



# Flipkart acquires strategic minority stake in MapmyIndia

- Strategic partnership reinforces Flipkart's revolutionary capabilities and efficiencies in supply chain and ecommerce by leveraging MapmyIndia's map data and location technologies.
- Flipkart's investment helps strengthen MapmyIndia as an independent mapping company, continuing to serve all consumers and enterprise customers across all industries.

**Bengaluru, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015:** Flipkart, India's largest ecommerce marketplace, has acquired a strategic minority stake in MapmyIndia (CE Info Systems Pvt. Ltd.), India's leader in premium quality digital map data, GPS navigation, tracking, location-based apps and GIS solutions, the two companies announced today.

Flipkart's strategy to transform supply chain through technology is bolstered by this business partnership to license map data and location technologies from MapmyIndia. This will extend a new layer of capability to Flipkart's existing supply chain and logistics operations, making customer experience timely and hassle free.

With Flipkart's investment, MapmyIndia's early financial investors, Nexus Venture Partners and Lightbox Ventures, will exit the company. MapmyIndia will continue to independently serve all consumers and enterprises customers across all industries with its full range of products and solutions.

The objective of this partnership is to deploy Location intelligence capabilities across Flipkart's logistics network, enabling it to strengthen its first-mile pickup, and last mile delivery operations. In the future, several unique and industry-first services are likely to be introduced, e.g. better Address Verification, real-time Shipment Tracking, Facility Mapping and Theft Minimization via Geo-fencing among many others.

Speaking on the occasion, **Binny Bansal, COO and Co-founder, Flipkart**, said, "With this strategic investment, we are taking another concrete step toward transforming the supply chain ecosystem in India, making technology and information the driver of our supply chain and logistics solutions. The integration of comprehensive and accurate location data will allow us to deliver an even more personalized and delightful experience to our customers. This partnership is a strategic fit that gives us a sustainable competitive advantage. We maintain our position as the dominant player in the ecommerce space as we continue to invest heavily in scaling our technology and platforms, always ensuring that our customers get maximum value from their association with us."

Adding to this, Rakesh Verma, Managing Director and Co-founder, MapmyIndia, said, "MapmyIndia's mission is to make the world better through maps and location technologies. We have seen extremely strong demand for our map and location products and solutions from leading e-commerce players, all automotive OEMs and progressive government agencies, and we remain committed to helping all customers across industries benefit from our maps and location technologies. We are thrilled to





welcome India's largest ecommerce marketplace, Flipkart, as a strategic minority investor, and are excited by their vision for leveraging our maps and location technologies. We look forward to sharing our domain expertise with them and adding new and fresh dimensions to their logistics operations, together transforming ecommerce to benefit more than a billion Indians."

### **ABOUT FLIPKART**

Flipkart is India's leading e-commerce marketplace offering over 30 million products cross 70+ categories including Books, Media, Consumer Electronics and Lifestyle.

Flipkart is known for its path-breaking services like Cash on Delivery, and a 30-day replacement policy. Flipkart is the only online player offering services like In-a-Day Guarantee (50 cities) and Same-Day-Guarantee (13 cities) at scale. Its annual subscription service, Flipkart First, is the first of its kind in the country.

Launched in October 2007, Flipkart has become the preferred online marketplace for leading Indian and international brands.

Flipkart, currently 33,000 people strong, has 45 million registered users clocking over 10 million daily visits. Flipkart's technology has enabled it to deliver 8 million shipments per month – and this number is only growing.

# ABOUT MAPMYINDIA (http://www.mapmyindia.com)

MapmyIndia (CE Info Systems (P) Ltd.) is India's leader in premium quality map data and APIs, GPS navigation, tracking, location apps, and GIS solutions. MapmyIndia's mission is to make the world better through maps and location technologies.

A New Delhi-based ISO 9001-2012 company with 750+ people, founded in 1992, MapmyIndia pioneered digital mapping in India, and since 1995, through continuous field surveys and state-of-the-art mapping technology, has built its proprietary MapmyIndia Maps, the most comprehensive, accurate, reliable, full-featured and continuously updated digital map dataset for all India.

MapmyIndia builds and provides the most advanced maps of India, the best GPS-based IoT ("Internet of Things") devices optimised for in-vehicle and personal navigation and tracking, market-leading location-based SaaS ("Software as a Service") for enterprise and professional use, and popular and delightful hyper-local consumer mobile and web apps, including maps.mapmyIndia.com, India's very first interactive online mapping portal.

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