

Annex - 1 (PART I, Section I, para 7(a))

Sector- specific policy for foreign investment

In the following sectors/activities, FDI up to the limit indicated below is allowed subject to other conditions as indicated. In Sectors/Activities not listed below, FDI is permitted up to 100 per cent on the automatic route subject to sectoral rules/ regulations applicable.

Sr. No.	Sector/Activity	FDI Cap / Equity	Entry Route	Other conditions
I	AGRICULTURE			
1.	Floriculture, Horticulture, Development and production of Seeds and planting material, Animal Husbandry, Pisciculture, Aquaculture, Cultivation of Vegetables & Mushrooms under controlled conditions and services related to agro and allied sectors.	100%	Automatic	
	NB: Besides the above, FDI is not allowed in any other agricultural sector /activity			
2.	Tea Sector, including tea plantation NB: Besides the above, FDI is not allowed in any other plantation sector /activity	100%	FIPB	Subject to divestment of 26% equity in favour of Indian partner/Indian public within 5 years and prior approval of State Government concerned in case of any change in future land use.
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	MINING			
3.	Mining covering exploration and mining of diamonds & precious stones; gold, silver and minerals.	100%	Automatic	Subject to Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 (www.mines.nic.in)
4.	Coal & Lignite mining for captive consumption by power projects, and iron & steel, cement production and other eligible activities permitted under the Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973.	100%	Automatic	Subject to provisions of Coal Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973. (www.coal.nic.in)
5.	Mining and mineral separation of titanium bearing minerals and ores, its value addition and integrated activities.	100%	FIPB	Subject to sectoral regulations and the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and the following conditions – i. value addition facilities are set up within India along with transfer of technology;
	NB: FDI will not be allowed in mining of "prescribed substances" listed in Government of India Notification No. S.O. 61(E) dated 18.1.2006 issued by the Department of Atomic Energy.			ii. disposal of tailings during the mineral separation shall be carried out in accordance with Regulations framed by the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board such as Atomic Energy (Radiation Protection) Rules, 2004 and the Atomic Energy (Safe Disposal of Radioactive Wastes) Rules, 1987.



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6.	Alcohol-	2		
б.	Distillation & Brewing	100%	Automatic	Subject to license by appropriate authority.
7.	Coffee & Rubber processing & warehousing	100%	Automatic	
8.	Defence production	26%	FIPB	Subject to licensing under Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 and guidelines on FDI in production of arms & ammunition.
9.	Hazardous chemicals, viz., hydrocyanic acid and its derivatives; phosgene and its derivatives; and isocyanates and diisocyantes of hydrocarbon.	100%	Automatic	Subject to industrial license under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 and other sectoral Regulations.
10.	Industrial explosives- Manufacture	100%	Automatic	Subject to industrial license under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 and Regulations under Explosives Act, 1898
11.	Drugs and Pharmaceuticals including those involving use of recombinant DNA technology	100%	Automatic	
	POWER			
12.	Power including generation (except Atomic energy); transmission, distribution and Power trading.	100%	Automatic	Subject to provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 (www.powermin.nic.in)
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	SERVICES			
	CIVIL AVIATION S	ECTOR		



13.	Airports-			
a.	Greenfield projects	100%	Automatic	Subject to sectoral Regulations notified by Ministry of Civil Aviation (www.civilaviation.nic. in)
b.	Existing projects	100%	FIPB beyond 74%	Subject to sectoral Regulations notified by Ministry of Civil Aviation (www.civilaviation.nic. in)
14.				eduled Passenger Airlines; Non- irlines; Helicopter and Seaplane
a.	Scheduled Air Transport Services/ Domestic Scheduled Passenger Airline	49%- FDI; 100%- for NRIs investment	Automatic	Subject to no direct or indirect participation by foreign airlines and Sectoral Regulations. (www.civilaviation.nic. in)
b.	Non-Scheduled Air Transport Service / Non- Scheduled airlines, Chartered airlines, and Cargo airlines	74%- FDI 100%- for NRIs investment	Automatic	Subject to no direct or indirect participation by foreign airlines in Non-Scheduled and Chartered airlines. Foreign airlines are allowed to participate in the equity of companies operating Cargo airlines. Also subject to sectoral Regulations. (www.civilaviation.nic. in)
C.	Helicopter Services / Seaplane services requiring DGCA approval	100%	Automatic	Foreign airlines are allowed to participate in the equity of companies operating Helicopter and seaplane airlines. Also subject to sectoral Regulations. (www.civilaviation.nic. in)
15.	Other services und	der Civil Aviatio	on Sector	
a.	Ground Handling Services	74%- FDI 100%- for NRIs investment	Automatic	Subject to sectoral Regulations and security clearance.
b.	Maintenance and Repair organizations; flying training institutes; and technical training institutions	100%	Automatic	
16.	Asset	49%	FIPB	Investment by FIIs are not



