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**Report description:**

India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market is projected to witness a CAGR of 4.91% during the forecast period FY2026-FY2033, growing from USD 2.66 billion in FY2025 to USD 3.90 billion in FY2033. The market has experienced significant growth in recent years and is expected to maintain a strong pace of expansion in the coming years. In India, LLDPE demand is increasing at a robust rate due to its flexibility and adaptation in various application and end-user industry. One of major driver is increasing consumption of LLDPE in India is the packaging industry, LLDPE is used to manufacture stretch films, plastics bags and sheets. Also, the expansion of e-commerce and food delivery sector is booming, which requires packaging material for the products. With growing population and economy of India, there is increment in the construction project where the demand of LLDPE is must. The automobile industry is also increasing at a strong growth rate in India, which will further boost up the demand of LLDPE in India. With the rising focus on the above applications, LLDPE demand in India is increasing at a significant rate. Government initiatives are significantly impacting the India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market, particularly in the packaging sector. Programs promoting sustainable development and infrastructure improvements, such as the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and the Smart Cities Mission, are driving the demand for innovative packaging solutions. In 2023, India government has introduced the production linked incentive scheme (PLI) with the main aim of enhancing the domestic production and reduced import dependency. Programs like PLI boost industries consuming LLDPE (electronics, packaging), increasing demand for diverse, high-quality packaging materials, thereby driving the LLDPE demand. Growth in Packaging Demand is a Key Driver for LLDPE Demand in India. The need for packaging solutions is accelerating the growth of the LLDPE demand in India. As the e-commerce and retail sectors continue to expand, the demand for strong yet flexible and inexpensive packaging materials has increased. LLDPE has higher

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tensile strength and impact resistance; therefore, it is increasingly becoming the preferred material for stretch films, plastic bags, and sheets. This has increased the demand not only to consume LLDPE but also for its innovative and improved processes at the production level. It therefore coincides with consumerism in as far as a vast percentage of people turn to food delivery and other fast services via online services and a drive towards packaging as green.

For example, according to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India, the Indian plastic processing sector is made up of around 30,000 units that use injection molding, blow molding, extrusion, and calendaring to manufacture a variety of products, as of 2023. Plastic use in India varies significantly by area, with Western India accounting for 47%, Northern India for 23%, and Southern India for 21%. Hence, these factors strengthen the India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market toward robust growth and establishing a niche for LLDPE in the Indian packaging space.

#### Government Initiatives Acting as a Catalyst

The Government initiatives are driving the India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market. Programs such as Make in India, Aatmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan, and so on, create a conducive environment for growth in the chemicals and petrochemicals sector. The programs aim to promote domestic manufacturing, reduce dependence on imports, and attract foreign investments. In so doing, the government through various policy support and incentives fosters the development of sophisticated manufacturing capabilities and promotes sustainable growth. This has translated into significant investments in the LLDPE sector, increasing the capacity of production and encouraging innovation. As such, this gives rise to a high-growth prospect for the LLDPE market, working toward the overall objectives of the Indian economy and the quest for self-reliance.

For instance, as of 2024, the government has approved four petroleum, chemical and petrochemical investment regions (PCPIRs) in Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Odisha and Tamil Nadu. In each region, around 250 square kilometer area is allotted for the project, with 40% dedicated to processing activities, infrastructure and services. The aim of the project is to boost industrial and expansion and attract a significant investment of 91 billion (INR 7,62,894 crores), once fully established.

#### Dominance of C4-LLDPE

C4-LLDPE is highly preferred in the packaging industry to produce stretch films, plastic bags, and sheets due to excellent tensile strength, flexibility, and impact resistance. This type of LLDPE is also in high demand due to its low production cost and efficient processing properties, and it is considered favorable to manufacturers. Increased packaging needs in the e-commerce and retail sectors and growing demand for food delivery services further increased the demand for butene-based LLDPE. Besides, some of its applications are even agricultural films, irrigation pipes, and other industrial uses making it the most preferred variety in the India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market.

For instance, in August 2023, Bharat Petroleum Corp Ltd (BPCL) dedicated USD 20.3 billion towards refinery and petrochemical growth under 'Project Aspire' where large expansions at Bina and Kochi refineries will be undertaken. The Bina project will increase capacity by 41% and will produce 1.15 million tons per year of polyethylene, including high-density polyethylene (HDPE) and LLDPE, and 50,000 tons per year of butene-1. Such projects focus on fulfilling the increasing demand of LLDPE in India.

#### Western India Dominates the Market Share

India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market is largely dominated by the Western India-based Gujarat. It takes advantage of a strong strategic position, robust industrial base, and good petrochemical infrastructure. Industry giants like Reliance Industries and Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) are headquartered in the region. In the past few years, these giants have increased their capacities. For instance, Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) plans to establish a USD 2.13 billion (INR 17,825 crore) expansion at the Vadodara refinery to include the setting up of a polypropylene plant.

Furthermore, in October 2023, a major investment of USD 2.48 billion (INR 20,685 crore) was announced for establishing a petrochemical complex in Dahej by Petronet LNG that will give a huge impetus to polymer production in Gujarat. Such high-value investments are critical to the building of strong production capacities and to meet the increased demand for LLDPE in end-use industries. As these facilities are located close to large ports, access to the country's and the world's markets is easily feasible from here. In addition, Gujarat has developed infrastructure with excellent connectivity and available skilled manpower, which further cements its position. Consequently, West India continues to remain the leader in the LLDPE market in India with its growth, innovation, and competitiveness in petrochemical products.

#### Future Market Scenario (FY2026 - FY2033F)

-□LLDPE consumption will continue to increase mainly through the packaging industry because of the growth of e-commerce, retail,

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and food delivery businesses.

-□The largest consumer of LLDPE will remain in the packaging sector with the expansion of e-commerce, retail, and food delivery services.

-□There will be a focus on sustainable packaging solutions, and preference will lie in LLDPE for recycling potential and minimizing environmental impacts against other materials.

-□Initiatives such as the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme and infrastructure development projects will drive the LLDPE market through domestic manufacturing and reduction in import dependency.

#### Key Players Landscape and Outlook

India linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) market is led by major players. These companies have considerable contributions to the industry because of their strong production capacities, innovative technologies, and strategic investments. Reliance Industries Limited holds the market with its state-of-the-art facilities in Gujarat that cater to the most diverse industrial sectors, including packaging, agriculture, and infrastructure. Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) is also increasing polymer production through major projects, like the expansion of the Panipat Refinery, to further consolidate its position in the LLDPE market. GAIL (India) Limited also plays a very important role, as it has its manufacturing network well spread across the country to meet the domestic demand, especially in butene-grade LLDPE.

For instance, in June 2023, Hindustan Petroleum-Mittal Energy (HMEL) began producing LLDPE at its new integrated petrochemical complex at the Guru Gobind Singh refinery in northwest India's Punjab state. The total annual production capacity of the petrochemical complex would be 1.25 million metric tons.

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