



**Green
Indian
Financial
System**

**Promoting
Knowledge Exchanges And
International Network
Towards The Greening Of
Indian Financial System**

An Initiative By



*Building up on the
current momentum around
climate finance in India*

PRESENTATION

OBJECTIVES

- 1 Training & capacity building
- 2 Knowledge & experience sharing
- 3 Networking events

In January 2022, Agence Française de Développement (AFD), Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) and Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation launched the Green Indian Financial System (GIFS) Initiative.

The GIFS Initiative aims at building up on the current momentum around climate finance in India, and especially around the greening of the financial system – a less explored yet crucial dimension of the mobilization of climate finance.

By gathering a community of like-minded finance practitioners composed of banks and financial institutions from India and France, and willing to participate to the greening of the Indian financial system, GIFS Initiative expects to widen and shape the discourse around greening the financial ecosystem and support its operationalization through the Indian institutions. Ultimately, GIFS support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and Net Zero 2070

target fixed by Honorable Prime Minister Modi.

The initiative is fueled by continuous exchanges of ideas, knowledge and experiences between the Indian community and its French and European peers. In 2022, it has especially been implementing bilateral networking events, training cycles, conferences and high-level closed door seminars – designed to raise awareness and ultimately to support the progressive development of required tools for the Indian financial sector needs. Such events have been attended by public and private financial institutions, as well as by Indian and European policy-makers, regulators and supervisors (Ministry of Finance, Reserve Bank of India,...).

THE GIFS COMMUNITY

20 Prominent French and European institutions and climate finance experts gathered as of June 2022



300

Indian Financial practitioners gathered during the various events of the GIFS



15 CEOs and executive management of major private and public Indian financial stakeholders gathered in Paris in June 2022 for a one-of-a-kind roundtable

