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I.T.	Information and Communication Technology
BPO	Business Processing Outsourcing Industry
NSB	National Science Board
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering and Medicine
Gov.	Government
NASSCOM	National Association of Software and Services Companies
IIMA	Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad
Fig	Figure
Img	Image
GGP	Gendered Geographies of Power
CTC	Cost of Company