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	Companies	(only FDI)		ARC. However, FII registered with SEBI can invest in Security Receipts issued by ARCs registered with Reserve Bank of India. FIIs can invest upto 49% of each tranche of scheme of SRs subject to the condition that investment by a single FII in each tranche of SRs shall not exceed 10% of the issue. Where any individual investment exceeds 10% of the equity, provisions of Section 3(3) (f) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 should be complied with. Sub-accounts of FIIs are not allowed to invest in the Security Receipts of ARCs. (www.finmin.nic.in)
17. a)	Banking - Private sector	74% (FDI+FII) Within this limit, FII investment not to exceed 49%	Automatic	Subject to guidelines for setting up branches / subsidiaries of foreign banks issued by RBI. (<u>www.rbi.org.in</u>)
b)	Banking - Public sector	20% (FDI + FII)		FDI and PI in nationalized banks are subject to the overall statutory limits of 20% as provided under Section 3(2D) of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertaking) Acts, 1970/80. The same ceiling would also apply in respect of such investments in State Bank of India and its Associate banks.
18.	Broadcasting			
a.	FM Radio	FDI +FII investment up to 20%	FIPB	Subject to guidelines notified by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in</u>)
b.	Cable network	49% (FDI+FII)	FIPB	Subject to Cable Television Network Rules (1994), notified by



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				Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in)</u>
C.	Direct-To-Home	49% (FDI+FII). Within this limit, FDI component not to exceed 20%	FIPB	Subject to guidelines issued by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in)</u>
d.	Setting up hardware facilities such as up-linking, HUB, etc.	49% (FDI+FII)	FIPB	Subject to Up-linking Policy notified by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in</u>)
e.	Up-linking a News & Current Affairs TV Channel	26% (FDI+FII)	FIPB	Subject to guidelines issued by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in)</u>
f.	Up-linking a Non- news & Current Affairs TV Channel	100%	FIPB	Subject to guidelines issued by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. (<u>www.mib.nic.in</u>)
19.	Commodity Exchanges	49% (FDI+FII) FDI – 26% FII – 23%	FIPB	FII purchases shall be restricted to secondary market only. Subject to regulations specified by concerned Regulators.
20.	Development of townships, Housing, Built up infrastructure and Construction Development Projects (which would include but not be restricted to housing, commercial premises, hotels, resorts, hospitals, educational institutions,	100%	Automatic	 Subject to conditions vide para 5.23 of Consoildated FDI policy of Government of India including: a. Minimum capitalization of US\$ 10 million for wholly owned subsidiaries and US\$ 5 million for joint venture. The funds would have to be brought within six months of commencement of business of the Company. b. Minimum area to be developed under each project- 10 hectares in case of development of serviced housing plots; and built-up area of 50,000 sq. mts. in case of construction

