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# Navigating The Road Ahead: An In-Depth Analysis of The Indian Electric Vehicle Supply Chain



# The Evolution of Electric Vehicles in India

BHEL produced 200 units of an 18-seater electric bus for Delhi, but high battery costs and short battery life hindered their success.

500,000 electric rickshaws, used for daily commute, were sold in Delhi, dominating the market.

EV captured 6.3% market share in 2023, moving towards sustainability and boosting its adoption in India.



VIKRAM SAFA, first electric 3W, launched by Scooter's India Pvt Ltd

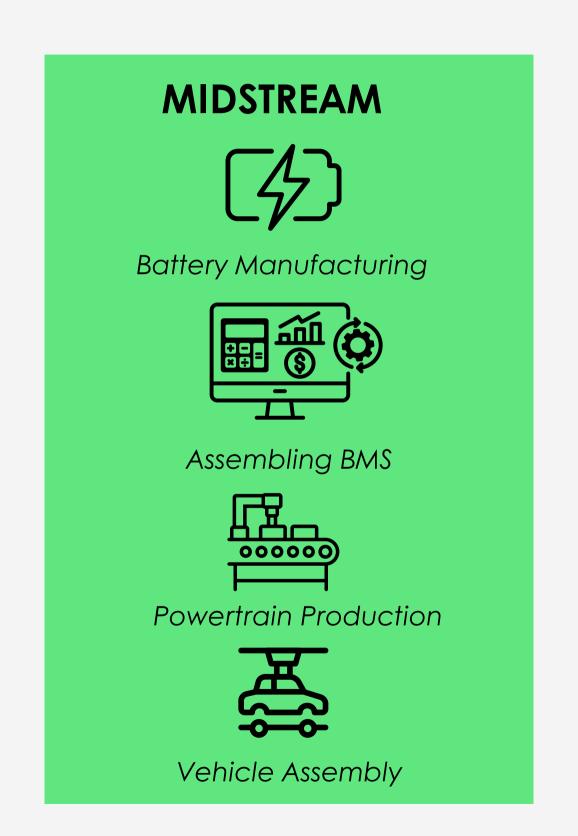
Hero Cycles partnered with ULTRA Motor to launch electric bikes, followed by Electrotherm India, TVS Motor, and Hero Electric.

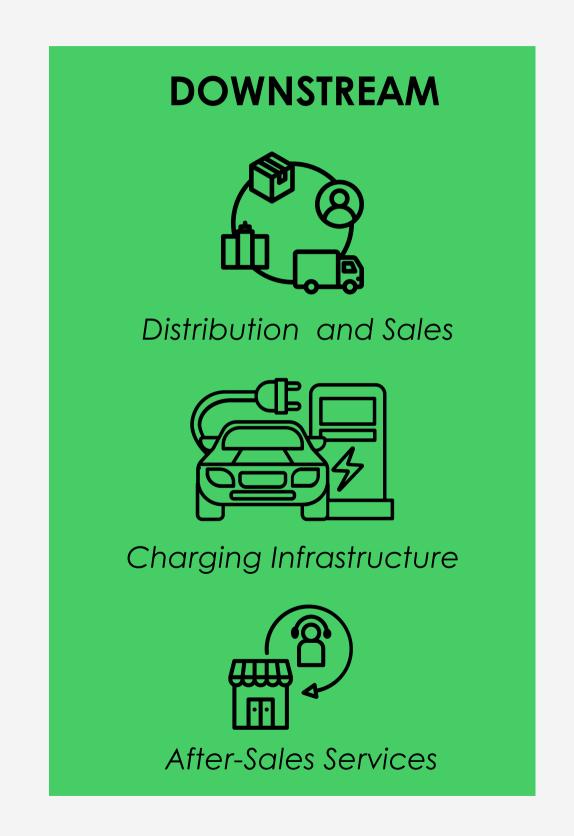
Companies were aggressively developing affordable EVs to increase accessibility.

