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| Checklist for Purchasing Tiles in India for Residential Purposes |       |  |  |  |
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| Factors to Check   | Notes | Help   |  |  |
| Size and shape   |       | - Ensure tiles fit the space without excessive cutting.                |  |  |
| Material   |       | - Choose material based on durability,<br>maintenance, and aesthetics. |  |  |
| Color and pattern  |       | - Select colors and patterns that complement the overall design.       |  |  |
| Texture  |       | - Consider texture for both visual appeal and slip resistance.         |  |  |
| Quality  |       | - Check for flaws, cracks, or irregularities in the tiles.             |  |  |
| Price  |       | - Compare prices to stay within budget without compromising quality.   |  |  |
| Brand reputation   |       | - Opt for reputable brands known for quality and reliability.          |  |  |
| Durability   |       | - Choose tiles that can withstand expected wear and tear.              |  |  |
| Water resistance   |       | - Ensure tiles are suitable for wet areas like bathrooms.              |  |  |
| Slip resistance  |       | - Confirm tiles meet safety standards for slip resistance.             |  |  |
| Installation requirements  |       | - Consider ease of installation and any additional requirements.       |  |  |
| Warranty   |       | - Check warranty coverage for potential issues or defects.             |  |  |

| Table of Questions or Thoughts Before Purchasing Flooring Tile                         |                         |  |  |  |
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| Questions/Thoughts   | Write Your Answers Here | Help to take decision  |  |  |
| What is the purpose of the space?  |                         | - Determine if the space is for high traffic, wet areas, or aesthetics.                |  |  |
| What is the desired style?   |                         | - Decide on the desired look, whether modern, traditional, or rustic.                  |  |  |
| What is the budget for the project?  |                         | - Set a budget range for tile selection.   |  |  |
| What is the traffic level in the area?   |                         | - Assess the traffic level to choose durable or slip-resistant tiles.                  |  |  |
| Are there any specific<br>requirements like water<br>resistance or slip<br>resistance? |                         | - Identify any special needs such as water resistance or slip resistance.              |  |  |
| What size and shape of tiles are preferred?  |                         | - Choose the tile size and shape based on the room size and layout.                    |  |  |
| What material is preferred?  |                         | - Consider materials like ceramic, porcelain, or natural stone.                        |  |  |
| Are there any special installation considerations?                                     |                         | - Determine if any special conditions like underfloor heating are needed.              |  |  |
| Have samples been<br>viewed in different lighting<br>conditions?                       |                         | - View samples under various lighting to assess color and texture accurately.          |  |  |
| Is professional installation<br>required or is DIY an<br>option?                       |                         | - Decide on professional installation for complex patterns or DIY for simpler layouts. |  |  |

| Estimating Budget |                      |   |  |  |
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| Cost Item         | Estimated Cost (INR) | Help  |  |  |
|                   |                      |   |  |  |
| Tiles             |                      | - Estimate tile cost based on quantity and material.                                    |  |  |
|                   |                      |   |  |  |
| Adhesive          |                      | - Budget for adhesive required for tile installation.                                   |  |  |
| Crout             |                      | - Include grout expenses for sealing and  |  |  |
| Grout             |                      | finishing tile joints.  |  |  |
| Tools/Equipment   |                      | - Account for any tools or equipment needed for installation.                           |  |  |
|                   |                      |   |  |  |
| Labor             |                      | - Estimate labor costs if professional installation is chosen.                          |  |  |
| Underlayment      |                      | - Budget for underlayment materials for proper tile installation.                       |  |  |
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| Delivery          |                      | - Include delivery charges for transporting tiles to the site.                          |  |  |
|                   |                      |   |  |  |
| Miscellaneous     |                      | <ul> <li>Factor in any additional costs such as trim<br/>pieces or sealants.</li> </ul> |  |  |
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| Total             |                      | - Sum up all costs to get an overall budget estimate.                                   |  |  |

| Calculating Quantity                |                 |                   |  |  |  |
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| Details                             | Sample Quantity | Required Quantity | Help   |  |  |
|                                     |                 |                   |  |  |  |
| Room dimensions<br>(length x width) |                 |                   | - Measure room dimensions to calculate tile coverage area.   |  |  |
|                                     |                 |                   |  |  |  |
| Tile size                           |                 |                   | - Choose tile size to determine the number of tiles needed.  |  |  |
|                                     |                 |                   |  |  |  |
| Tile wastage (%)                    |                 |                   | - Account for tile wastage due to cutting and breakage.      |  |  |
|                                     |                 |                   |  |  |  |
| Total area                          |                 |                   | - Calculate total area to be tiled based on room dimensions. |  |  |
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| Total tiles needed                  |                 |                   |  |  |  |

| Understanding Mistakes to Avoid   |  |            |  |  |  |
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| Mistakes to Avoid   | Help   | Check Mark |  |  |  |
| Not considering the overall design aesthetic  | - Ensure tiles complement the overall design and style of the space.     |            |  |  |  |
| Ignoring the importance of tile quality   | - Quality tiles are essential for durability and long-term satisfaction. |            |  |  |  |
| Underestimating the required quantity   | - Proper quantity estimation prevents delays and additional expenses.    |            |  |  |  |
| Neglecting proper surface preparation before installation   | - Proper surface preparation ensures successful tile installation.       |            |  |  |  |
| Choosing tiles solely based on price without considering other factors  | - Consider factors like material and quality along with price.           |            |  |  |  |
| Not checking for compatibility with underfloor heating systems (if application of the system of the | Ensure tiles are suitable for underfloor heating if being installed.     |            |  |  |  |
| Skipping professional installation when necessary   | - Professional installation ensures proper placement and longevity.      |            |  |  |  |
| Not considering maintenance requirements  | - Factor in maintenance needs for long-term upkeep and satisfaction.     |            |  |  |  |
| Overlooking warranty details  | - Understand warranty coverage for potential issues or defects.          |            |  |  |  |