

# Fast Decision Making Tool for District Cooling Project Development in Urban Planning Stage: an Application in India

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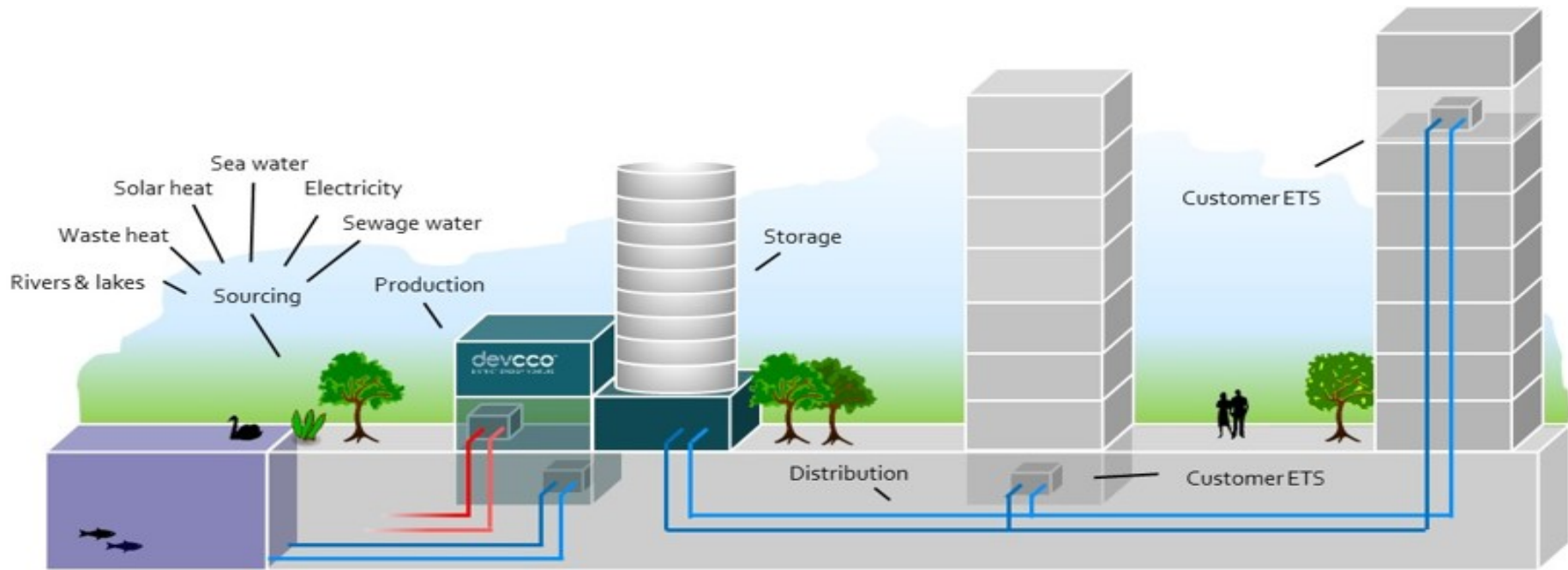
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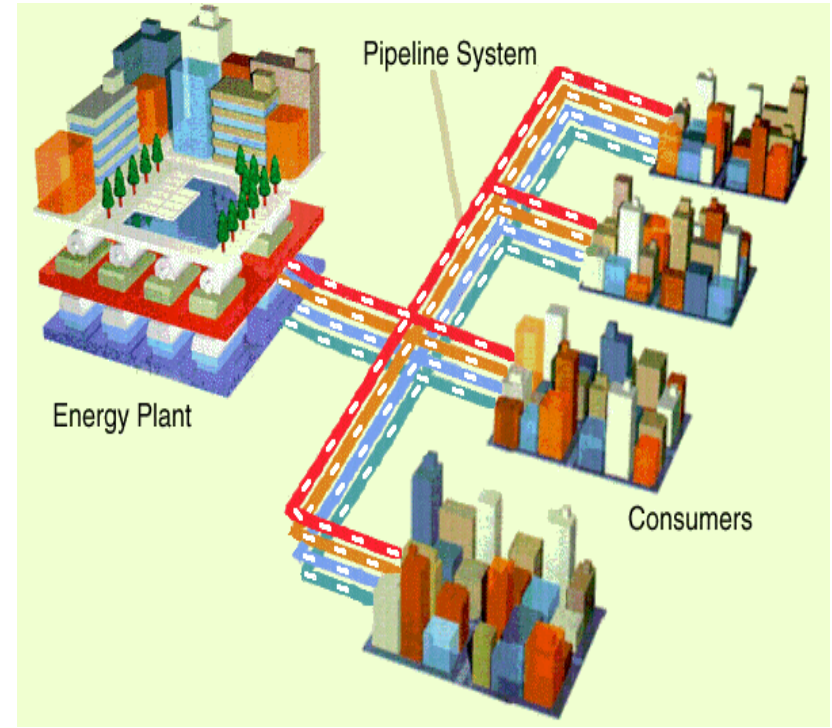


District cooling aims to use local energy sources that otherwise would be wasted or not used, in order to offer for the local market a competitive and high-energy-efficient alternative to the traditional cooling solutions.

