

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 33.
TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 07TH DECEMBER, 2022.**

ATTRACTING FOREIGN INVESTMENT

**33. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:
SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:**

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री

- (a) whether any reformative efforts have been taken by the Government to attract investment by foreign companies and setting up trading units in India;
- (b) if so, the efforts made in this direction and the sectors in which said efforts have been made;
- (c) whether the Government is currently taking steps or proposes to take steps in this direction; and
- (d) if so, the details of possible measures for attracting foreign investment in the country?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सोम प्रकाश)

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(SHRI SOM PARKASH)**

- (a) & (b):** To promote Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), the Government has put in place an investor-friendly policy, wherein most sectors, except certain strategically important sectors, are open for 100% FDI under the automatic route. FDI Policy in India has been liberalized and simplified in the past few years. In order to make India a more attractive destination, in the recent past, reforms in the FDI Policy have been undertaken in sectors such as Defence, Insurance, Petroleum & Natural Gas and Telecom. Further in the trading sector, 100% FDI is permitted in Single Brand Product Retail Trading (SBRT) and 51% FDI is permitted in Multi Brand Retail Trading (MBRT).
- (c) & (d):** The Government reviews the FDI policy on an ongoing basis and makes changes from time to time, to ensure that India remains an attractive and investor friendly destination. The intent is to remove policy bottlenecks that

may be hindering investment inflows into the country. Changes are made in the policy after having intensive consultations with stakeholders including apex industry chambers, Associations, representatives of industries/groups and other organizations taking into consideration their views/comments.
