

# **“FDI AND ITS IMPACT IN INDIA”**

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## **Abstract**

A major factor in India's economic growth and development, foreign direct investment (FDI) is a game-changer. In this article, we take a look at how foreign direct investment (FDI) has affected different parts of India's economy and how it has affected things like job creation, technology transfer, and GDP growth. The paper explores the main factors that attract foreign direct investment (FDI) to India and the obstacles that stand in the way of this trend through an extensive analysis of previous research and empirical data.

**Keywords:** Foreign Direct Investment, India, economic growth, employment, technology transfer

## **INTRODUCITON**

When a company or individual based outside of the host country makes a long-term investment, it is considered foreign direct investment (FDI). A long-term investment usually involves making an initial investment and then continuing to invest in order to take advantage of the host country's advantages. These advantages might be better (and cheaper) resources, access to a consumer market, or talent that is unique to the host country - all of which lead to increased efficiency. The investor and the host country both gain from this kind of long-term partnership. The investor reaps financial rewards in the form of

higher returns than he would have gotten from investing domestically, while the host country reaps benefits in the form of increased technology transfer to its workforce, domestic industry improvement spurred by increased competition with the foreign entity, or even just a demonstration effect that encourages other companies to consider investing in the host country.

### **Different Forms of Foreign Direct Investment**

As per instructions

The government guarantees all risks connected with outward-bound foreign direct investment. Tax incentives and disincentives of several kinds affect this type of FDI. Foreign direct investments (FDIs), also called "direct investments abroad," face obstacles in the form of risk coverage for domestic industry and subsidies for local businesses.

#### **Direct Foreign Direct Investments**

Numerous economic variables attract foreign direct investments. Some examples of these measures are interest-only loans, tax rebates, subsidies, and the easing of regulations. Necessities of differential performance and restrictions associated with ownership patterns are factors that hinder the growth of FDIs.

"Horizontal FDI" refers to investments made by foreign companies in the same domestic industry. Investments in a vertical fashion

In the past In a vertical FDI arrangement, a foreign industry supplies raw materials to a domestic manufacturing facility.

Moving forward When a foreign company sells a domestic firm's products, this is called vertical foreign direct investment.

## DESCRIPTION BY PURPOSE

Greenfield investment: - Putting money into brand-new facilities or into enlarging current ones. Because they generate new employment opportunities, increase production capacity, facilitate the transfer of knowledge and technology, and potentially open doors to international trade, greenfield investments are the principal focus of host nations' marketing campaigns. Increased employment (typically at better pay than domestic enterprises), investments in R&D, and additional capital investments are some of the advantages that Greenfield investment (or sourcing) can bring to regional and national economies, according to the Organization for International Investment. One drawback of greenfield investments is that they can cause domestic competitors to lose ground in the market. Another argument against greenfield investments is the belief that the money made goes straight to the multinational's bottom line rather than the local economy. Opponents argue that this is in contrast to domestically based businesses, the earnings of which are believed to remain within the country.

### Acquisitions and Mergers

The most common form of foreign direct investment (FDI) is the sale of already-existing assets from domestic companies to these international ones. When companies based in different countries join to form a new company, this is called a cross-border merger. A cross-border acquisition happens when a foreign firm takes over a local company's assets and operations, and the local company becomes an affiliate of the foreign company. But foreign direct investment (FDI) through mergers and acquisitions is substantial; up until about 1997, it made up about 90% of all FDI into the US. Among multinationals' FDI strategies, mergers stand out.

From the viewpoint of the investing company, foreign direct investment (FDI) can also be classified according to the following criteria:

Investments that Search for Resources: These investments aim to acquire production elements that are more efficient than what the firm can get in its home economy. These assets could not even exist in the domestic market in some instances. For instance, traveling to other parts of the world in search of natural resources or low-cost labor in places like Southeast Asia and Eastern Europe. Expansion into new markets or preservation of current ones are the goals of market-seeking

investments. It is believed that corporations are more inclined to be driven towards this form of investment due to fear of losing a market than finding a new one, and this type of foreign direct investment (FDI) can also be used as a defensive strategy. Foreign direct investment (FDI) of this kind is best illustrated by the M&A activity of accounting, advertising, and law businesses in the 1980s.

## **IMPACT ON INDIA**

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) has played a crucial role in propelling India's economic progress. Investments across sectors have been accelerated by the influx of foreign capital, leading to significant economic expansion. Increases in GDP growth rates, productivity, and global competitiveness have all resulted from this. Foreign direct investment (FDI) has become an important factor in India's job market. Employment prospects have increased dramatically as a result of foreign direct investment (FDI) in both native firms and those controlled by foreign nationals. The result has been an improvement in many Indians' standard of living and a decrease in the unemployment rate.

