

INDIA FUND INC  
Form 497  
July 20, 2009

**THE INDIA FUND, INC.  
345 PARK AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10154**

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To Stockholders of The India Fund, Inc.:

The India Fund, Inc. (NYSE: IFN; the Fund ) is conducting a rights offering to holders of its common stock (the Offer ). Below is a brief description of the Offer. For further information, please refer to the attached Prospectus.

You will receive one right for each whole share of common stock that you hold of record as of July 20, 2009.

You need three rights to purchase one share at the subscription price described below.

The rights are non-transferable.

The Offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., Eastern daylight time, on **August 14, 2009**, unless extended.

The subscription price will be equal to 95% of the net asset value per share of the Fund's common stock at the close of business on the date on which the Offer expires.

**If you decide to participate in the Offer, please follow the procedures set forth on pages 23 - 25 of the attached Prospectus.**

For example, on July 10, 2009, the last reported sale price of a share of the Fund's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange was \$26.47, representing an 11.08% premium to the Fund's net asset value per share of \$23.83. Assuming the Offer expired at the close of business on July 10, 2009, the subscription price would have been \$22.64. In this example, the subscription price would have been a 14.47% discount to the share price of the Fund's common stock. **Although the Fund's shares have recently traded on the New York Stock Exchange at a premium to their net asset value, the Fund's shares have in the past and may in the future trade at a discount to net asset value.**

The Fund makes its weekly net asset value per share available by telephone toll-free at 1-866-800-8933 and on the Internet at [www.blackstone.com](http://www.blackstone.com). In an effort to provide more information to stockholders, the Fund's net asset value per share will be made available daily between August 10, 2009 and August 14, 2009. Because the subscription price will be less than the net asset value per share, the Offer will result in an immediate dilution of the net asset value per share of all stockholders, and stockholders who do not fully exercise their rights will own a smaller proportional interest in the Fund.

For further information regarding the Offer, please read the attached Prospectus or contact Georgeson Inc., the Fund's information agent, at 1-866-297-1264.

Sincerely,

Prakash Melwani,  
*Director and President*

**Investing in the Fund's common stock involves certain risks, including risks arising from investing in securities of Indian companies. An investor should consider the Fund's investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses carefully before investing. The Prospectus contains this and other information about the Fund. You should carefully read the attached Prospectus before participating in the Offer.**