MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3864

TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017 / CHAITRA 3, 1939 (SAKA)

"FOREIGN INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS"

QUESTION

3864: SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of amount invested by Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) along with investments made in stock market under Participatory-Notes (P-Notes) during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to restrict the inflow of money via P-Notes into equity markets, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that black money does not get routed through P-Notes into Indian equity markets?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)

(a) Net Investment made by Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) [formerly known as Foreign Institutional Investors-FIIs] during last three calendar years and the current year is as below:

Year	Net Investments (INR		
	Cr.)		
2014	256,213		
2015	63,662		
2016	23,080		
2017	12,367 (upto Feb 2017)		

The notional value of outstanding Offshore Derivative Instruments (ODIs) [also known as Participatory Notes (PNs)] during the last three calendar years and the current year is at **Annexure**.

- (b) & (c): The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), vide SEBI (FPI) Regulations, has put in place several measures to prevent the misuse of ODIs route and to identify the beneficial owner of these instruments. Some of the measures are as below:
 - i. ODIs/ PNs can be issued only to those entities which are regulated by the appropriate regulatory authority in the countries of their incorporation, after compliance with "Know Your Client" (KYC) norms.
 - ii. FPIs have to fully disclose information concerning PNs/ODIs, as and when and in such form as SEBI may require.
- iii. ODI subscriber has to be a resident of a country whose securities market regulator is a signatory to International Organization of Securities Commission's Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding or a signatory to bilateral Memorandum of Understanding with SEBI.
- iv. ODI subscriber being a bank, has to be a resident of a country whose central bank is a member of Bank for International Settlements.
- v. ODI subscriber should not be a resident of a country identified in the public statement of Financial Action Task Force as a jurisdiction having a strategic Anti-Money Laundering or Combating the Financing of Terrorism deficiencies to which counter measures apply or has not made sufficient progress in addressing the deficiencies or has not committed to an action plan developed with the Financial Action Task Force to address the deficiencies.
- vi. ODI issuers are required to provide reports on monthly basis in a prescribed format containing information pertaining to their ODI activities in the preceding month by 10th of the subsequent month.
- vii. FPIs are prohibited from issuing PNs/ODIs to Resident Indians/Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and they are also required to give an undertaking to this effect.
- viii. SEBI vide circular CIR/IMD/FPI&C/59/2016 dated June 10, 2016 has streamlined the KYC process wherein FPIs are required to maintain the BO information of its ODI subscribers in line with the Rule 9 of PMLA, i.e. BO information is to be furnished in case the holding of natural person(s) is above specific thresholds. Further it has been clarified that NRI/PIO cannot be beneficial owner of an ODI subscriber.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (A) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3864 TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 24, 2017

Outstanding Notional Value of Offshore Derivative Instruments (ODIs)

As on the last day of the Month	Notional Value of outstanding ODIs on Equity, Debt and Derivatives (INR cr.)		
Jan-14	163,348		
Feb-14	172,738		
Mar-14	207,639		
Apr-14	187,486		
May-14	211,740		
Jun-14	224,248		
Jul-14	208,284		
Aug-14	211,499		
Sep-14	222,394		
Oct-14	265,675		
Nov-14	249,210		
Dec-14	236,677		
Jan-15	268,033		
Feb-15	271,752		
Mar-15	272,078		
Apr-15	268,168		
May-15	284,826		
Jun-15	275,436		
Jul-15	272,053		
Aug-15	253,310		
Sep-15	253,875		
Oct-15	258,287		
Nov-15	254,600		
Dec-15	235,534		
Jan-16	231,317		
Feb-16	217,740		
Mar-16	223,077		
Apr-16	212,132		
May-16	215,338		
Jun-16	210,731		
Jul-16	212,179		
Aug-16	216,232		
Sep-16	212,509		
Oct-16	199,987		
Nov-16	179,648		
Dec-16	157,306		
Jan-17	175,088		
Feb-17	170,191		