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## Definition of District Cooling:

- A system to combine heating/cooling station and end-users through pipeline network
- Is defined as **public service**, similar to electricity, water, gas etc.
- Cooling sources could include waste heat, electrical cooling, free cooling etc.
- Targeted customers: industrial/process cooling (warehouse, data centre), city complex, public buildings (hospital), commercial buildings, luxury residential buildings



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**3.9**  
**TOTAL FUNDING**  
 (\$ MILLION)

**9.7**  
**TOTAL CO-FINANCE UNLOCKED**  
 (\$ MILLION)

**36**  
**NUMBER OF CITIES**

**45**  
**NUMBER OF PARTNERS**

**215**  
**INVESTMENT COMMITTED**  
 (\$ MILLION)

**22**  
**INVESTMENT ACHIEVED**  
 (\$ MILLION)

**290 000**  
**CO<sub>2</sub> PROJECTED REDUCTIONS**  
 (tCO<sub>2</sub>/yr)

CHILE **15** INDIA **200**



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 COOKING EFFICIENCY PROGRAM

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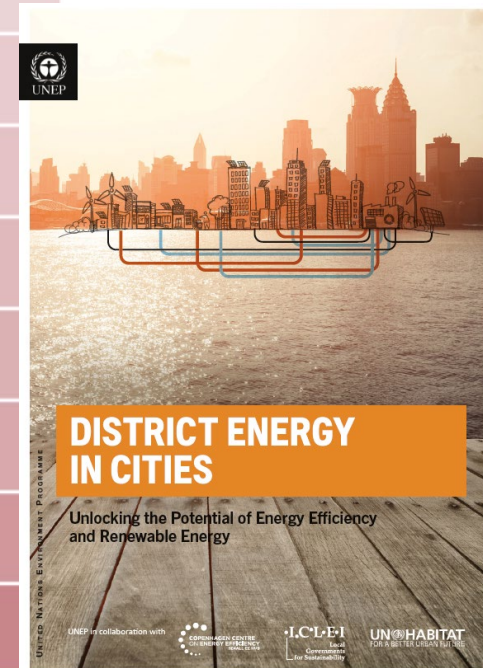
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# HOW TO DEVELOP DISTRICT COOLING?

1. **ASSESS** existing energy and climate policy objectives, strategies and targets, and identify catalysts
2. **STRENGTHEN** or develop the institutional multi-stakeholder coordination framework
3. **INTEGRATE** district energy into national and/or local energy strategy and planning
4. **MAP** local energy demand and evaluate local energy resources
5. **DETERMINE** relevant policy design considerations
6. **CARRY OUT** project pre-feasibility and viability
7. **DEVELOP** business plan
8. **ANALYSE** procurement options
9. **FACILITATE** finance
10. **SET** measurable, reportable and verifiable project indicators



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## Mapping & planning

- Local energy source: free cooling? Waste heat? Renewable? Geothermal?
- Demand: Industrial or space heat/cool? Reliability
- Short/medium/long term development plan

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## Tech-economy analysis

- Rapid assessment: narrow down potential zones, possible tech solutions, economic payback and environmental impacts
- Construction of technical solutions for high reliability and economic viable

Making correct decisions  
through urban planning is  
critical to integrate district  
cooling.

- Business model
- Guidelines and standards (Design, MRV etc.)
- Financial support mechanism (Bankable projects)

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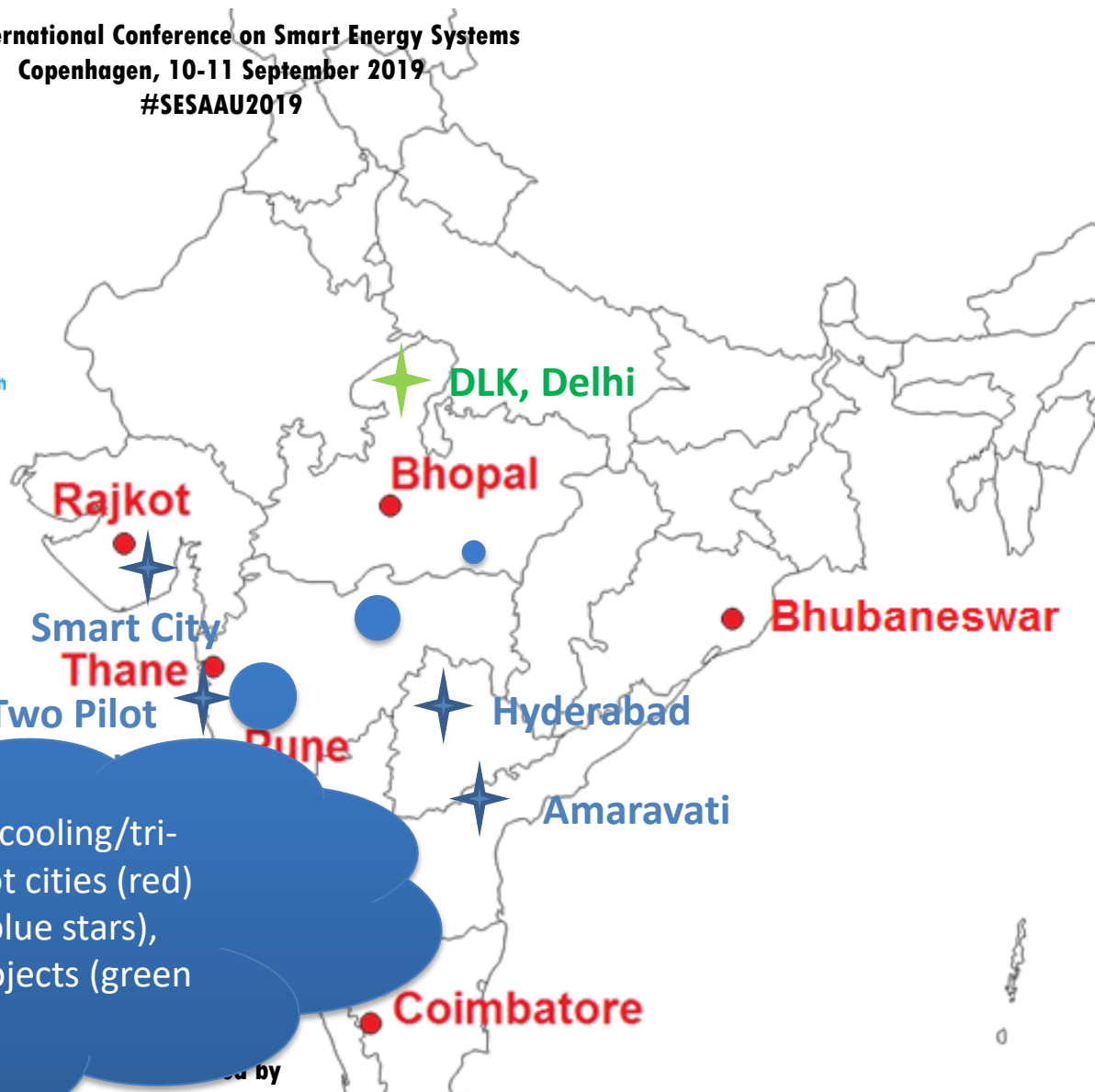


