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# BRAZILIAN EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES (EPZ)

# **INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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Brazilian EPZ Regime- Concept & Incentives

### Concept

Industrial areas intended for exports (Export Revenue  $\geq$  80%) under customs control.

### **Tax Incentives**

Purchases of goods and services in the **Domestic Market**– Suspension:

- **IPI** (Tax on Manufactured Products)
- COFINS (Social Contribution on Income)
- **PIS/PASEP** (Social Contribution on Gross Revenue)

Purchases of goods and services in the **External Market** – Suspension:

- **II** (Import Tax)
- **AFRMM** (Additional Freight Charge for the Renovation of the Merchant Navy)
- IPI
- COFINS Import
- **PIS/PASEP** Import

Brazilian EPZ Regime – Incentives

### **Administrative Benefits**

Exemption of licenses or authorizations for import (raw materials and capital goods) and export operations

**Except:** sanitary, national security and environmental measures

### **Others Incentives**

Regional Tax Incentives (North & Northeast)

Reduction of The Corporate Income Tax (Limit = 75%)

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Added Tax (ICMS) Convênio CONFAZ-ICMS nº 99/1998

**State Value-**

Free Import of Used Capital Goods

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TI – R&D

### Long-term Legal Certainty

### Period Granted: 20 years

 $\rightarrow$  extendable for 20 years.

Brazilian EPZ Regime – Incentives



#### To continue in an EPZ, the company depends on the minimum export of 80% of its total gross sales revenue.

**Note:** Products sold to the domestic market will be subject to the payment of all taxes and contributions normally granted by the EPZ regime.

#### **Tax Suspension:**

 Acquisition of capital goods, raw materials, intermediate products and packaging materials.

Examples:

Capital goods	Raw materials	Intermediate products	Packaging materials



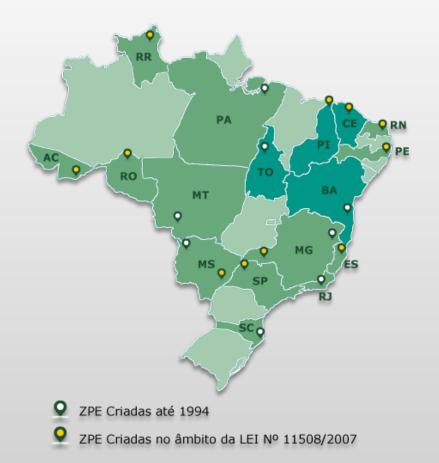
#### **Companies authorized to operate in EPZs:**

 subjected to the same legal and regulatory provisions applicable to all national companies.



EPZs – Brazilian Current Situation

### **Brazilian EPZs**



- 19 EPZs in effective deployment (17 STATES)
- EPZs are in different stages
- EPZs of Acre (AC) and Ceará (CE)
  → Bonded by Customs Authority
- EPZ of Parnaíba (PI): finishing its infrastructure works and customs procedures.
- EPZs with industrial projects approved:
  - Acre (4)
  - Piauí (4)
  - Ceará (4)

## PECEM EPZ (São Gonçalo do Amarante City/Ceará State)

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- Size (ha): 4.271,41
- Potentialities:
  - Steel mill
  - Leather & footwear
  - Textiles
  - Ceramics
  - Granite
  - Food processing (fish and fruit)

- Industrial Projects Approved:
  - Companhia Siderúrgica do Pecém (CSP): steel plates
  - Vale Pecém: ores
  - White Martins: industrial gases
  - Phoenix do Pecém: steelmaking waste



## PECÉM EPZ (São Gonçalo do Amarante City/Ceará State)





Multinational Companies



Global Production Chains





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### PECÉM STEEL COMPANY (CSP)

- **Investment:** US\$ 5,4 billion
- Annual Production (1st phase): 3 million tons of steel plate
- Direct empolyees (1st phase of plant operations): 2.800
- Joint venture: Vale (50%), Dongkuk (30%) e Posco (20%)
- Impacts on regional development (potential increase)

- **GDP of the state of Ceará:** 12%
- Ceará's Industrial GDP: 48%
- Ceará Exports: 50% (1st half 2017)



## PECÉM EPZ (São Gonçalo do Amarante City/Ceará State)

Awarded by fDi Magazine (Financial Times)

#### GLOBAL FREE ZONES OF THE YEAR 2016

- Categories:
  - Winner
    - Large tenants Latin America and Caribbean
- Bespoke awards:
  - Supporting education and training
  - Infrastructure upgrades
  - Expansions



## PECEM EPZ (São Gonçalo do Amarante City/Ceará State)

JETRO and CCIJB officials visit Pecém EPZ to identify business opportunities

- July 2017





### PARNAIBA EPZ (Parnaíba City/Piauí State)

- Size (ha): 348,80
- Potentialities:
  - Grains (soyabean)
  - Food processing (fruits, honey)
  - Pharmachemicals
  - Waxers and fibers
  - Fish

### Industrial Projects Approved:

- Agrocera: wax (carnaúba)
- Ecopellets: pellets (carnaúba)
- DK Frutas: foods processing
- KTAFarma: salts of pilocarpine



### PARNAIBA EPZ (Parnaíba City/Piauí State)





New Agricultural Frontier (MATOPIBA)



Regional companies with regular export operations





### PARNAIBA EPZ (Parnaíba City/Piauí State)











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