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	recreational facilities, city and regional level infrastructure) NB: FDI is not allowed in Real Estate Business			development project; and any of the above in case of a combination project. c. Original Investment cannot be repatriated before a period of three years from the completion of the minimum capitalization. However, the investor may be permitted to exit earlier with prior approval of Government through the FIPB. d. At least 50% of the project must be developed within the period of five years from the date of obtaining all statutory clearances. The investor / investee company would not be permitted to sell undeveloped plots. For the purposed of these guidelines , " undeveloped plots" would mean where roads , water supply, street lighting, drainage, sewerage, and other conveniences , as applicable under the prescribed regulations , have not been made available. It will be necessary that the investor provides this infrastructure and obtains the completion certificate from the local body / service agency before he would be allowed to dispose of services housing plots. [Note : The above conditions are not applicable for 1: For investment in SEZs, Hotels & Hospitals.
21.	Courier services for carrying packages, parcels and other items which do not come within the ambit of the Indian Post	100%	FIPB	Subject to existing laws and exclusion of activity relating to distribution of letters, which is exclusively reserved for the State. (www.indiapost.gov.in)



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22.	Infrastructure companies in securities markets namely, Stock Exchanges, Depositories and Clearing Corporations	49% (FDI+FII) FDI – 26% FII – 23%	FIPB	FII purchases shall be restricted to secondary market. Subject to regulations specified by concerned Regulators.
23.	Credit Information Companies(CIC)	49% (FDI+FII) Within this limit, FII investment not to exceed 24%	FIPB (& regulatory clearance from RBI)	FII purchases shall be restricted to secondary market. Foreign Investment in CIC will be subject to Credit Information Companies (Regulation) Act, 2005. Subject to regulations specified by concerned Regulators.
24.	Industrial Parks both setting up and in established Industrial Parks	100%	Automatic	Conditions in para 5.23 of Consolidated FDI policy of Government of India applicable for construction development projects would not apply provided the Industrial Parks meet with the under-mentioned conditions- i. it would comprise of a minimum of 10 units and no single unit shall occupy more than 50% of the allocable area and ; ii. the minimum percentage of the area to be allocated for industrial activity shall not be less than 66% of the total allocable area.
25.	Insurance	26%	Automatic	Subject to licensing by the Insurance Regulatory & Development Authority (www.irda.nic.in)
26.	Investing companies in infrastructure / services sector (except telecom sector)	100%	FIPB	Where there is a prescribed cap for foreign investment, only the direct investment will be considered for the prescribed cap and foreign investment in an investing company will not be set off against this cap provided the foreign direct investment in such investing company does



1.8 20				not exceed 49% and the management of the investing company is with the Indian owners.
27.	Non-Banking Finar	ice Companie	es	-
i)	Merchant banking	100%	Automatic	Subject to: a. Minimum capitalization norms for fund based NBFCs -
ii)	Underwriting			US\$ 0.5 million to be brought upfront for FDI up to
iii)	Portfolio Management Services			51%; US\$ 5 million to be brought upfront for FDI above 51% and up to 75%; and US\$ 50 million out of which US\$ 7.5 million to be
i∨)	Investment Advisory Services			brought upfront and the balance in 24 months, for FDI beyond 75% and up to 100%.
V)	Financial Consultancy			b. Minimum capitalization norms for non-fund based NBFC activities- US\$ 0.5 million,
∨i)	Stock Broking			subject to the condition that such company would not be allowed to set up any
vii)	Management			subsidiary for any other activity nor it can participate
viii)	Venture Capital			in the equity of NBFC holding / operating company. Non- fund based activities would
ix) x)	Custodial Services Factoring			include Investment Advisory services , Financial consultancy, Forex Broking , Money changing Business
xi)	Credit Rating Agencies			and Credit Rating Agencies. c. Foreign investors can set up 100% operating subsidiaries without the condition to
xii)	Leasing & Finance			disinvest a minimum of 25% of its equity to Indian entities subject to bringing in US\$ 50
xiii)	Housing Finance			million without any restriction on number of operating subsidiaries without bringing additional capital
xiv)	Forex Broking			additional capital.