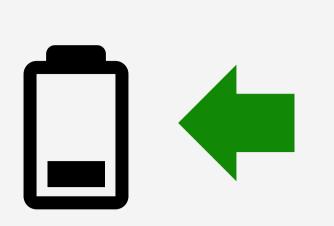


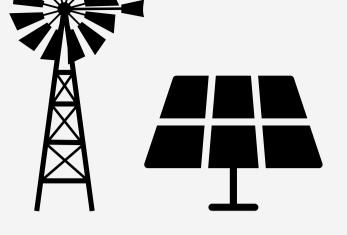
# **EV Supply Chain**

















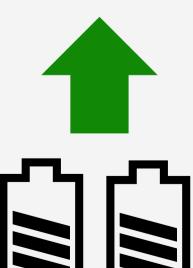








Use in electric car

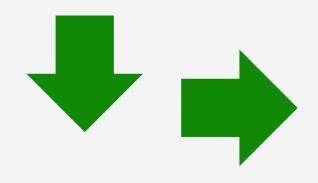






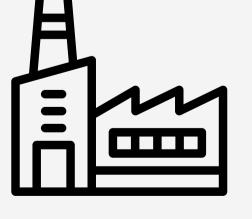


Recycling











**Second Life** 

Use as an energy source





# The Localisation Problem

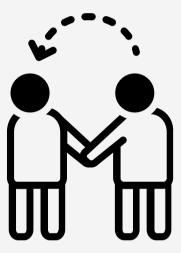
#### **Argentina**



The Lithium Triangle holds 56% of the world's lithium reserves



Despite small reserves, China controls lithium operations abroad, including in the Lithium Triangle, and dominates the electric car industry, producing three-quarters of global lithium-ion batteries.



India is largely dependent on China for its Lithium needs but pushing for localization.

# Solution

**Newly discovered Lithium reserves** 

Lithium reserves found in Degana, Rajasthan along with approx. 5.9 million tonnes of Lithium found in Jammu & Kashmir should help reduce India's dependency on imports.

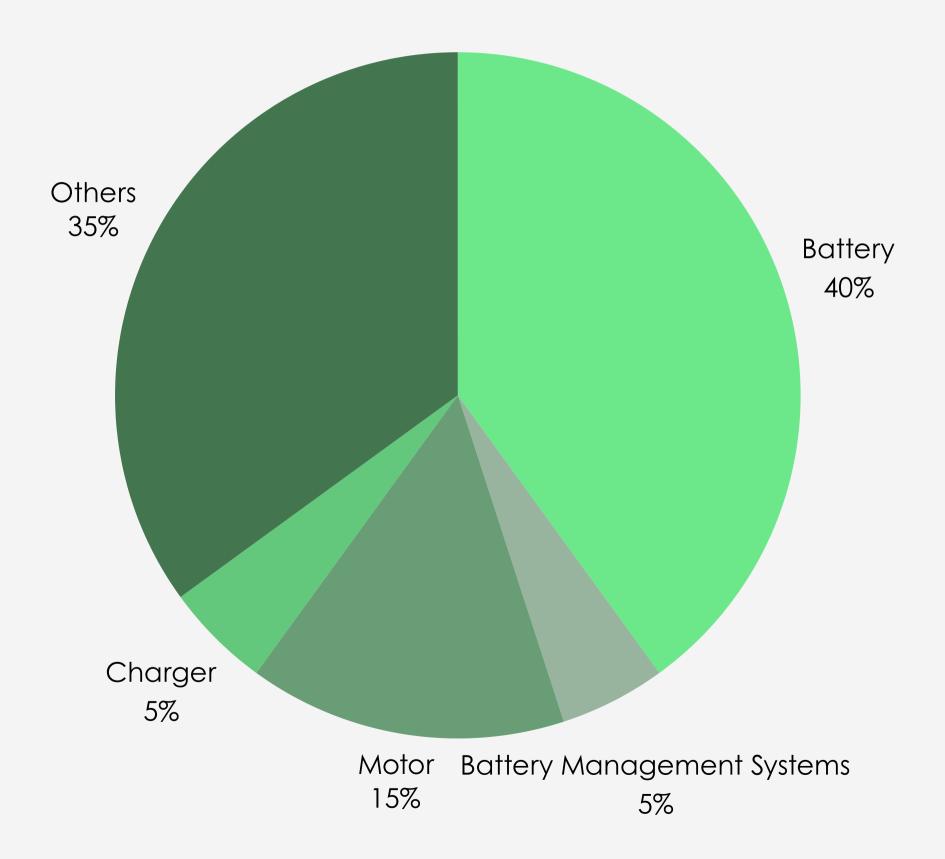
Power of recycling Lithium batteries

Battery recycling can meet up to 60% of market demand, especially for lithium-ion batteries, which significantly reduces energy consumption.



# Cost Breakdown of EV Components

- The high-voltage battery, comprising 40% of an EV's cost, provides energy to the motor and is located on the floor or in the boot.
- The electric motor, 15% of an EV's cost, converts electrical to mechanical energy. EVs use automatic transmission (direct drive), reducing transmission fluid needs and power loss.
- BMS comprises 5% of the total cost, it safeguards the battery by monitoring cell health and preventing damage or fire.
- Other components include interiors, chassis, exterior, and powertrain. Unlike ICE vehicles, EV powertrains are simpler, comprising battery packs, charging ports, and drivetrain units.





