



Cold-Chain Network Optimization

For a Leading Indian Ice Cream Brand

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Top Indian Ice Cream Manufacturer

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Food & Beverage

SCALE
72k+ Retail
Outlets | 200+ Stores

LOCATION
India

Sector Focus: Temperature-sensitive logistics requiring cost efficiency, faster routing, and minimized spoilage.



Executive Summary

A leading ice cream manufacturer operated a large cold-chain network that lacked optimized supply point mapping. Translytics used its Network Optimization Engine to simulate multiple scenarios, reduce transport distances, and improve cold-chain efficiency while ensuring cost savings and higher product freshness.

₹35L+

Monthly Saved

60%

Distance Reduction

15-20%

Spoilage Losses

+25%

Mapping Accuracy



Challenge

The company struggled with:



High Transport Costs

- Misaligned consumption-to-supply mapping
- Long secondary distribution routes
- Rising fuel and freight expenses



Cold-Chain Inefficiencies

- Increased risk of product spoilage
- Delayed deliveries in peak seasons
- Low network responsiveness

Business Impact



High logistics costs reduced profitability



Limited scalability for seasonal demand



Spoilage affected brand reliability

Solution



Translytics Network Optimization Engine

AI-driven modeling to optimize cold-chain logistics and reduce operational costs.



Center-of-Gravity Simulation

- ✓ Modeled optimal supply point locations
- ✓ Reduced average route distance and costs



Transport Cost & Distance Analysis

- ✓ Identified high-cost routes
- ✓ Simulated greenfield and optimized scenarios



Supply Point Realignment

- ✓ Better plant-to-CFA-customer mapping
- ✓ Improved service levels and delivery speed

Impact & Results

Qualitative Improvements

- ✓ Higher cold-chain reliability
- ✓ Lower spoilage and product losses
- ✓ Faster replenishment to retail outlets
- ✓ More scalable network for seasonal peaks

Annual Impact Projection

₹4 Cr+
Saved Annually

60%
Route Distance Reduction

15-20%
Product Spoilage

+18%
Service Level Improvement

Technology & AI Implementation



AI & Machine Learning Components

- Cost-to-distance scenario modeling
- Route clustering algorithms
- CoG-based supply alignment
- Seasonal demand variation simulations



Integration & Platform Features

- ERP & route planning linkage
- Real-time distribution monitoring
- Dashboard for distance-cost metrics
- Automated network optimization reports

Future Enhancement Roadmap



Phase 2: Dynamic Seasonal Routing

Adjust network paths proactively to match peak seasonal demand variations.



Phase 3: Automated Load Consolidation

Maximize truck fill efficiency while maintaining precise temperature control.



Phase 4: CO₂ Impact Tracking

Optimize cold-chain operations for cost savings and reduced emissions.