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Projects developed by:



Supports from partners:



We are developing district cooling/tri-generation projects in 5 pilot cities (red) as well as pilot projects (blue stars), and monitoring existing projects (green star)



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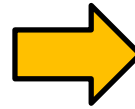


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National energy conservation target for 2030

Refrigerant phasing-out target



National Cooling Action Plan

National District Energy Potential Study

National Steering Committee: ministries and Energy Efficiency Service Ltd. (EESL)

Urban

We are working on getting support from central government, city municipalities to project level, from incentive policy to business models and/or financial support

Energy mapping & benchmark

Policy analysis

Rapid assessment tools for tech-eco

Training modules

City Steering Committee: UNEP, municipalities, EESL, other partners

Pre-/ feasibility study

Business model, technical / financial analysis

Funding opportunities

Call-for-tender, procurement plan

Design guidelines, standards, MRV & metering strategy

Knowledge transportation

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# What data we can get from urban planning?

Index/information in urban planning:

- Land use
- Land size
- Building density
- Building controlled height
- Distance retreating to property line
- Floor area ratio, FAR
- Greening landscaping ratio

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# What data we can get from urban planning?

- Infrastructures: roads, utilities (water/electricity/CCTV/heating/gas/cooling), transportation etc.
- Buildings: type, built-up-area (FAR), land scale
- Future development plans (short/medium/long-term)
- GIS and/or AutoCAD and/or Sketchup etc.



Fast decision making tool for DC  
tech-eco analysis

Urban planning data  
input moduler

Calculation Modulers

Technical analysis  
moduler

Finacial analysis  
moduler

Economic analysis  
moduler

Output

Building archetype

Design day hourly  
cooling profile

DC plant planning  
requirements

Eco benefits: GHG  
emission, refrigerant  
phasing out

Life cycle payment  
(DC vs. Standalone)

Annual energy and  
water consumption

D&M fees, cash flow

Payback year & IRR

Cooling demand

Investment

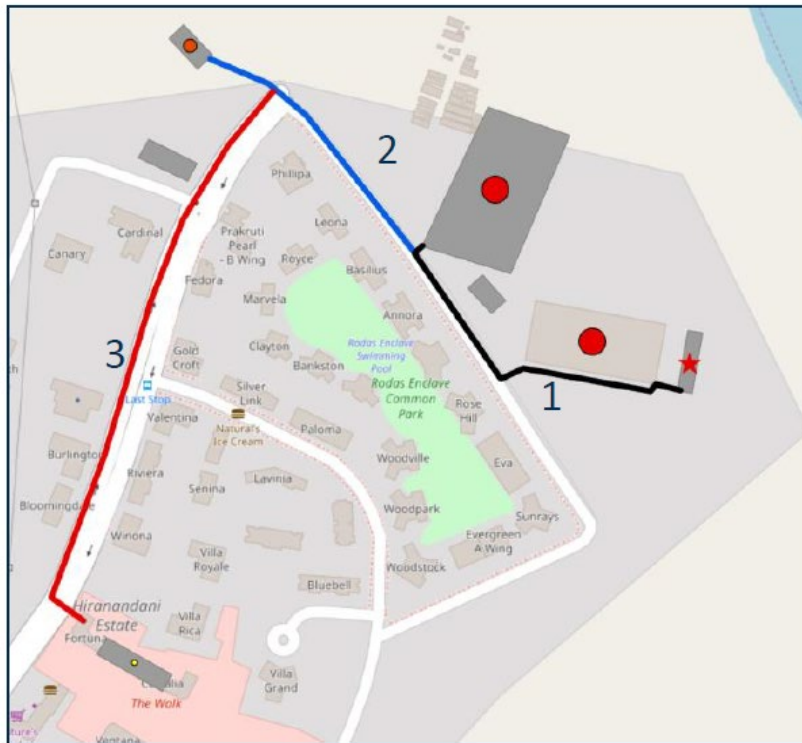
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Thermal Energy  
Storage

