Emerging Pattern of Industrial Development in Haryana, India

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The economic growth of Haryana has been exemplary since its creation as a separate state in 1966. The state is known for its vibrant agrarian economy and strong industrial base and is amongst the front runners of industrial development in India that is showcased with its leading position in production of a number of industrial and consumer goods. The maturity of its economy can be gauged from the fact that nearly 59 per cent of its GDP is contributed by the Services Sector, about 27 per cent by the Secondary/Industries and 14 per cent by the Agriculture Sector. Average annual growth rate of state GDP has increased from 4.06 per cent during 1970-80 period to 8.95 percent during 2000-10 period which is higher than average annual growth rate of India (7.37 per cent) during the same period. The State has about 1,670 Large and Medium Enterprises which have catalysed investments of Rs. 49,000 crore and generated employment for 3.36 lakh persons. Besides, there are around 90,000 MSMEs with total investment exceeding Rs.15,000 crore and employing more than 8.90 lakh persons. Despite huge success, the state is facing intra-state disparities in industrial development. The problem is expected to accentuate in future as after the introduction of policy of economic liberalization, governments have withdrawn its authority pertaining to the location of industrial and other economic activities. The present paper is an attempt to carry out the spatial distribution and growth as well as regional imbalances in the industrial development in the state. Secondary data i.e. number of industrial units, industrial workers, input-output etc has been used to measure the intra state disparities. The data has been analyzed using statistical techniques and presented using GIS technique.