Electric Motor

# Challenges to Widespread EV Adoption in India

#### **Charging Infrastructure**

A major hurdle is the slow development of charging infrastructure, deterred by uncertain utilization rates, high costs, and increased load on DISCOMs. The low number of EVs also hampers operators' returns.







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**Battery** 

Fossil fuel-based charging and the environmental impact of lithium-ion battery production and disposal, including limited recycling and potential soil and air contamination, pose significant concerns.



India lacks metals like lithium, magnesium, cobalt, and



nickel which are needed in lithium-ion batteries and therefore has to rely on costly imports.



#### **Consumer Attitude**

Cost effectiveness is crucial for Indian consumers. Despite government incentives, inadequate charging infrastructure and high battery replacement costs deter buyers. Limited marketing and awareness also reduce EVs' appeal comparitively.

#### **Research and Development**

Manufacturers rely on foreign technology for costly lithium-ion battery cells. Significant research is needed to develop affordable, efficient EV components for wider adoption.



Source: assets.ey.com.

# **Key Growth Drivers of The EV Industry**

Major

Growth

**Drivers** 



#### **EV Technology Advancements**

Improvements in battery life, range, charging infrastructure, and added features have boosted confidence in EVs as a primary mode of transportation.

#### **Rising Fuel Costs**

Soaring fuel prices have increased demand for EVs in India as they are more affordable and have lower operating costs.

### **Government Incentives**

Government incentives like discounts, tax breaks, and rebates, along with programs like FAME, have made EVs more affordable in India.

#### **Environmental Concernss**

Rising air pollution in Indian cities fuels the shift to EVs as their lower emissions contribute to cleaner, healthier urban environments.

#### **Reduced Operating Costs**

EVs cut costs by eliminating fuel expenses and lower maintenance, making them ideal for city commuters seeking convenience and affordability.

#### Global Sustainable Mobility Trends

India sees a surge in electric scooters and bikes as eco-conscious consumers prioritize a cleaner future.

# **Government Initiatives**



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#### **FAME II**

Launched in April 2019 to promote electric and hybrid vehicles through subsidies, development of charging infrastructure, and support for local manufacturing and R&D.

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#### **PLI Scheme**

Production-Linked
Incentive (PLI) scheme
for the Auto and Auto
Component, and the
PLI scheme for
manufacturing
advanced chemistry
cell (ACC) batteries
have proved
instrumental in fostering
local production and
boosting EV adoption

3

#### Taxes & Duties

The Centre will allow automakers to import up to 8,000 EVs priced at \$35,000 or higher annually at a reduced import duty of 15%, down from 70%, if they invest at least \$500 million in India over the next three years

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# Phased Manufacturing

To promote domestic EV manufacturing, the government has proposed a phased roadmap imposing a 15% customs duty on EV parts like chargers, motors, energy monitors, brake systems, compressors, and power control units, effective from April 2021.

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#### No License

The Ministry of Power clarified that no license is needed to operate EV charging stations in India, as they are considered a service, not the sale of electricity.

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### Public- Private Partnership

Since 2020, India has partnered with private firms to establish numerous EV charging stations nationwide.

Private companies contributed financing and expertise, while the government offered regulatory and policy support.

The Indian government aims for 30% EV sales in private cars, 70% in commercial vehicles, 40% in buses, and 80% in two- and three-wheelers by 2030. On March 15, 2024, it approved a \$500 million EV policy with incentives to attract global investments and position India as a leading EV manufacturing hub.



# **Opportunities and Innovation**

#### **Evergrowing Opportunities: B2B Sector**

Online Food Delivery





**Online Grocery Delivery** 























#### The Birth of Various Innovative Business Models

#### Vehicle subscription/leasing model

This model sells vehicles on a monthly rental basis with no upfront cost, aiming to reduce expenses for customers. OEMs provide maintenance, insurance, and cover battery issues, addressing reliability concerns.

#### Battery subscription/leasing model

In this model, vehicles are sold without batteries, which are available through a monthly subscription or lease. This reduces upfront costs and addresses battery reliability concerns.

#### Charging-as-a-Service

OEMs have created charging networks to reduce range anxiety, offering subscription or pay-per-use options. The government supports this with subsidized EV charging rates.

#### Sale of vehicle without battery

The government allows the sale of electric 2&3Ws without pre-fitted batteries to reduce upfront costs and enhance affordability.

#### **Battery swapping model**

Customer has an option to swap the drained battery with a charged battery for a fixed fee. This model primarily addresses concerns on battery charging time and reliability.

