



THE TABLE BELOW SUMMARISES FDI IN KEY INDIAN SECTORS:

SECTOR/INDUSTRY	FDI CAP	APPROVAL ROUTE
Advanced Engineering		
Automobile	100%	Automatic
Defence	49% +	Government up to 100% of local defence ventures after obtaining approval
Aviation		
Airports -Greenfield projects	100%	Automatic
Airports -Existing projects	100%	Automatic
Scheduled Air Transport Service/ Domestic Scheduled Passenger Airline	100%	Automatic
Non-Scheduled Air Transport Service	74% (100% for NRIs)	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Helicopter services/seaplane services requiring DGCA approval	100%	Automatic
Ground Handling Services subject to sectoral regulations and security clearance	74% (100% for NRIs)	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Maintenance and Repair organizations; flying training institutes; technical training institutions.	100%	Automatic



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Finance & Banking		
Banking- Private Sector	74% (FDI+FII/FPI)	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Banking- Public Sector subject to Banking Companies Acts 1970/80.	20% (FDI+FII/FPI)	Government
Asset Reconstruction Company	100% of paidup capital of ARC (FDI+FII/FPI)	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Commodity Exchange	49% (FDI+ FII/FPI)	Automatic
Credit Information Companies	74% (FDI+FII/ FPI)	Automatic
Infrastructure companies in Securities Markets, namely, stock exchanges, depositories and clearing corporations, in compliance with SEBI Regulations	49% (FDI + FII/FPI)	Automatic up to 26% Government beyond 26%
Non-Banking Finance Companies (selected activities)	100%	Automatic
Infrastructure		
Railway Infrastructure	100%	Automatic
Construction-development projects (development of townships,	100%	Automatic



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construction of residential /commercial premises, roads or bridges, hotels, resorts, hospitals, educational institutions, recreational facilities, city and regional level infrastructure, townships)		
Industrial Parks - new and existing	100%	Automatic
Satellites- establishment and operation, subject to the guidelines of Department of Space/ISRO	74%	Government
Telecom Services (including Telecom Infrastructure Providers Category-I)	100%	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Power Exchanges registered under the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Power Market) Regulations, 2010.	49% (FDI+FII/FPI)	Automatic
Retail		
Cash & Carry Wholesale Trading/Wholesale Trading (including sourcing from MSEs)	100%	Automatic
Business to Business (B2B) e-commerce	100%	Automatic
Single Brand product retail trading	100%	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
Multi Brand retail trading	51%	Government
Healthcare		
Pharmaceuticals – Greenfield	100%	Automatic



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Pharmaceuticals – Brownfield	100%	Automatic up to 74% Government beyond 74%
Manufacturing of medical devices	100%	Automatic
Hospitals Sector	100%	Automatic
Petroleum and Natural Gas		
Exploration activities , infrastructure related to marketing, petroleum product pipelines, natural gas/pipelines, LNG Regasification infrastructure, market study and formulation and Petroleum refining in the private sector, subject to the existing sectoral policy and regulatory framework	100%	Automatic
Petroleum refining by the Public Sector Undertakings (PSU), without any disinvestment or dilution of domestic equity in the existing PSUs	49%	Automatic
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Floriculture, Horticulture, Apiculture and Cultivation of Vegetables & Mushrooms under controlled conditions • Development and Production of seeds and planting material <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Husbandry (including breeding of dogs) • Pisciculture, Aquaculture • Services related to agro and allied sectors 	100%	Automatic
Tea sector including tea plantations	100%	Government
Mining and Exploration of metal and non-metal ores subject to the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957.	100%	Automatic
Coal & Lignite mining subject to the provisions of Coal Mines (Nationalization) Act, 1973.	100%	Automatic



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Media and Broadcasting		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teleports(setting up of up-linking HUBs /Teleports) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Direct to Home (DTH) • Cable Networks • Mobile TV • Headend-in-the Sky Broadcasting Service(HITS) 	100%	Automatic up to 49% Government beyond 49%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terrestrial Broadcasting FM (FM Radio) • Up-linking of 'News & Current Affairs' TV Channels 	26%	Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up-linking of Non-'News & Current Affairs' TV Channels/ Down-linking of TV Channels 	100%	Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishing of newspaper and periodicals dealing with news and current affairs • Publication of Indian editions of foreign magazines dealing with news and current affairs 	26%	Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publishing/printing of scientific and technical magazines/specialty journals/ periodicals, subject to guidelines by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting • Publication of facsimile edition of foreign newspapers 	100%	Government
Others		
Education	100%	Automatic
Courier services	100%	Automatic
Private Security Agencies	49%	Government



AUTOMATIC ROUTE

FDI is allowed under the automatic route without prior approval either of the Government or the Reserve Bank of India in all activities/sectors as specified in the consolidated FDI Policy, issued by the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT ROUTE

FDI in activities not covered under the automatic route requires prior approval of the Government. Such applications are considered by the Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB), which is part of the Department of Economic Affairs within the Ministry of Finance. Application can be made in Form FC-IL, which can be downloaded from <http://www.dipp.gov.in>. Plain paper applications carrying all relevant details are also accepted. No fee is payable. Indian companies receiving FDI, either under the Automatic route or the Government route, are required to comply with provisions of the FDI policy, including reporting the FDI to the Reserve Bank of India.

FDI in India is currently not permitted in the following sectors:

- Lottery Business including Government /private lottery, online lotteries, etc;
- Gambling and Betting including casinos etc.;
- Chit funds;
- Nidhi company (borrowing from members and lending to members only);
- Trading in Transferable Development Rights (TDRs);
- Real Estate Business or Construction of Farm Houses;
- Manufacturing of Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes, of tobacco or of tobacco substitutes;
- Activities / sectors not open to private sector investment e.g. Atomic Energy.
- Legal, accounting and architecture services
- B2C e-commerce