

# INDIA TRANSFORMER MARKET OUTLOOK: SALES TO SURPASS ₹40,000 CRORE BY FY 26 ON THE BACK T&D PUSH

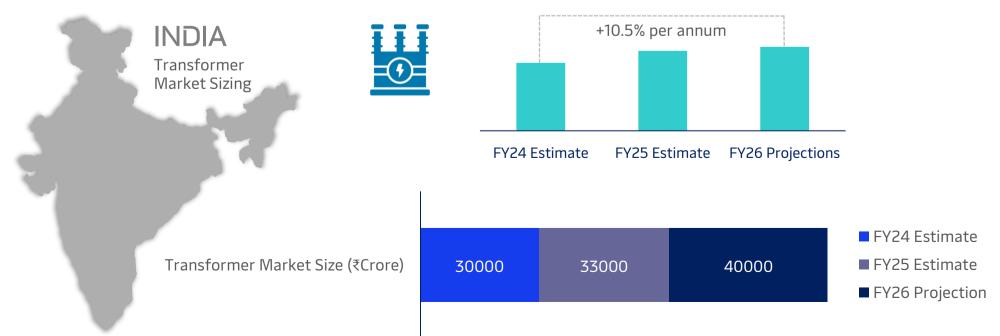
India's transformer market is set to cross ₹40,000 crore by FY26, driven by rising power demand, NEP targets, and replacement cycles. With a ₹75,000 crore revenue opportunity unfolding in just two fiscals, the sector stands at a decisive growth inflection

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# Indian Transformer Market Overview

The Indian transformer market is entering a high-growth phase, with sales projected to breach ₹40,000 crore in FY26, up from an estimated ₹33,000 crore in FY25. This 10–11% YoY growth reflects structural drivers in the country's power sector — including surging generation capacity, accelerated T&D investments, and an impending replacement cycle.

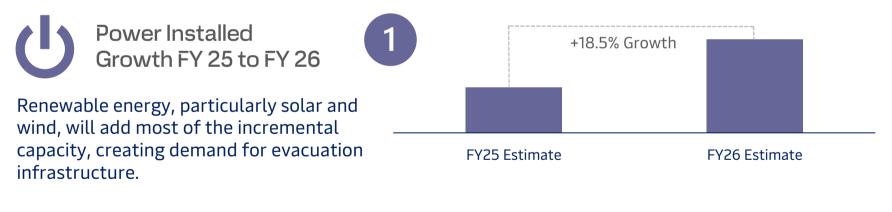


Cumulative Revenue Opportunity (FY25-26)

₹ 72,000 Crores

**Eninrac View:** The CAGR of ~10% places transformers among the faster-growing equipment categories within power T&D, particularly given the alignment with **National Electricity Plan (NEP) 2022–27 targets**.

## Demand Drivers - Transformers in India





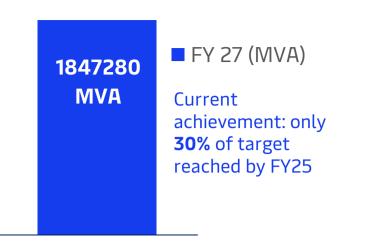
This sharp demand curve accelerates the need for high-capacity transmission corridors and distribution strengthening, both transformer-intensive.



Source: eninrac consulting, CEA



**Gap Analysis**: Over **1.2 million MVA** of additional capacity must be added in the next two years.





# Replacement Demand of Transformers

- Transformers installed during 2000–
  2005 are reaching their 25-year lifecycle
- This represents nearly 15–20% of the installed base, translating into significant replacement orders.

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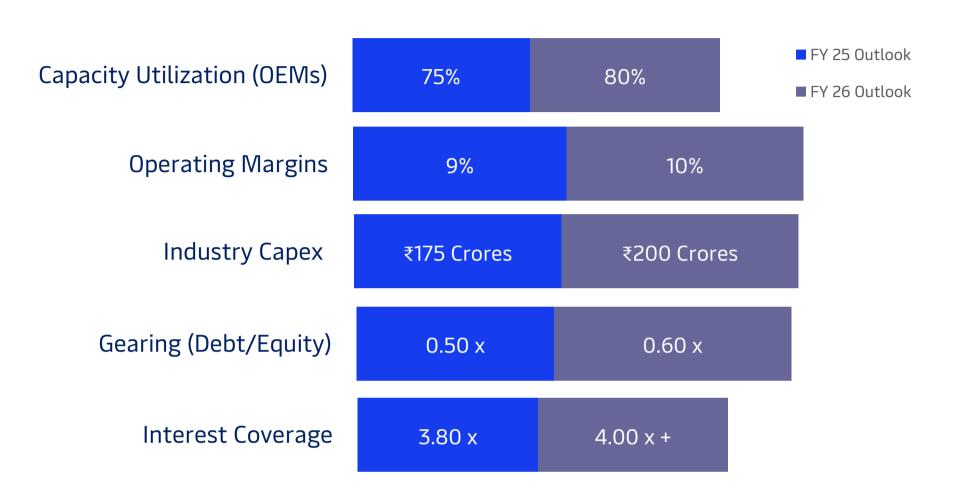


# Financial & Operational Landscape

The financial and operational outlook for India's transformer industry underscores a phase of healthy stability alongside measured expansion. Capacity utilization among OEMs is expected to rise from ~75% in FY25 to over 80% by FY26, reflecting robust demand pipelines backed by T&D investments and replacement orders. This improvement in utilization directly supports operating leverage, enabling manufacturers to sustain margins in the 8–10% range, despite competitive bidding environments.