Source: KPMG



# **Emerging Trends in the EV Market**

#### **Fuel Cell Vehicles**

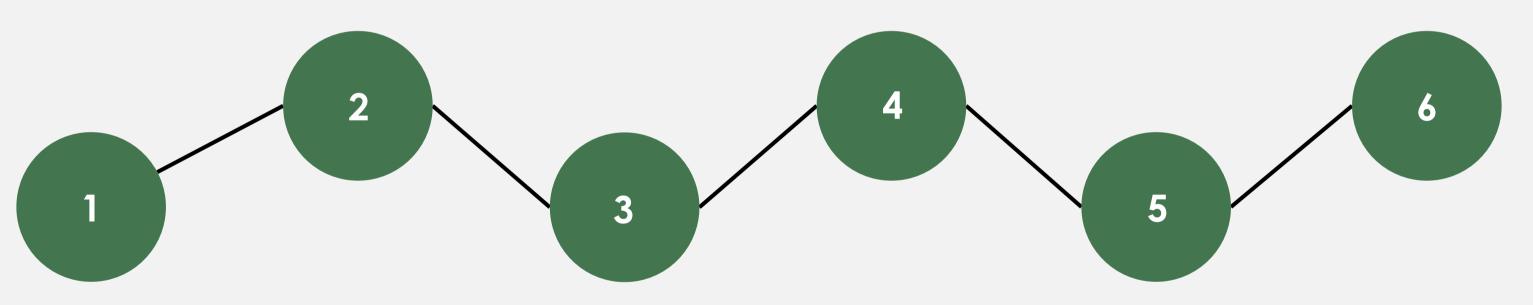
Significant research is underway aiming to commercialize hydrogen fuel cells as they emit only water and warm air.

#### **Smart Grids**

Smart grids enhance EV charging and load balancing with bi-directional charging and V2G technology returning unused energy to the grid.

#### Regenerative Braking

Regenerative braking captures kinetic energy during braking and reuses it, optimizing energy usage and addressing range anxiety.



# Advanced Driver Assistance Systems

ADAS uses sensors to monitor surroundings, offering real-time safety tips like emergency braking and drowsiness detection for driver safety.

#### Al Powered Vehicle Health Checks

Al systems enhance EV safety and performance by analyzing sensor data for anomalies, enabling proactive maintenance and preventing costly repairs.

# Sustainable material disposal

Grants and targets push automakers to use recycled batteries as they have a four times lower carbon footprint and 100 million EV batteries are to be retired in the next decade.

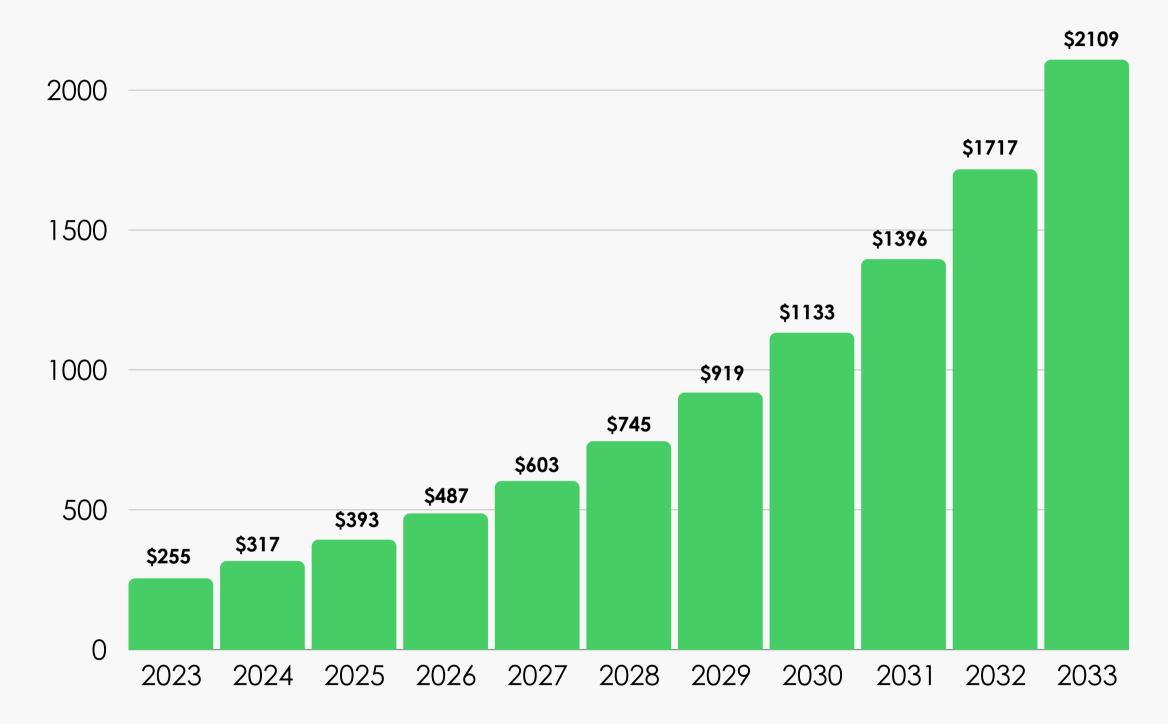
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### Global Market Size

2500

The global electric vehicle market size reached USD 255.54 billion in 2023 and is projected to hit around USD 2,108.80 billion by 2033 with a notable CAGR of 23% from 2024 to 2033.

