

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

**Lok SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1659**

TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020/Phalguna 12, 1941 (Saka)

Investment Promotion

**1659: SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:
SHRIMATI SHARDABEN ANILBHAI PATEL:**

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government proposes to make extensive investment in the field of Agriculture especially in the area of irrigation;**
- (b) If so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of efforts made by the Government to promote foreign as well as domestic investment along with the success achieved so far as a result thereof; and**
- (d) the amount of foreign and domestic investment made separately in the country during the last three years?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (FINANCE)

(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): The Government has launched various policy and programmatic interventions in the field of Agriculture, including irrigation. A statement indicating details of such schemes/programmes is at Annexure-I.

(c)&(d): The government has taken various steps to promote foreign and domestic investments in the country which, inter-alia, include measures to improve ease of doing business, comprehensive reforms in the Foreign Direct Investment policy, introduction of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016, launch of GST and reduction of Corporate tax. The Government has put in place an investor-friendly policy framework which is transparent, predictable and easily comprehensible. The foreign investment regulatory regime has been liberalized significantly and currently, except for a small negative list, most sectors/activities are allowed to avail 100% foreign investment through the automatic route. As a result of the measures taken to improve the countries investment climate, India jumped to 63rd place in the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Ranking as per World Bank's Doing Business Report, 2020. A table indicating the foreign and domestic investments in the country during the last three years is at Annexure-II.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of LSUQ No. 1659

- 1. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)** has been started to provide a permanent solution from drought. Under it, Government is investing Rs 50,000 crore for a period of five years to develop complete irrigation supply chain, water resources, distribution network and farm-level application solutions to achieve the target of providing water for every farm.
- 2. PMKSY has been approved for implementation across the country with an outlay of Rs.50,000 crore during 2015-2016 to 2019-2020.** Further, during 2016-17, ninety-nine (99) on-going Major/Medium irrigation projects under PMKSY-AIBP having ultimate irrigation potential of 76.03 lakh hectare and balance estimated cost of Rs.77595 crore [Central Assistance (CA) component of Rs.31342 crore] have been prioritized in consultation with States for completion in phases up to December, 2019 along with their Command Area Development & Water Management (CADWM) works. Funding mechanism through NABARD has also been approved by the Government for both Central and State share.
- 3.** Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW) is implementing Per Drop More Crop component of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY-PDMC) which focuses on enhancing water use efficiency at farm level through Micro Irrigation technologies viz. Drip and Sprinkler Irrigation systems. An area of 42.15 lakh ha has been covered under Micro Irrigation through PMKSY-PDMC since 2015-16 till 1 February 2020. A revolving fund micro-irrigation fund with corpus to Rs. 5000 crores is being set up at NABARD. The funds will support top up subsidy to the State/UTs for utilization of funds towards MI & Innovative project under PMKSY.
- 4.** Union Budget 2020-21 has a focus on agriculture sector and announced 16 action points towards the goal of doubling farmers income.

(i) The FDI inflows for the past three years is as follows:

S. No.	Financial Year (April-March)	FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT INFLOWS (Amount in US\$ Billion)				
		Equity Inflows		Reinvested Earnings	Other capital	Total FDI
		FIPB	unincorporated bodies			
1	2016-17	43.48	1.23	12.34	3.17	60.22
1	2017-18 (P)	44.86	0.67	12.54	2.91	60.98
2	2018-19 (P)	44.37	0.69	13.67	3.27	62.00
3	2019-20 (P) upto November, 2019	26.10	0.33	6.53	1.94	34.90

(source: DPIIT)

(ii) Gross Capital Information

Table: Capital formation at current prices (Rs. Crore)			
	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	4335014	4896813	5569998
Gross Capital Formation	4741385	5526853	Not available

Source: National Statistical Office