports (credit registers, tax MIS reports etc.) – Refer to Next Slide
- Possibility of automating key tax related compliances (e.g. GST returns, etc.) that are currently handled offline
- Conduct workshops for IT team to help them understand the overall impact of GST on IT systems
- IT team to engage with ERP/SAP vendor(s) to draw up implementation plan (after evaluating

vendor's commitment, internal resourcing, estimated timeframe for deployment/ customization,

Hybrid system widely not supported by vendors Need for changes in the platform accessed by the distributors

Minimum 4-6 months for transition

Could effect business continuity

# Assess potential impact of GST on other business functions & explore optimization avenues.. (contd..)



Need for re-assessing the discounts/ incentives

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### To Summarize ..

• GST appears to be a reality in 2016

• Assess the overall impact of GST on various business functions

Opportunity assessment across supply chain

• Significant impact on IT system – Business continuity issue

• Prepare for transition by drawing up an implementation plan

• Set up PMO to coordinate/ monitor progress

• Once GST legislation is available, fine tune and operationalize the implementation plan

Managing trade and industry benchmarking