Nearly one in five cars sold in 2023 was electric. Electric car sales neared 14 million in 2023, 95% of which were in China, Europe and the United States



# Electric Vehicle Market Size 2023-2033 (USD Billion)

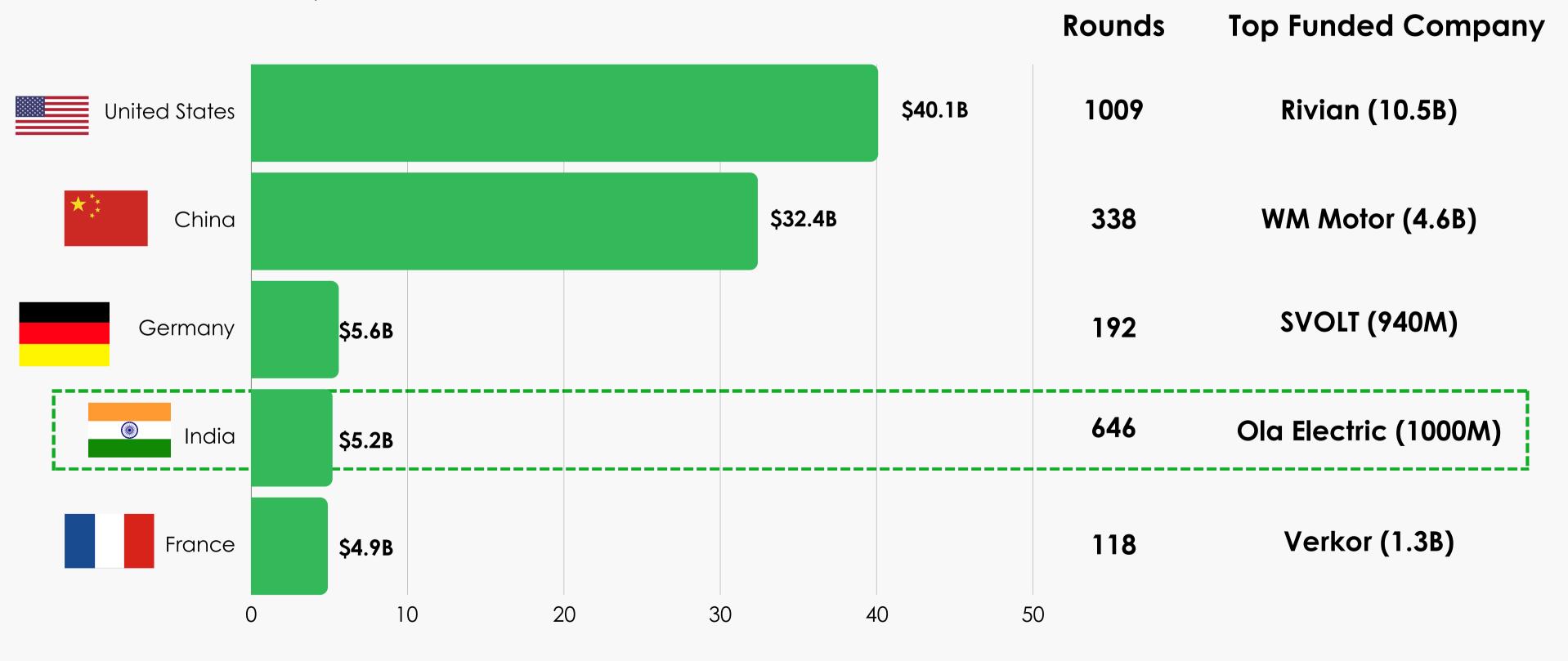
Electric cars accounted for around 18% of all cars sold in 2023, up from 14% in 2022 and only 2% 5 years earlier, in 2018. These trends indicate that growth remains robust as electric car markets mature.