# Output of the tool: DC project details

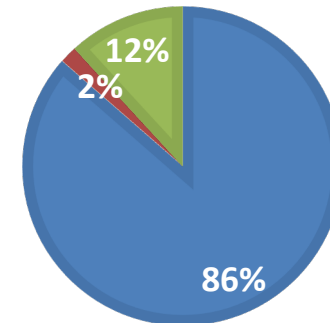
	Office	Shopping mall	Hospital	Sum
Area (sq m.)	280803	5646	38432	324881

Length of  
Route/Trench  
work: 1401.6m  
  
Total Linear  
Heat (cool)  
Density: 37.78



BUILDING DEVELOPMENT PLAN WITHIN 5  
YEARS IN HIRANANDANI ESTATE, THANE

■ Office ■ Shopping mall ■ Hospital



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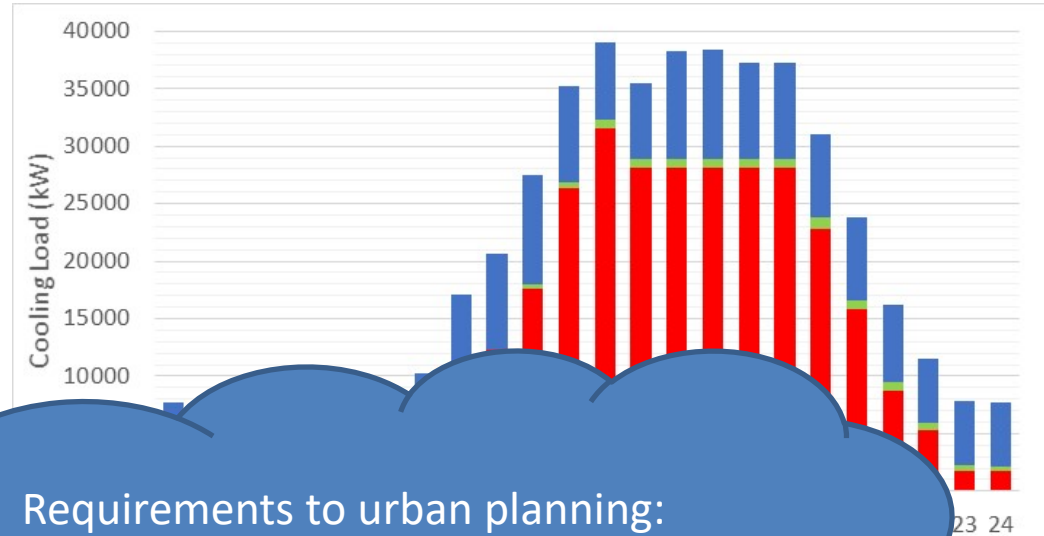
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# Output of the tool: DC project details

## Cooling load estimation

- For standalone systems, the total capacity of these buildings is 47167kW (13411TR)
- For district cooling systems, to the diversity, the total capacity estimate be 39020kW (11095TR)



DC plant built-up area (m2)	Outdoor space for cooling towers (m2)
3989	1277

DC plant land requirement (m2)
2500

	Hospital	Office	Residential	Commercial
Cooling load (W/sq m.)	125	165	100	100
Area (sq m.)	280803	5646	38432	324881
Standalone capacity (kW)	35114	929	11125	47167

Requirements to urban planning:  
land for DC plant, pipeline routine,  
connection to free cooling sources,  
possible impacts of noise from  
cooling towers, etc.



# Output of the tool: scenario comparison

Cooling system type	Primary Energy Efficiency	Peak load shifting factor-Electricity
Split AC, VRF/VRV	25%-30%	0
Conventional Central (water-cooled elec. chiller+ FC/AHU)	20%-30%	10%-15%
Conventional Central (air-cooled elec. chiller+ FC/AHU)	15%-30%	10%-15%
District cooling (all elec. chiller)	25%-30%	15%-25%
District cooling (free cooling+elec. chiller)	30%-60%	30%-50%
Tri generation (electricity, district heating, district cooling, domestic hot water)	60%-80%	30%-50%
Tri generation (30%TES)	55%-75%	40%-60%

\*Assumption: Grid electricity PEF=35%, cooling factor=0.15, heating factor=0.2, electricity=0.5, all equipment reaches A-level under Energy Star or ASHRAE/ASME



