How to Innovate for India

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Dieses Wochenende präsentiere ich Ihnen ein paar Hintergrund-Stories, an denen Sie erkennen wie sich die globale wirtschaftliche Machtverteilung langsam ändert. Indien rückt immer mehr in den Vordergrund. Die Deutschen sind faul geworden...

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Austrian Companies in India (Examples)











Top Products for Top Market

World market leaders in niche markets (B2B; industry!)





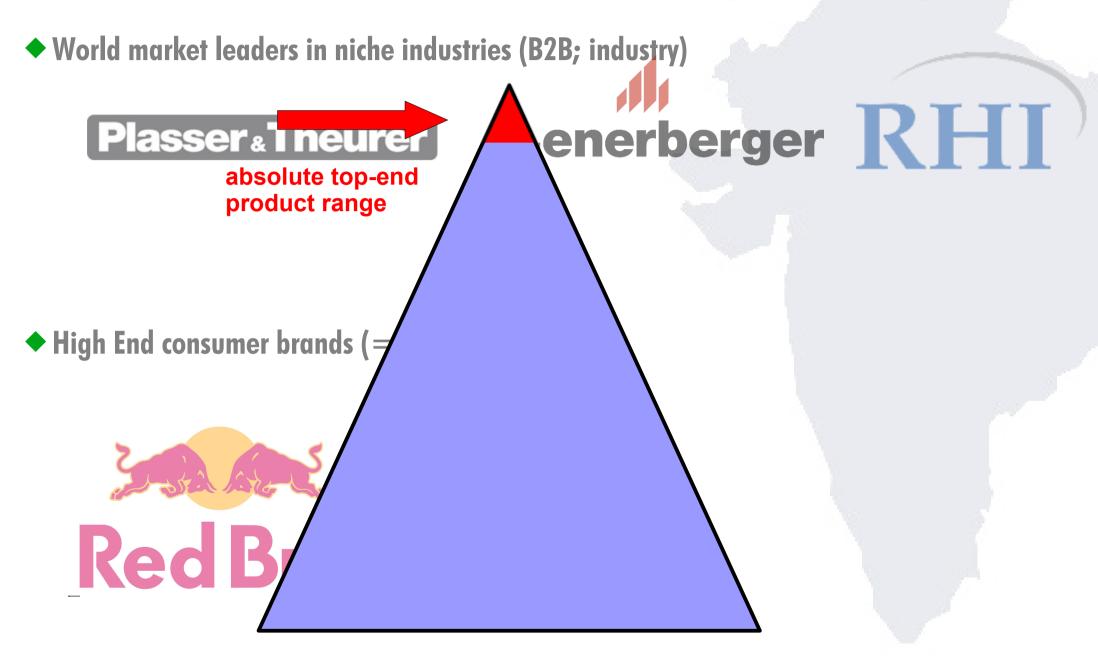


◆ High End consumer brands (= luxury goods)

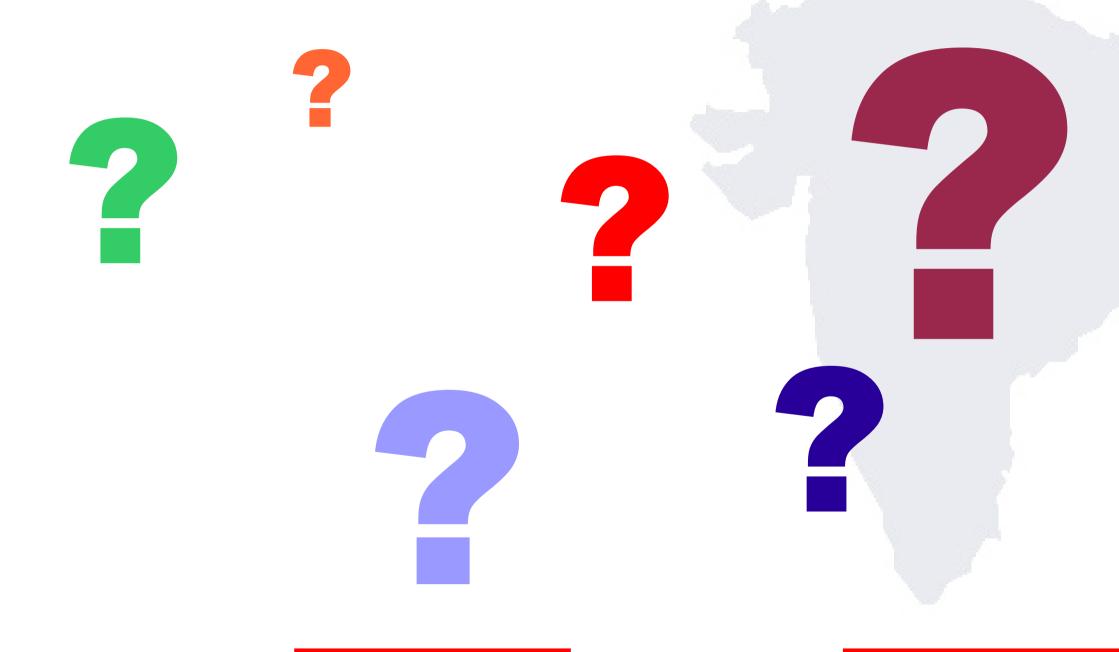




High-end Products for Top of the Pyramid



What does AT offer to a broader (Mass) Market...?