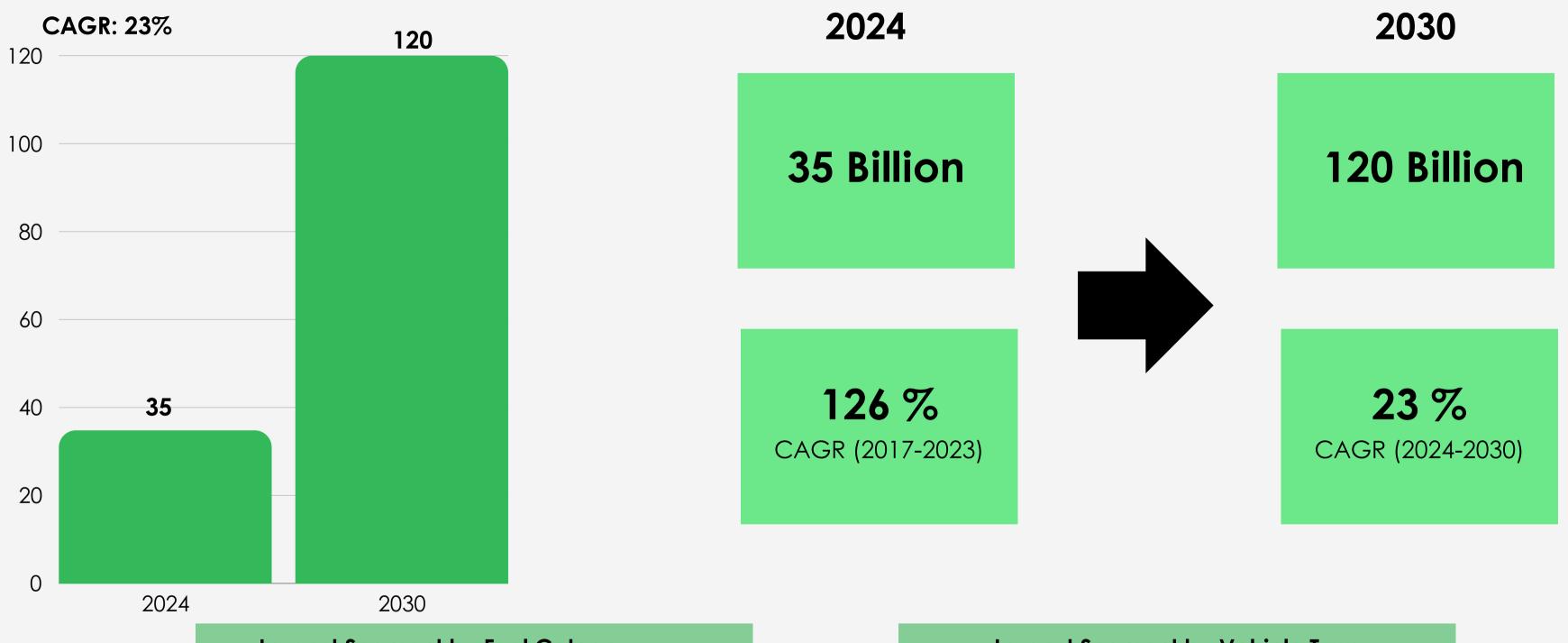
# India's Positioning in The Global Market

India comes under the top 5 most funded countries.



# Indian Market Size and Growth





#### Largest Segment by Fuel Category

98%

Value Share, BEV, 2023

Battery Electric Vehicles dominate India's EV market. BEVs have rechargeable batteries and no gasoline engine.

#### **Largest Segment by Vehicle Type**

89%

Value Share, Two-Wheelers, 2023



Two-Wheelers dominate the market due to their affordability, convenience in congestion and low operating costs.

Source: Mordor Intelligence



# **Major Players**

**Two-Wheelers** 



**Ola Electric Mobility** 

**Okinawa Autotech** 

**Hero Electric** 

**Ampere Vehicle** 

**Ather Energy** 

**Three-Wheelers** 



**Mahindra Electric** 

**Piaggio Vehicles** 

**Euler Motors** 

**Atul Auto** 

**Lohia Auto** 

Four-Wheelers



**Tata Motors** 

**MG Motor India** 

**Mahindra Electric** 

**Hyundai India** 

**BYD India** 

The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship predicts the EV industry could generate 1 crore direct jobs and 5 crore indirect jobs by 2030.

