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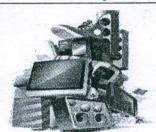
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India is home to a growing middle class population. With increasing disposable income, consumer demand for electronic products - specially advanced TVs, mobile



phones and computers - has grown significantly:

"However, what needs to be addressed to meet government's vision of turning India into a manufacturing hub is the domestic production," it said.

The Indian electronics and hardware market grew by 8.6 per cent year-on-year to reach \$75 billion in 2015.

India's total electronics hardware production in 2014-15 is estimated at \$32.46 billion.

The domestic consumption of electronic hardware in the

same year was \$63.6 billion, out of which 58 per cent was fulfilled with imports.

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Investments in electronics manufacturing stood at about Rs 1,27,880 crore in 2016, buoyed by initiatives like Make in India and Digital India as well as schemes like Modified Special Incentive Package Scheme (M-SIPS) and Electronics Development Fund (EDF).

Even though there are signs of promising growth, the local production of electronic products has to be increased significantly to meet the domestic demand, the study said.

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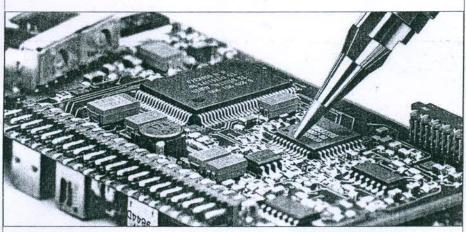


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