Mostly struggling...

◆ Austrian KMU/SME/Mittelstand have a tough time in India

- 99.7% of companies *
- 67% of employment *
- 63% GDP *
 - * ... http://www.kmuforschung.ac.at/

Even leading German Corporations are not able to crack the Indian market

- Mobility: Volkswagen
- Healthcare: Siemens, Dräger, Fresenius etc
- FMCG: Henkel, Dr. Oetker etc
- Consumer Electronics: Bosch Siemens Hausgeräte

Why Companies struggle in India

Poor product-market fit

- Product customisation (glocalisation) is not enough
- Gap in product performance/price, infrastructure, sustainability, regulatory, preferences

No Indovation

NO products for the "Indian" middle class

◆ Fierce competition from India

Indian companies have deep market intelligence, access to technology and money



Glocalisation - Indovation

- glocalisation: globalisation + localisation
- Indovation: Innovation for India
- Mango & banana taste is no indovation
- No product market fit
 - Target only Americanised Indians
 - Loosing out on 99% of market

Indovation by GE: Electrocardiograph

Glocalisation: low-end product from US failed

- Good urban hospitals
- Fixed unit, heavy, not robust, big, complicated
- Expensive: USD 3,000 (- USD 10,000)

Indovation: Product Made for India created new markets

- Rural India, doctors
- Requirements: portable, lightweight, robust, battery-supply, usability, ease of maintenance
- Affordable: USD 400 − 800

Reverse Innovation disrupt markets in the West

Sold back in the USA







Indovations - Made in India









14 \$ as 14 patents

Nanotechnology

Value Products: High tech - low Price

Standardization,
Specialization,
economies of scale,
assembly line production

1000 \$ 30 \$







MORE value, for LESS money, for MORE people

◆ '50% solution' for 15% of the price

- 'Nobody' is waiting for over-engineered: EU: 1 x 10€ vs IN 10x1€
- Exporting cannot achieve such results
- You cannot solve India's problem of 2013 with Europe's technology and product from the last century
- 50% solutions will become 90% solutions and come to West (reverse innovation)

Leapfrog through technologies (no legacy systems to hold you back)

Landline → cell phone; Computer → smart phone; Centralised electric power → renewable

Where does YOUR technology create value?

- Mobility & transportation
- Energy & lighting
- Water & Sanitation
- Housing, construction supply, tools
- Food (processing)
- Health care (diagnostics etc)

Huge problems \rightarrow huge markets \rightarrow \$\$\$

Stop Exporting! Start Innovating!



Principles for product development

- Create VALUE for money
 - Instead of 'cheap' generic
- ◆ Low margin high volume
 - Scalability!



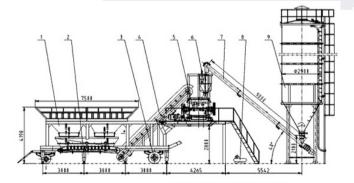
Functionality is important!

- Nobody is going to pay for design (e.g. Apple vs Android)
- Design products that match the customers behaviour, preferences and taste.



Hybrid solutions & modular design

- Fill the gaps
- e.g. Anlagenbau
- Simplicity & usability, durability and robustness
 - Climate conditions are extreme, infrastructure is poor, and all resources are fully utilised



Principles for product development

- ◆ Form small interdisciplinary, multicultural and flexible groups to innovate
 - Allow Indian engineers and marketers lead the innovation process
 - Support them with your technology and global resources
- ◆ Apply Pareto principle (20-80) and *Jugaad* as design paradigms
 - No over-engineering!
- ◆ Indovations: product, process and business models
 - Packaging, Product → Service; Financing, new distribution models
- **◆ All-in Service**
 - Door-step service instead of DIY-model
- Position your product/service as a status symbol
 - Understand the Indian value system
- ◆ Source locally, innovate and manufacture in India



'How to Innovate' - GuideBook

Book content

- The Indian society
- The Indian consumer
- The Indian Market(s)
- 3 phases of Indovation-process
- 15 case studies/guest authors
 (Philips, Mercedes, Kuka, u.v.m.)

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