Investments:

\$6B (2021)

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\$20B (2030)

**PE/VC Investments:** 

\$181M

→ \$1,718M

(849% growth annually)

# Midstream Suppliers



**Battery Manufacturers** 



















### **Fleet Operators**













# Battery Management Systems









# Charging Infrastructure Providers









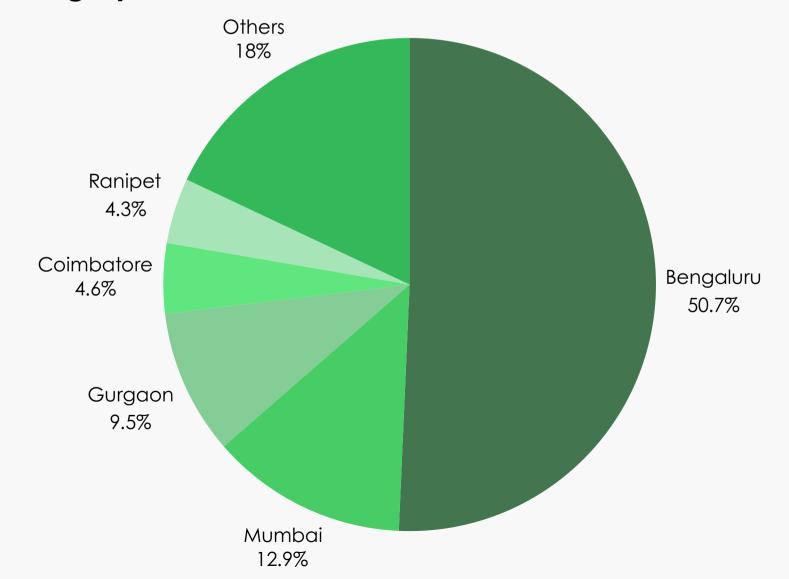




# **Investment Climate**

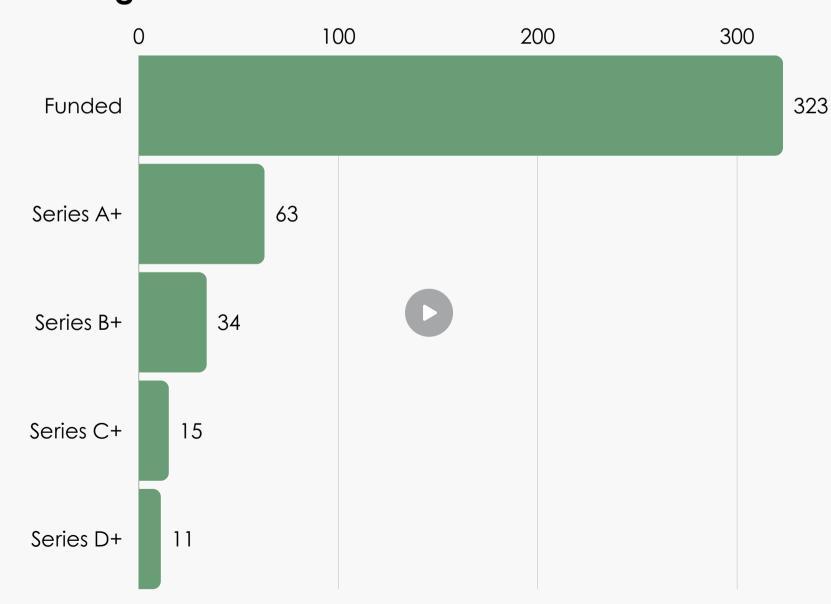


#### Funding by cities





#### **Funding Funnel**



# Where are VCs Looking to Invest?





# **Battery Technology**

With the high cost and critical importance of batteries, innovations in battery technology, including efficiency improvements and recycling processes, are attracting substantial investments.



# EV Manufacturers (OEMs)

A significant portion of investments (90% in the first 10 months of CY2022) is directed towards pureplay EV manufacturers like Ola Electric and Ather Energy. This sector attracts large investments due to its potential for mass-market penetration and growth

Growing interest in specialized financing solutions that support the EV ecosystem. This includes leasing options, subscription models, and other financial products that lower the barrier to entry for consumers and businesses looking to switch to electric vehicles



**Specialized Financing** 

VCs are investing in telematics for real-time vehicle data, fleet management software to optimize logistics and cut costs, and smart charging solutions for efficient energy use and grid integration. IoT technology enhances communication between EVs, charging stations, and infrastructure, improving navigation, energy management, and safety.