Industry-wide capital expenditure is projected to increase from ~₹150–200 crore in FY25 to beyond ₹200 crore in FY26, as OEMs scale manufacturing capacity and upgrade technology to meet higher demand. Importantly, this investment is being undertaken with a conservative financial posture. Gearing levels are expected to remain contained at 0.6\*, while interest coverage will strengthen to over 4\*, highlighting the ability of companies to comfortably manage debt obligations without compromising liquidity.

## **Exhibit: Financial & Operational Landscape for India's Transformer Industry**



Source: eninrac consulting

Such resilience is further anchored by relatively lean balance sheets and improved cash flows from order executions. With utilities and infrastructure developers accelerating project rollouts under **the NEP framework, cash inflows are anticipated to improve**, thereby reducing dependency on external financing.

**Eninrac Insight:** The sector's ability to balance growth-linked capex with prudent financial discipline positions OEMs strongly for the next phase of expansion. Rising utilization and stable margins will not only protect profitability but also enhance credit profiles. This ensures the transformer industry remains well-capitalized to capture the unfolding ₹75,000 crore opportunity over the next two fiscals.

# Competitive Landscape for Indian Transformer Market

India's transformer industry is served by a diverse mix of **domestic public sector enterprises, private players, and global OEMs**, each occupying a distinct niche across the value chain. As the market expands towards ₹40,000 crore by FY26, competitive positioning will be shaped not only by technological differentiation and pricing strategies but also by the ability to execute large-scale orders on time.

## **Exhibit: Indian Transformer Market Share (Estimated) (FY25-26)**



TBEA/Shandong (Chinese OEMs): Chinese players like TBEA and Shandong have established a foothold in HVDC and high-capacity transformers, largely due to competitive pricing and proven execution in large-scale projects.



Siemens India: Siemens' advantage lies in its integration across EPC and T&D projects, combined with advanced grid technology solutions.

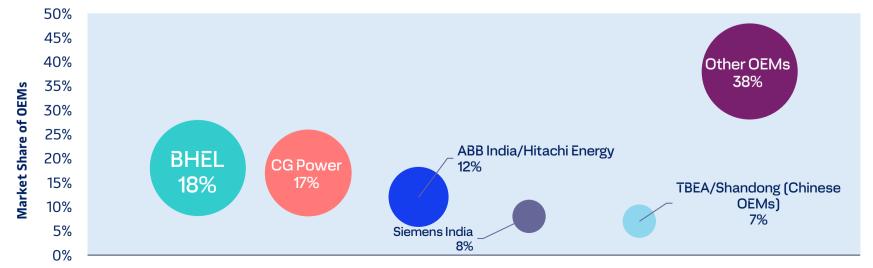


**BHEL:** BHEL remains a dominant player in the **large power transformer** segment, leveraging its PSU heritage, wide-scale manufacturing base, and established relationships with central and state utilities.

CG Power & Industrial Solutions: CG Power has consolidated its position as a leading manufacturer in distribution transformers, with a diversified product base that enables it to serve both domestic and export markets. Its extensive distribution network adds resilience.



**ABB India / Hitachi Energy:** As a technology leader in high-voltage transformers and advanced grid solutions, ABB India and Hitachi Energy offer strong global expertise, including in digital and smart transformers. Their capability to cater to export markets further strengthens their positioning.



Source: eninrac consulting

#### **Emerging Indian OEMs**

Smaller domestic manufacturers play a vital role in niche and regional markets, demonstrating agility in serving **smaller distribution transformer demand** and providing quick turnaround solutions. Yet, their **limited scale and financing capabilities** restrict their participation in large-scale T&D expansion projects.

**Eninrac Insight:** The competitive dynamics suggest that while PSU and established private players will dominate large orders, global OEMs will leverage technology edge, and smaller Indian OEMs will serve regional opportunities. Strategic alliances, localization initiatives, and product innovation will define the winners in the ₹75,000 crore opportunity landscape.

# Strategic Implications for Market Participants



#### OEMs:

- Ramp up manufacturing capacities to capitalize on >80% utilization trends
- Leverage technology partnerships for smart and digital transformers (aligned with smart grids).
- Focus on replacement demand through O&M service offerings.



#### **Investors:**

- Attractive short-to-medium term growth play with stable 8–10% margins.
- Low gearing and predictable demand make the sector favorable for institutional investors.



## **Policy Makers:**

- Streamline tendering & payment processes to de-risk OEMs.
- Incentivize localization and R&D in high-voltage transformer technologies.

### The Bottomline

The Indian transformer industry is at a decisive inflection point. Sales crossing ₹40,000 crore by FY26 is only a milestone within a larger trajectory of sustained growth. The dual tailwinds of capacity addition (NEP gap of >1.2 million MVA) and replacement demand from aging assets will keep order books buoyant. With ₹70,000-75,000 crore opportunity unfolding in just two fiscals, this segment offers one of the most compelling growth narratives in India's power equipment market.



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