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xv)	*Credit card Business			d. Joint venture operating NBFCs that have 75% or less than 75% foreign
xvi)	Money			investment will also be
XVI)	changing			allowed to set up
	business			subsidiaries for undertaking
				other NBFC activities
xvii)	Micro credit			subject to the subsidiaries also complying with the
				applicable minimum capital
xviii)	Rural credit			inflow.
				e. Compliance with the guidelines of the RBI.
				d design of various payment products
				ard, value added cards, etc.
28.	Petroleum & Natu Refining			
a.	rteining	49% in case of	FIPB (in case of	Subject to Sectoral policy and no divestment or dilution of
		PSUs.	PSUs)	domestic equity in the existing
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		100% in	Automatic	(www.petroleum.nic.in)
		case of	(in case of private	
		Private	companies)	
	Other than	companies 100%	Automatic	Cubicat to contaral Degulations
b.	Refining and	10078	Automatic	Subject to sectoral Regulations issued by Ministry of Petroleum
	including market			& Natural Gas.
	study and			(www.petroleum.nic.in)
	formulation;			
	investment/			
	financing; setting up infrastructure			
	for marketing in			
	Petroleum &			
	Natural Gas			
	sector.			
29.	Print Media	2001		Subject to guidelines notified by
a.	Publishing of newspaper and	26%	FIPB	Subject to guidelines notified by Ministry of Information &
	periodicals			Broadcasting. (www.mib.nic.in)
	dealing with			
	news and			
	current affairs	40000		Subject to guidelines issued by
b.	Publishing of scientific	100%	FIPB	Ministry of Information &
	magazines/			Broadcasting. (www.mib.nic.in)
	specialty			
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	periodicals			
30.	Telecommunicatio	ons		
а.	Basic and cellular, Unified Access Services, National/ International Long Distance, V-Sat, Public Mobile Radio Trunked Services (PMRTS), Global Mobile Personal Communications Services (GMPCS) and other value added telecom services	74% (Including FDI, FII, NRI, FCCBs, ADRs, GDRs, convertible preference shares, and proportio- nate foreign equity in Indian promoters/ Investing Company)	Automatic up to 49%. FIPB beyond 49%.	Subject to guidelines vide para 5.38 of Consolidated FDI policy of Government of India.
b.	ISP with gateways, radio- paging, end-to-end bandwidth.	74%	Automatic up to 49%. FIPB beyond 49%.	Subject to licensing and security requirements notified by the Department of Telecommunications. (www.dotindia.com)
C.	 (a) ISP without gateway; (b) infrastructure provider providing dark fibre, right of way, duct space, tower (Category I); (c) electronic mail and voice mail. 	100%	Automatic up to 49%. FIPB beyond 49%.	Subject to the condition that such companies shall divest 26% of their equity in favour of Indian public in 5 years, if these companies are listed in other parts of the world. Also subject to licensing and security requirements, where required. (www.dotindia.com)
d.	Manufacture of telecom equipments	100%	Automatic	Subject to sectoral requirements. (www.dotindia.com)
31.	Trading			
a.	Wholesale/cash & carry trading	100%	Automatic	



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b.	Trading for Exports	100%	Automatic	
c.	Trading of items sourced from small scale sector	100%	FIPB	
d.	Test marketing of such items for which a company has approval for manufacture	100%	FIPB	Subject to the condition that the test marketing approval will be for a period of two years and investment in setting up manufacturing facilities commences simultaneously with test marketing.
e.	Single Brand Product retailing	51%	FIPB	Subject to para 5.39.3 of Consolidated FDI policy of Government of India
32.	Satellites - Establishment and operation	74%	FIPB	Subject to sectoral guidelines issued by Department of Space / ISRO. (www.isro.org)
33.	Special Economic Zones and Free Trade Warehousing Zones covering setting up of these Zones and setting up units in the Zones	100%	Automatic	Subject to Special Economic Zones Act, 2005 and the Foreign Trade Policy. (www.sezindia.nic.in)
34	Venture Capital Fund and Venture Capital Undertaking	-	Automatic	SEBI registered FVCI are allowed to invest in domestic venture capital undertakings and domestic venture capital funds through the automatic route subject to the SEBI regulations and sector specific caps on FDI.

Note : All the above sector / activities are governed by the respective Press Notes / Releases issued by the issued by the Government of India from time to time