**Innovation and Technology Transfer:** Foreign direct investment (FDI) has allowed India to receive cutting-edge technology, management know-how, and best practices. Innovation, technological developments, and the capacity of domestic industry have all been boosted by this. Because of this, Indian businesses are becoming more formidable rivals both at home and abroad. Foreign direct investment (FDI) has been crucial in helping India fix its infrastructure gap. Foreign investments in energy, transportation, and telecommunications have played a crucial role in developing state-of-the-art infrastructure networks. The result has been improved connection, a boost to economic activity, and the establishment of a foundation for long-term sustainability. Foreign direct investment (FDI) has been a boon to India's currency stability and balance of payments by bringing in much-needed foreign currency. The domestic currency has been stabilized and the need for external borrowing has been reduced as a result of this. In addition, the country is now better able to withstand shocks from outside and the uncertainty of the global financial markets.

Foreign direct investment (FDI) has been a driving force behind India's export-led economy. In order to facilitate exports, many foreign investors set up shop in India, establishing both manufacturing facilities

and service centers. Because of this, India's export sector has grown, the country's foreign exchange profits have risen, and its integration into global value chains has been strengthened.

To entice foreign direct investment (FDI), India has liberalized its economy and improved the business climate through sweeping policy reforms. Regulatory processes have been made more efficient, and investor trust has been strengthened, thanks to these improvements. Consequently, India has become a popular choice for international investors in search of sustainable prospects.

Impact on Society: Foreign direct investment (FDI) in India has had far-reaching social effects in addition to its obvious economic ones. Areas with significant foreign investment have seen a rise in living standards, an expansion of educational and healthcare opportunities, and a boost to skill development. All around the country, this has helped spur inclusive growth and social and economic development.

The complex effects of foreign direct investment (FDI) on India's economy, society, and development are highlighted by each of these factors. India can maintain its trajectory of sustainable development and progress by taking advantage of foreign direct investment (FDI) opportunities while tackling the problems that come with them.

## **LITERATURE REVIEW**

The expansion of emerging countries' economies, such as India's, has been greatly facilitated by foreign direct investment (FDI). A great deal of control over the operation is transferred when foreign organizations invest directly in Indian businesses. Foreign direct investment's (FDI) complex effects on India's economy are the focus of this overview.

There is strong evidence from a number of studies that foreign direct investment (FDI) boosts India's GDP growth. Domestic capital formation is stimulated and general economic expansion is fostered by this financial injection, which functions as a catalyst. The transfer of cutting-edge technology and expertise from Western enterprises to their Indian counterparts is another benefit of FDI. Innovation and higher-quality products are the results of this information spillover, which boosts India's technical capacities. Increased employment prospects for the Indian workforce are a direct result of foreign direct investment (FDI) in the form of new businesses and the growth of existing ones. Investments from outside can also be very helpful in improving India's infrastructure, especially in the areas of energy, transportation, and telecommunications. New and better infrastructure encourages more business investment. Foreign

companies' arrival in the Indian market increases competition, which in turn motivates local businesses to provide better products at lower prices without sacrificing efficiency or quality. This benefits consumers in the long run.

Nevertheless, it is critical to recognize the possible difficulties linked to FDI. Even if foreign direct investment (FDI) boosts employment overall, it also poses the risk of sector-specific skill obsolescence and subsequent job losses. Inadequate regulation of foreign direct investment (FDI) projects has the potential to cause environmental harm, and India's economy could become more susceptible to external shocks if it relies too much on FDI.

Additional investigation can explore these topics in greater detail. To maximize benefit, policymakers in India should examine the long-term effects of foreign direct investment (FDI) on certain industries. If we want foreign direct investment (FDI) to continue flowing in, we need to find out how well government policies are doing at luring and controlling it. One way to ensure that social harmony and economic development go hand in hand in India is to study the cultural and social effects of foreign direct investment (FDI).

The majority of the research points to FDI being beneficial to India's economy. It helps the economy expand, encourages new ideas, generates employment, and enhances physical facilities. Maximizing the advantages while limiting the dangers of foreign direct investment (FDI) requires an understanding of the obstacles that may arise and the adoption of appropriate regulations. India can achieve sustained economic development through the strategic use of foreign direct investment (FDI) provided it carefully navigates these factors.

## **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

### **Research Design**

#### **Statement of the problem:**

The economic state is affected by numerous things. Foreign direct investment (FDI) is one such. Therefore, research on the effects of FDI on economic transformation is necessary.

**Objectives of the research:**

- This research aims to accomplish the following In order to research FDI patterns and trends.
- In order to assess the effects of foreign direct investment on the commercial sector.

**Methodology and Data collection:**

**AIM:** Find out how foreign direct investment (FDI) relates to recent developments in India's economy.

SOURCE FIRST: Unrelated to this study

Because of its analytical character, the current study relies on secondary sources of information. Secondary data used in this analysis came from a variety of sources, including the World Investment Report, the Reserve Bank of India, the Centre for Monitoring the Indian Economy, and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Government of India. The pertinent data has been collected over the period 2007-2018, and it is a time series dataset.