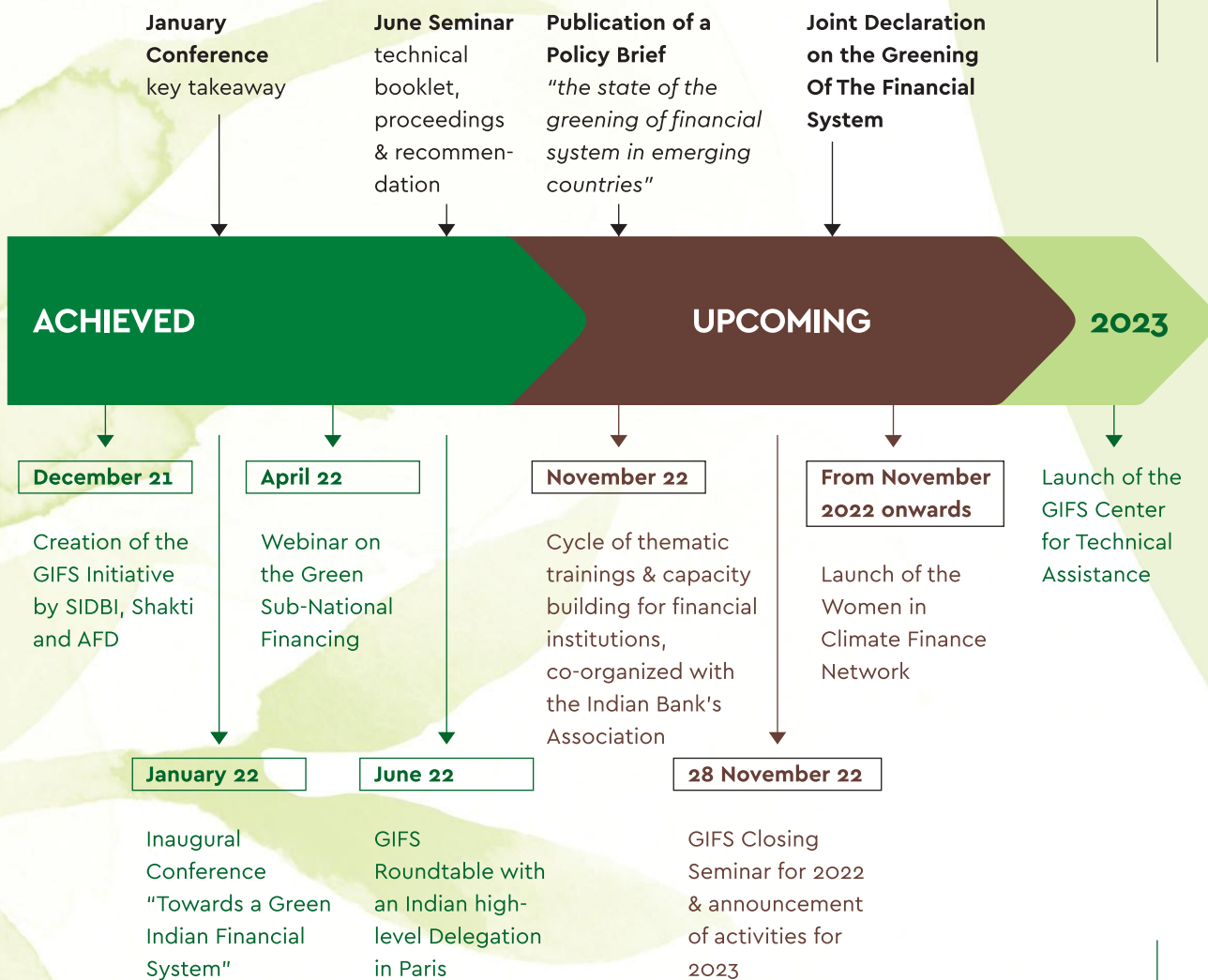


4 Conferences, roundtables and seminar organized in 2022



GIFS MILESTONES

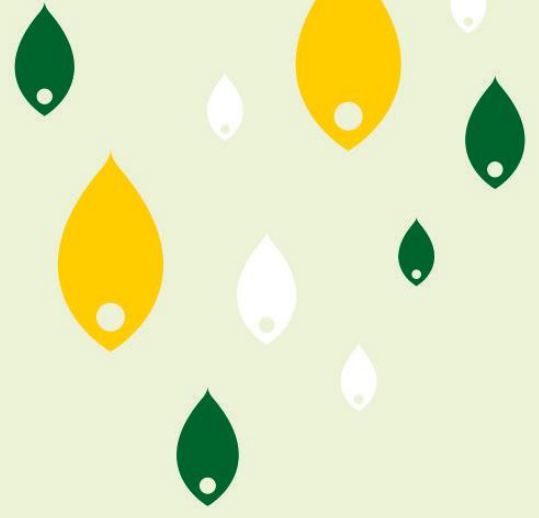
RESOURCES¹



EVENTS

¹available on the GIFS website

²CPI, Landscape of Green Finance 2022, August 2022



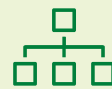
THEMATICS OF THE GIFS



Climate finance
strategies



Climate-related
and transition risks
assessment



Taxonomy



Biodiversity

Greening The Indian Financial System?

Following COP 26, India has set ambitious targets with enhanced 2030 NDCs, energy independence by 2047 along with commitment towards net zero by 2070. Achieving such targets require approximately INR 162,5 lakh crores (USD 2,5 trillion) till 2030¹. Currently, only 13% of these green and climate investments are fulfilled. The urgency of these commitments is all the more stringent than India is highly vulnerable to climate change.

Scaling capital flows towards transition activities and green projects would ultimately require climate considerations to be embedded within the Indian financial system. Increased transparency, accountability, and verifiability of 'green investments' are typically leverages for scaling up investments and systemizing them in the long-term.

Climate change and upcoming transition also have direct implications on the economy and financial system, including banks, in terms of risks and opportunities – in this regard, it becomes imperative for stakeholders, from policy-makers to practitioners, to understand and manage them.

For all of these reasons, the greening of the financial system is increasingly recognized as a critical driver to achieve goals of the Paris Agreement ; and requires coordinated efforts from all stakeholders, both at a domestic and international level.

The GIFS Initiative has been created to support such synergies in the Indian financial sector.



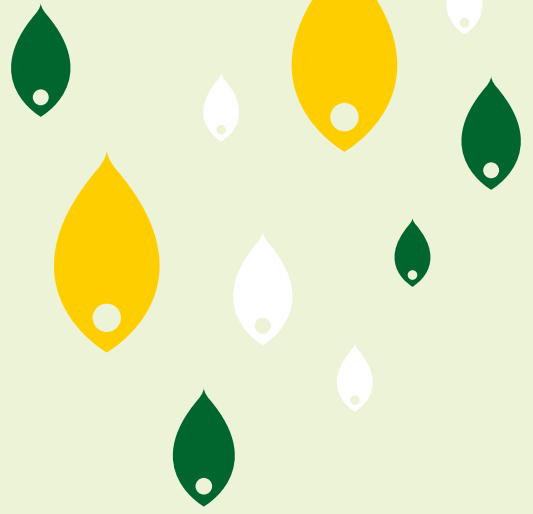
AFD Group implements France's policy in the areas of development and international solidarity. The Group includes Agence Française de Développement (AFD), which finances the public sector and NGOs, as well as research and education in sustainable development; its subsidiary Proparco, which is dedicated to private sector financing; and Expertise France, a technical cooperation agency. The Group finances, supports and accelerates transitions towards a fairer, more resilient world



Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) set up on 2nd April 1990 under an Act of Indian Parliament, acts as the Principal Financial Institution for Promotion, Financing and Development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) sector as well as for co-ordination of functions of institutions engaged in similar activities.



Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation seeks to facilitate India's transition to a sustainable energy future by aiding the design and implementation of policies in the following areas: clean power, energy efficiency, sustainable urban transport, climate change mitigation and clean energy finance.



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