

# Political model of the Freedom Team of India

## What are FTI's political goals?

The Freedom Team of India ([FTI](#)) is a **political body** (not a political party <sup>1</sup>) whose members are committed to contest and win elections to transform India into the richest, safest and most advanced country in the world. It is based on a time-tested philosophy of a strong but minimal state to **defend life and liberty**.

FTI is **not**

- a think tank, journal for policy dissemination, or training institution <sup>2</sup>
- a policy advisory group to any political party <sup>3</sup>
- a fund-raising organisation <sup>4</sup>

## Why does FTI require a minimum of 1500 <sup>5</sup> dynamic leaders before launching a political movement?

FTI believes that reforms of India's governance require a clear mandate from the people of India to change policy at the centre, followed by the states. This implies winning a minimum of 300 seats in the Lok Sabha. This can only be achieved by offering India a credible set of leaders who are fully aligned to the necessary reforms. FTI is therefore focused at this stage on a **leadership induction phase** under a common umbrella of the philosophy of liberty. This would be followed by these leaders launching a **mass political movement** that directly connects with the people.

## After joining FTI, what is the role of its members (leaders)?

The main task of FTI members upon joining FTI is to find more like-minded leaders and mentor them. In addition, FTI leaders are expected to:

- **Participate** in devising political strategies and policies to take to the people
- **Spread** FTI's message and expand awareness about FTI's strategy and goals
- **Write** for FTI's publications, on their blogs, and in the media about reforms
- **Expand** FTI's support base by enrolling Freedom Partners. ([FP](#))
- **Raise** resources to find more leaders, disseminate FTI's message, and develop their constituency.

## What is in this for leaders who join FTI?

FTI offers a **winning strategy** for its leaders and hence for India. By building a strong leadership team it is laying the foundation of a viable and enduring political alternative for India, and hence for a successful political career for those who join the Team.

1. FTI's winning strategy is based on robust processes for:
  - leadership identification and development to assure India about the high quality of its leaders <sup>6</sup>
  - effective, implementable strategy formulation, planning and communication.
2. By joining FTI, leaders can enhance their effectiveness and capacity to develop nation-building strategies
  - through personal interaction with other high quality leaders
  - from exchange of knowledge, including on policies
  - by working as a team to implement agreed plans.
3. FTI thus acts as a lab where leaders can test their ideas before putting them into practice, by receiving feedback from a pool of highly talented leaders.

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<sup>1</sup> FTI is registered as a not-for-profit trust in Indore. Its powers are outlined in its [Trust Deed](#). FTI leaders can form a separate political party, if necessary, to contest elections under one umbrella, in accordance with jointly agreed strategies and processes

<sup>2</sup> FTI conducts policy discussion as part of its role and publishes a magazine. It can also organise or coordinate training for its members.

<sup>3</sup> FTI can, as appropriate, undertake such functions for a selected party or parties that its member join or form.

<sup>4</sup> FTI can raise funds for political or charitable actions, as appropriate.

<sup>5</sup> Having at least 1500 leaders will assure coverage of all constituencies and contingencies, and will allow for immediate follow-up candidature in state elections.

<sup>6</sup> This includes a [Code of Conduct](#) and disciplinary process.