

**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution**  
**Department of Consumer Affairs**

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2666**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2016**

**FDI IN RETAIL SECTOR**

2666. SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:  
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to reconsider/review its decision on allowing FDI in retail sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to check, control and monitor the sale of foodgrains, cereals, edible oils etc., by the multinational companies in the country; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of the small farmers and vendors as well as the small scale traders?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE**  
**CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**  
**(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)**

- (a) : No proposal is under consideration.
- (b) & (c) : There is no exclusive regulation to control and monitor retail trading including by the multinational and big corporate companies. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in retail has been allowed in a calibrated manner to protect the interest of domestic retailers specially small traders/shopkeepers. Provisions of the respective State's Agricultural Produce Market Committee Act provide necessary safe guard to the farmers including small and marginal ones.

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