**Software and Connectivity Solutions** 

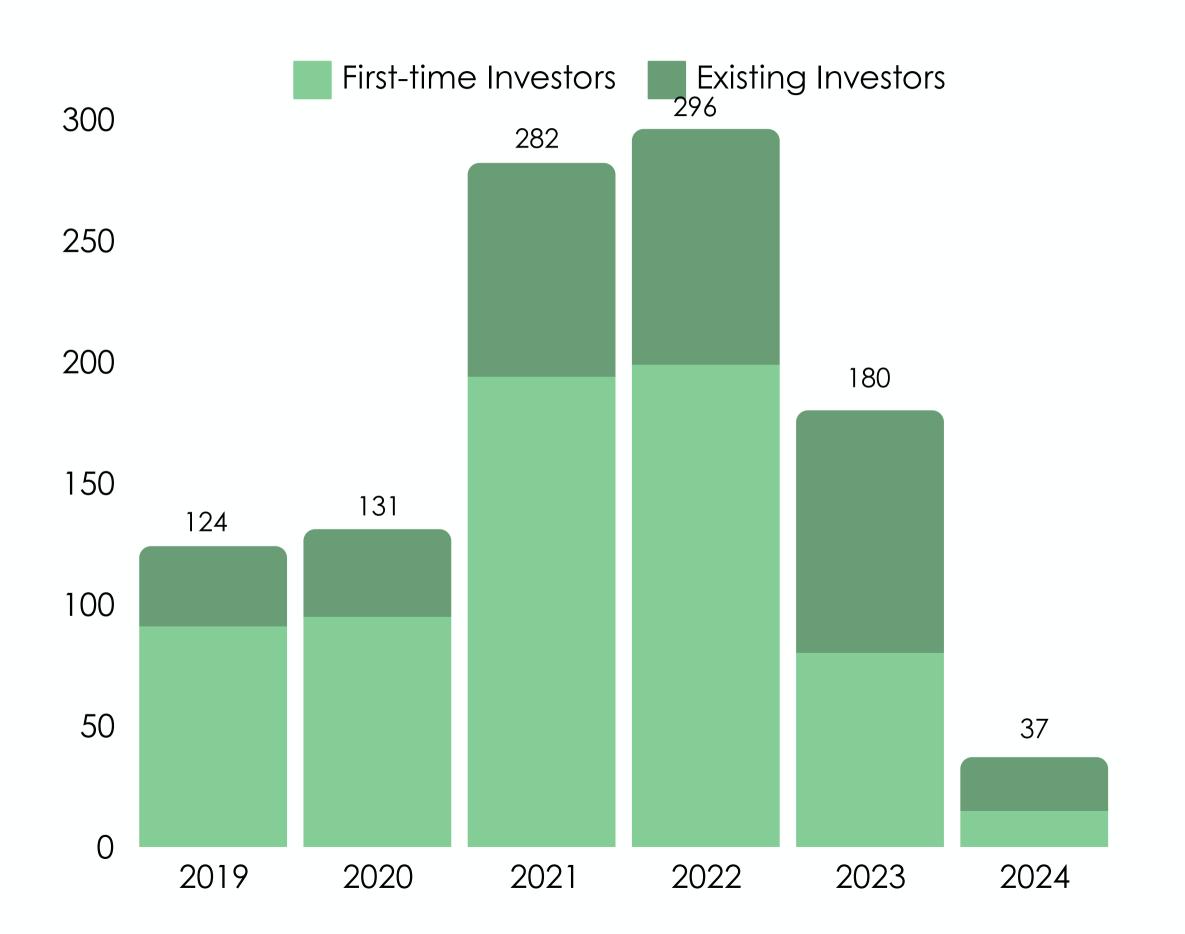


# **Top Funding Rounds**

Organisation	Funds Raised	Round	Investors
TATA MOTORS Connecting Aspirations  Tata Passenger	\$496M	Series D	The Rise Fund
Ampere Vehicles	\$220M	Series B	Abdul Latif Jameel
TI Clean Mobility	\$145M	Series D	SBI, Multiple Asset Management
Mahindra Electric	\$145M	PE	Temasek
Ola Electric	\$140M	Series E	Temasek, DIG Investment, etc.



# Y-o-Y Active Investors



### **Most Active Investors**











# Most Actively Investing in The Indian EV Industry

	Organisation	Overall Invetsments	Investments in EV	Notable Investments
	Blume	257	6	Yulu (\$125M), Euler Motors (\$106M), Battery Smart (\$74.0M)
TIGERGLOBAL	Tiger Global Management	771	3	Ola Electric (\$1000M), Ather Energy (\$445M), Battery Smart (\$74.0M)
ANICUT	Anicut Capital	110	4	Log9 Materials (\$89.7M), Zypp Electric (\$37.5M), Echargeup (\$9.6M)
	Venture Catalysts	321	9	BluSmart (\$118M), Charge Zone (\$71.2M), Zypp Electric (\$37.5M)
FC	We Founder Circle	153	7	BluSmart (\$118M), Zypp Electric (\$37.5M), Oben Electric (\$11.9M)

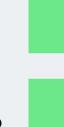


### Predictions for EV Penetration in India

The creation of an ecosystem is essential to success.









**Innovation and Technology** 

Reduced dependancy on imports

Consumer preferences

**Substantial PE/VC investments** 

High petrol, diesel & CNG prices

Improving cost competitiveness





2W & 3Ws will be the pioneers of the EV penetration. Whereas, buses will be dependent on state undertakings and 4Ws will fall behind and follow slower adoption.