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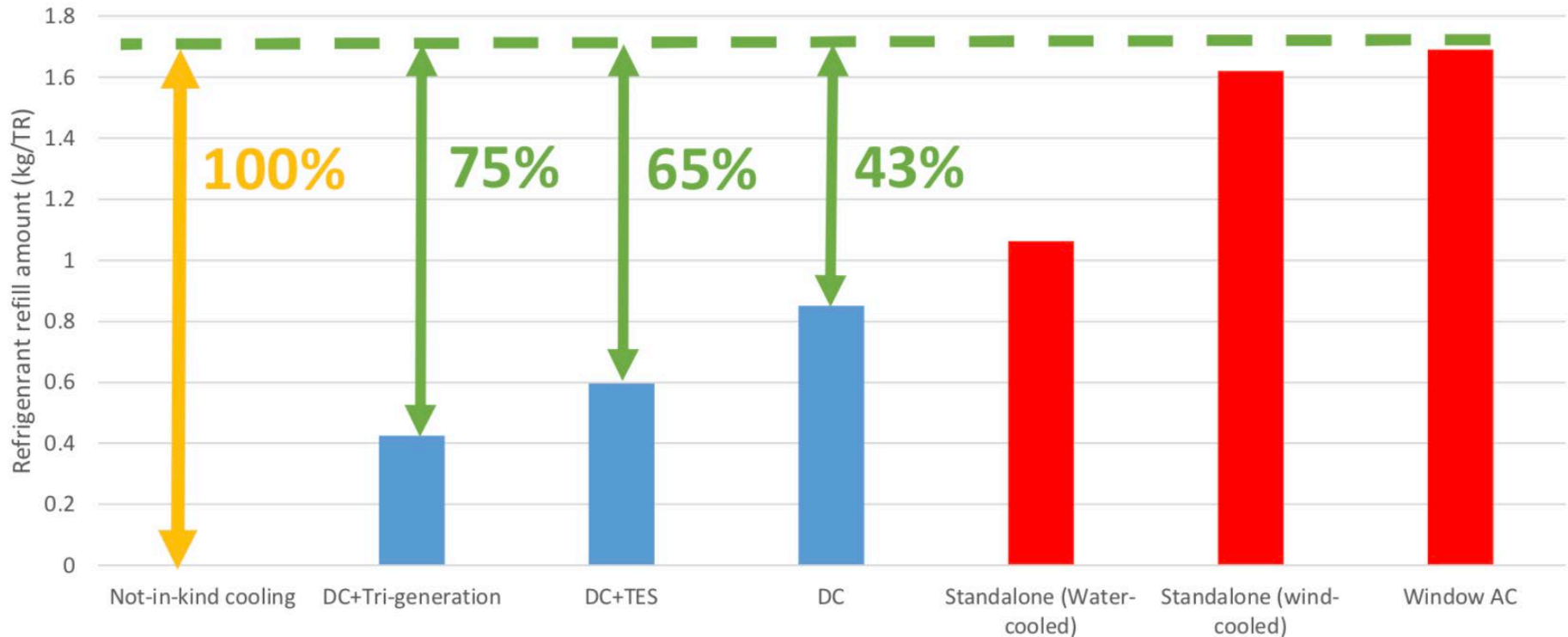


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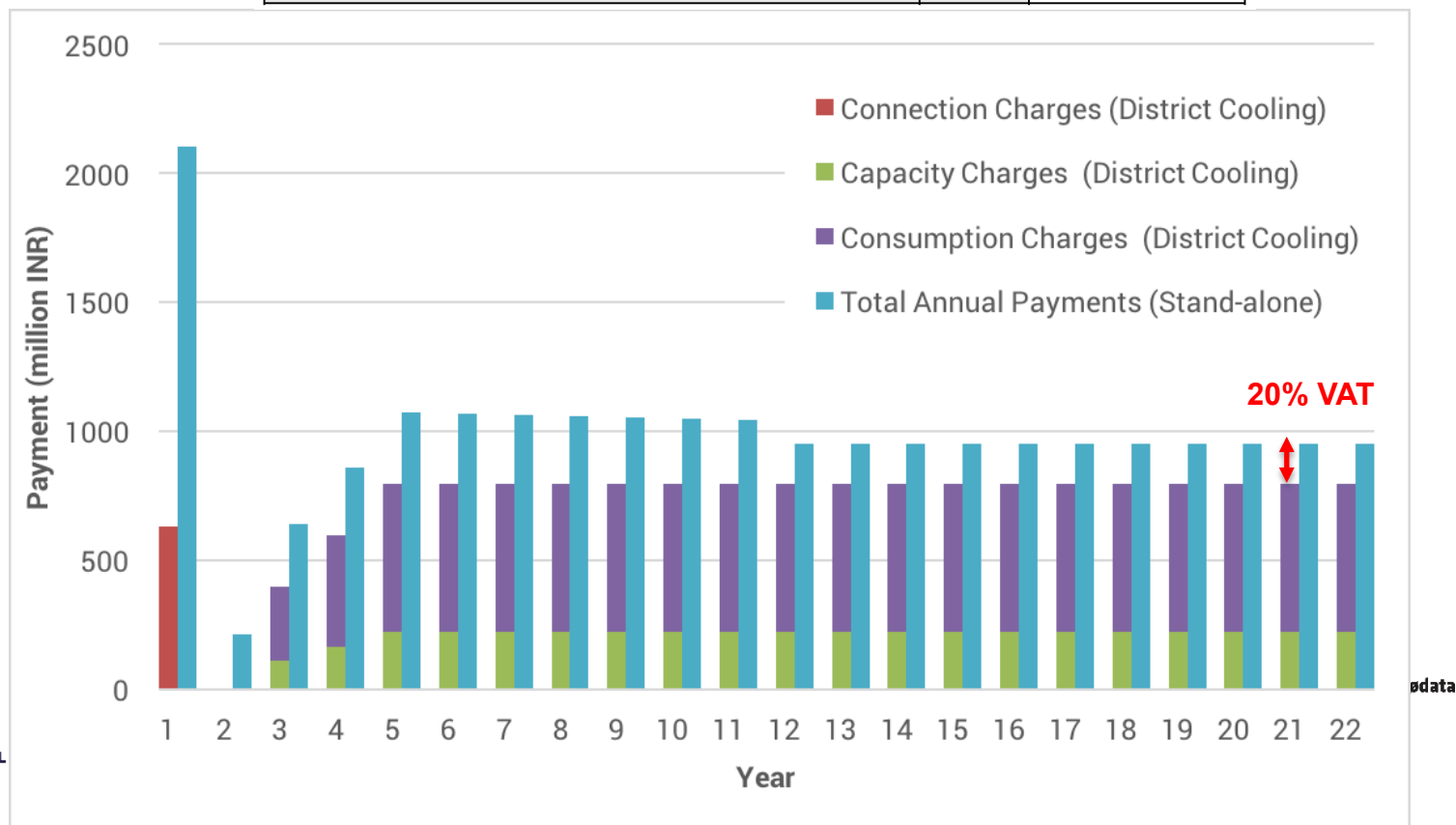
Life-cycle (15-year) Refrigerant Refill Amount



