

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 305**

TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019 / ASHADHA 3, 1941 (SAKA)

Investment Policy

305: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of **FINANCE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to take new steps to improve investment policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the investment made in the country during the last five years;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any special steps for enhancing investment in economically backward areas especially in Bundelkhand; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF FINANCE
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)**

(a) to (e): The government is constantly taking various initiatives to boost investment in the economy, including economically backward area, which, inter-alia, include; measures to improve ease of doing business, comprehensive reforms in the Foreign Direct Investment policy, various facilitation measures under flagship programmes like Make-in-India, Start-up India, reduced corporate tax rate of 25 per cent for companies with turnover up to Rs. 250 crore, launch of a support and outreach program for helping the growth, expansion and facilitation of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises sector etc. Further, various steps relating to developing instruments and institutions to attract investment into infrastructure; mainstreaming Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs)/ Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs); periodic review of the Harmonized Master List of Infrastructure Sub-sectors, have also been taken. Activation of the National Investment & Infrastructure Fund (NIIF) has also led to greater availability of capital for investment in the infrastructure sector. A statement indicating details on FDI, FPI and Gross Capital Formation for the last five years is at **Annexure-I**.

For enhancing investment in the Bundelkhand region, action for setting-up of a Defence Industrial Corridor, as announced in Budget 2018, has been initiated. For this, six nodal points in the cities of Agra, Aligarh, Chitrakoot, Jhansi, Kanpur and Lucknow have been identified.

Statement referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 305 for 24.06.2019

Detail on FDI and FPI for the last five financial years:

Amount in USD Million

Period	FDI inflows	FPI inflows (net)
2014-15	29,737	40,923
2015-16	40,001	-3,516
2016-17	43,478	7,735
2017-18	44,857	22,165
2018-19	44,366	-3,587

*(-) negative sign denotes greater outflows than inflows

Gross Capital Formation (GCF)*

(in Rs. crores)

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
**GCF (current prices)	36,60,242	40,63,090	42,19,569	44,74,728	50,70,703
**GCF (2011-12 prices)	33,24,682	35,52,847	37,31,740	39,07,865	42,86,989

*Source Statement 1.1 & 1.2, Press Note on First Revised Estimates of National Income, Consumption Expenditure, Saving and Capital Formation for 2017-18 published on 31.01.2019.

**Excludes Valuables