This market research report explores India’s distributed control systems (DCS) market. It registered moderate growth in 2017, with many automation suppliers reporting a rise in their sales. Many of these companies have a focus on industries other than energy-related industries like power generation and oil and gas, which did not register significant growth in 2017.

The decline in DCS shipments in 2017 to several major user segments like oil & gas and power generation was offset by better performance in industries such as chemical and petrochemicals, mining & metals, refining, and cement & glass. Moreover, compliance to environmental regulations and need for better fuel quality will see rise in investment in refineries for modernization and capacity expansion projects.

Over the past several years, the DCS market has undergone changes that signal the end of the largely proprietary, monolithic DCS as it has traditionally been known in the market. The report further explores what this could mean for both users and suppliers of DCS in India.

Digitalization, cybersecurity, and disaster recovery solutions are gaining momentum in the market. This area is emerging as a major value proposition for end users. The report covers strategies for both users and suppliers.

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Well-planned strategies are invaluable for DCS suppliers to strengthen and expand their market foothold. Some key strategic questions answered in the study include:

- What technology and business trends are driving the DCS market?
- What is the impact of cloud computing, virtualization, and remote operations management on DCS?
- What type of capabilities are suppliers incorporating in the DCS solutions to support the Industrial Internet of Things?
- What steps are suppliers taking to address the cybersecurity threat?

This research is available as a comprehensive Market Outlook Study (PDF).