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# Output of the tool: economic analysis

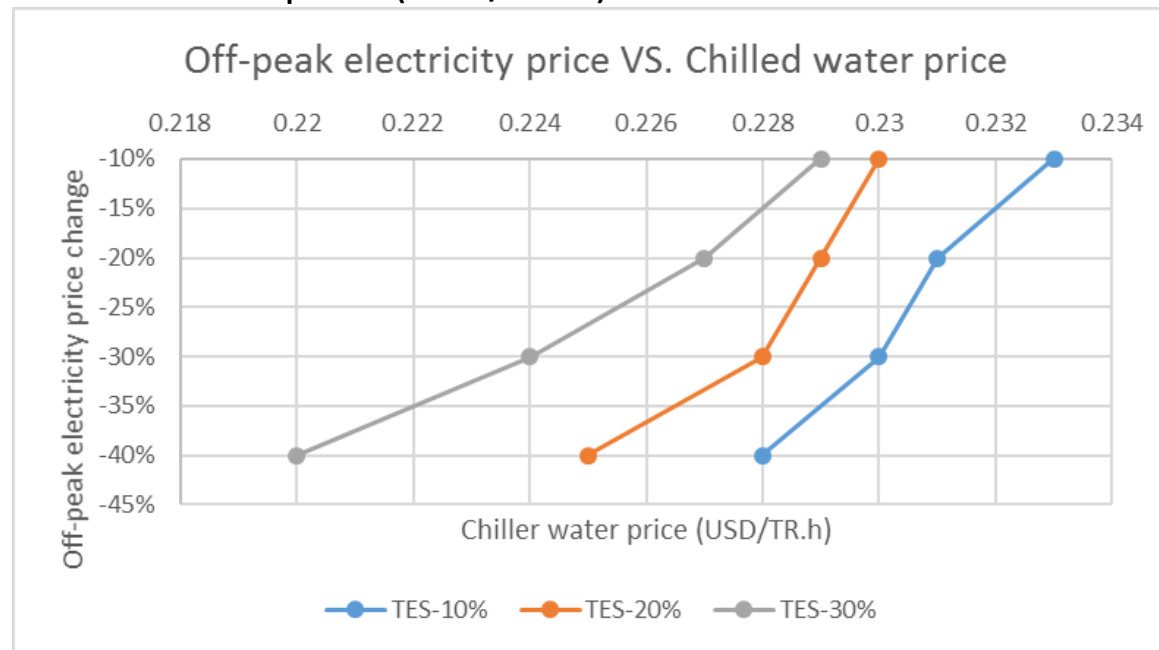
Annual cooling supply	kWh	52,971,387
Annual electricity consumption	kWh	15,061,526
Annual electricity fee	Rs.	175,333,729
	USD	2,630,006
Annual water consumption	m <sup>3</sup>	433,772
Annual water fee	Rs.	17,350,878
	USD	260,263



# Output of the tool: cost-effective analysis

Integration of cooling storage (ice/water) and/or free cooling, renewable:

- Under various off-peak electricity tariff (-10% to -45%)
- Under various storage percentage (10% to 30%)
- Impacts on chilled water price (USD/TR.h)

