

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1289
TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, 2020/ MAGHA 21, 1941 (SAKA)

INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

QUESTION

1289. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that Initial Public Offering in the country has witnessed a five year low in 2018-19 which is also only 15 per cent of the public investment against 2017;
(b) if so, whether the Government plans to sell share of PSUs in a phased manner during 2020-21; and
(c) if so, the reasons behind this along with the details of the plan in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

- (a) As may be seen from the data furnished by the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Initial Public Offering (IPO) has not witnessed a five year low in 2018-19.

Financial Year	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	20 17-18	2018-19
No. of Companies	46	74	104	201	123
Amount raised (in Rs. Crores)	3039	14828	29035	83685	16087

The Gross fixed capital formation (in current prices) by public sector enterprises (both financial and non-financial) as reported by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation vide its press release dated 31 January 2020, stood at Rs. 5, 51,216 Crore and Rs. 6, 37,808 Crore in 2017-18 & 2018-19 respectively.

(b) & (c): Since 2017, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved IPO of 23 Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) out of which 13 have been listed. While 2 CPSEs were dropped from listing process, 8 CPSEs are at different stages of completion. In 2018, CCEA approved the Follow on Public Offer of KIOCL (Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited), which is yet to be listed. These 9 CPSEs shall be listed based on the market condition and investor's interest. Further, Union Budget 2020-21 has announced the intention to sell a part of its holding in Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) by way of IPO and to sell the balance holding of Government of India in IDBI Bank to private, retail and institutional investors through the stock exchange.