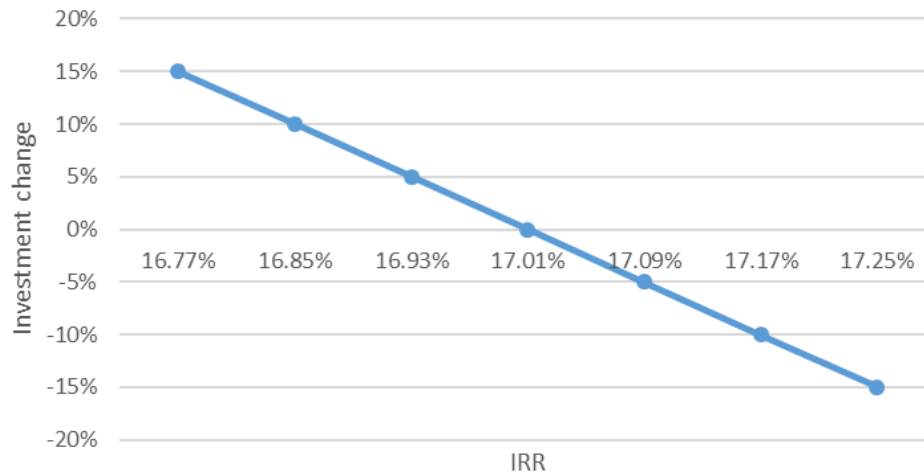


# Output of the tool: parametric analysis

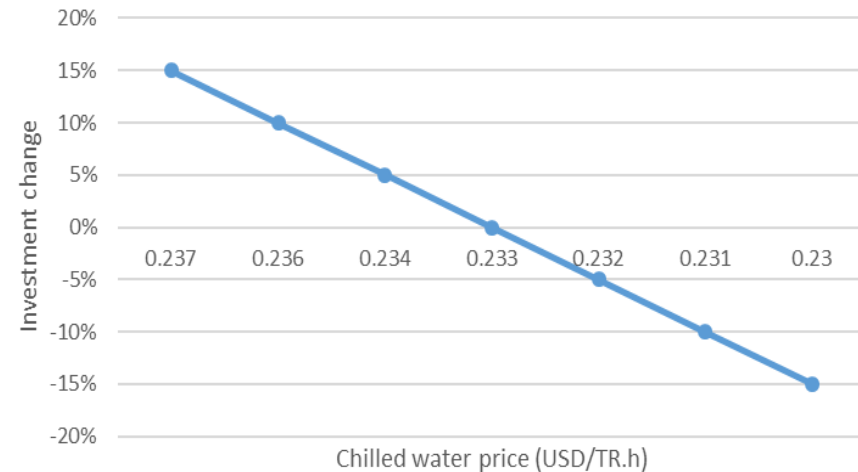
Major parameters to impact economic viability (IRR & chilled water price):

- Investment (15% to -15%)
- Cooling demand (15% to -15%)
- Electricity price/primary energy price (15% to -15%)

Investment VS. IRR

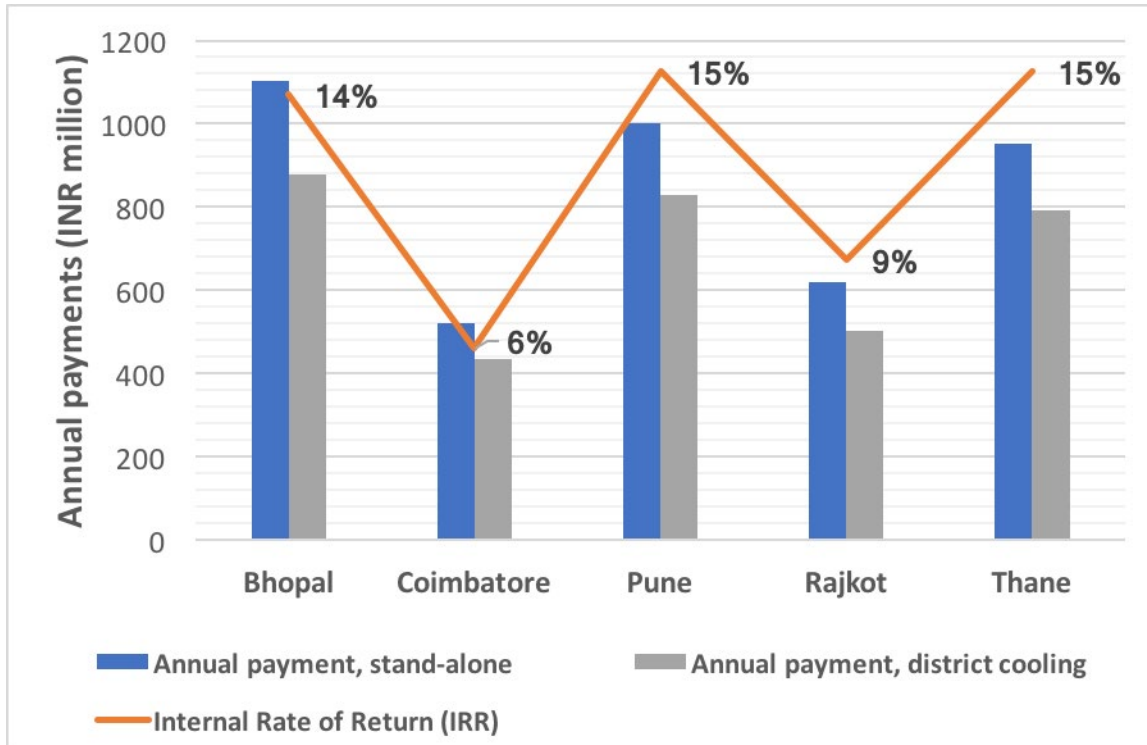


Investment VS. Chilled water price





# Output of the tool: economic analysis



## Drivers:

- Power prices
- Cooling load

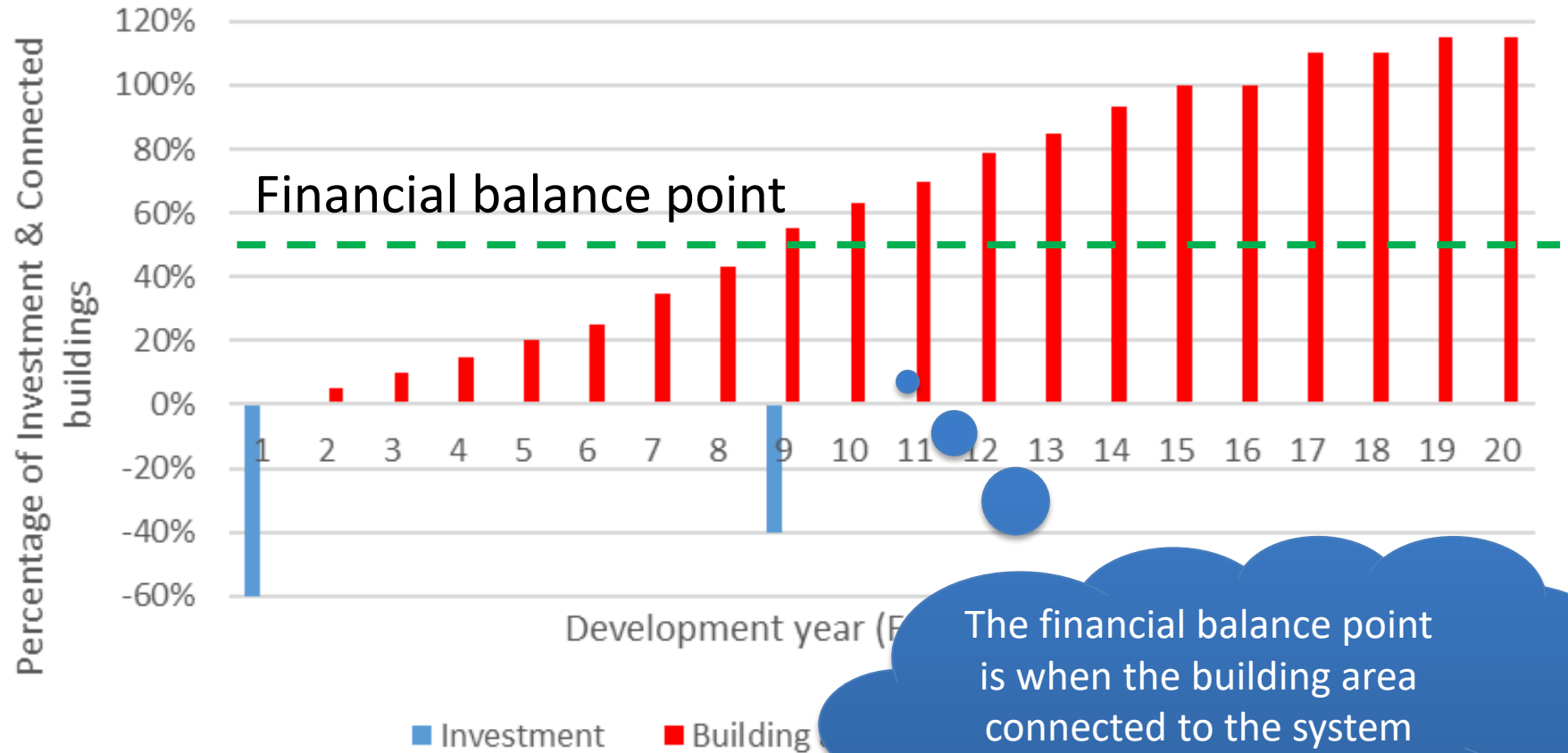
## Improving IRR:

- Lower power costs (e.g. solar provision)
- VAT pricing
- Project design

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# Output of the tool: financial support analysis

20-year consession of district cooling project



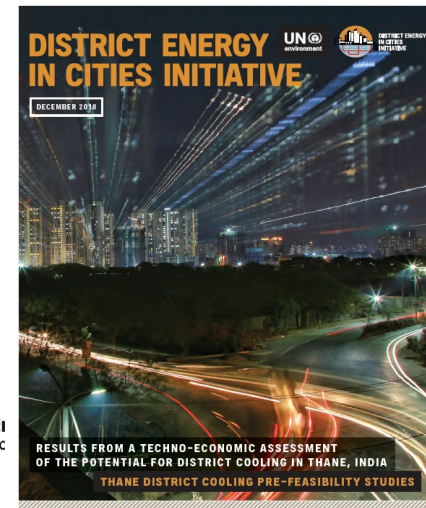
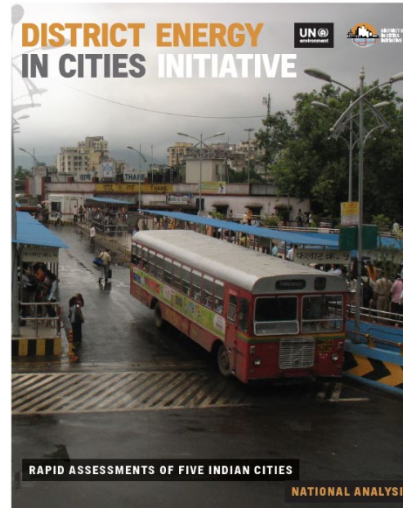
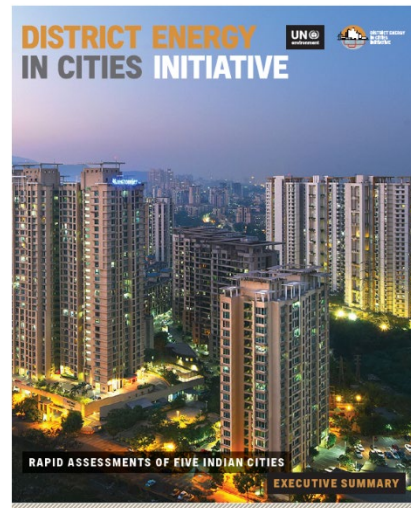
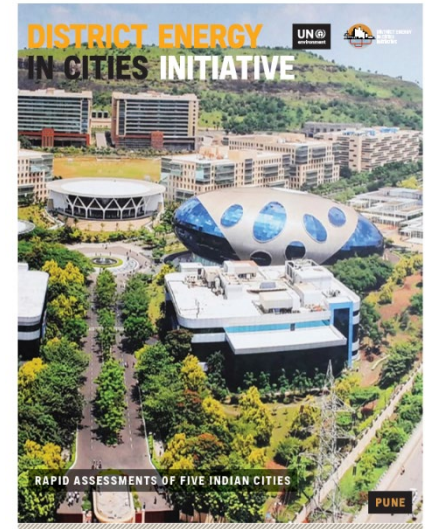
The financial balance point is when the building area connected to the system reaches 58% of the total planned area (at 9th year)





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