**Scope of the study:**

The goal of the research is to learn how foreign direct investment (FDI) affects India's economy.

Understanding the disparity in FDI inflows and their causes

How FDI is affecting various sector of economy.

**Limitations of the study:**

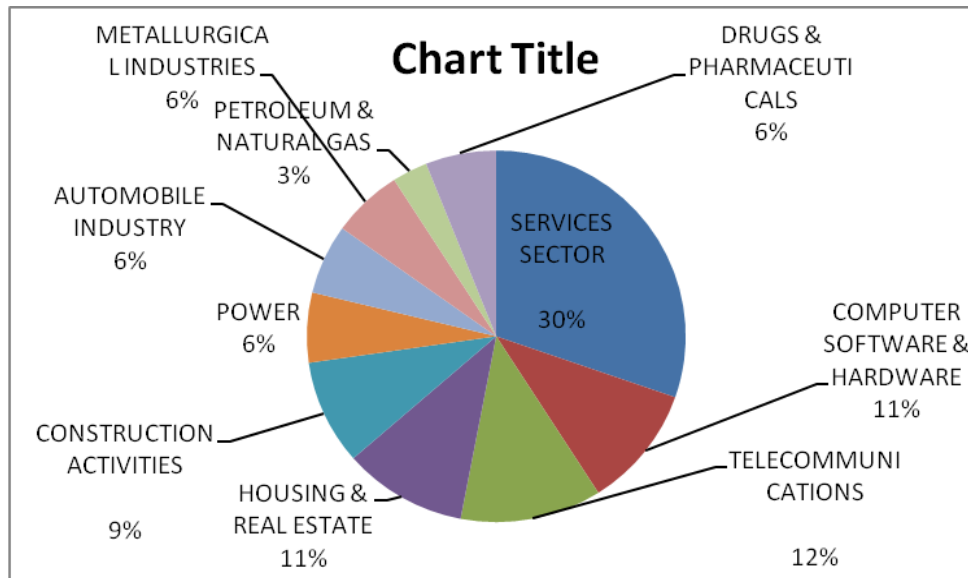
A number of factors, including foreign direct investment (FDI), foreign institutional investment (FII), monetary policy, and government regulations, influence economic growth. FDI statistics are dynamic.

Limited time available.Evaluating and Deciphering

A worldwide and group-by-group examination of FDI inflows

## DATA ANALYSIS

### Pie chart representing % of total FDI inflows in different sectors



The majority of foreign direct investment (FDI) into India has gone into the service sector, which includes industries like travel, information technology, and telecommunications. In terms of foreign direct investment (FDI), the computing hardware and software industries follow the service sector. The telecommunications, real estate, construction, electricity, automotive, etc. industries attract large amounts of foreign direct investment.

## FINDINGS

Approximately US\$1.5 trillion in FDI poured into the global economy in 2007, breaking the previous record. It was because foreign direct investment (FDI) in all three categories of economies—developed, developing, and South and East European—has been steadily rising. Foreign direct investment (FDI) fell in 2008 as a result of the US financial crisis, but it rebounded in 2010 to a total of \$1,244 billion, with developing economies accounting for more than half of that total. From 2004 onward, foreign direct investment (FDI) in India surges dramatically, with a 125% increase in 2006–2007. Investment inflows increased by 97% the next year, but foreign direct investment (FDI) fell



after 2008 as a result of the global financial crisis. Foreign direct investment (FDI) in the service sector fell by 25% in 2017 and 2018 as a result of the debt crisis in the US and Europe.

Major investors in India come from a wide variety of nations, including the US, UK, Mauritius, Singapore, Japan, Cyprus, Germany, France, and the UAE. Ten nations account for 83% of India's total FDI, while the remaining 17% comes from everywhere else. In terms of foreign direct investment (FDI) into India, Mauritius has consistently ranked first from 1991 to 2018. In 2018–19, FDI into India was 26634 US \$million, or 41% of overall FDI inflows. Because of its zero-taxation foreign direct investment (FDI) channel and its status as a capital gains tax haven, Mauritius attracts an abnormally large amount of investment from countries like India and Pakistan. This is because of the country's favorable tax climate, which allows international funds to bypass double taxation. For this reason, most countries use Mauritius as a conduit for investments into India.

## CONCLUSION

FDI fosters economic growth in today's interconnected world, particularly in India. Foreign direct investment provides a country with money, technology, and talent, allowing it to grow. The recent FDI rush into India has produced mixed consequences. These investments satisfied a significant financial demand by creating several jobs. Employment and disposable money drive up domestic consumption and growth. FDI disseminates knowledge and technology. Foreign companies have provided India with new management styles, efficient manufacturing methods, and innovative ideas. This exposure increases local innovation and global competitiveness. FDI promotes infrastructure development and economic growth. Upgrades to electrical, transportation, and communication infrastructure help to drive economic growth. Foreign direct investment is challenging in India. Overreliance on foreign capital may stifle indigenous investment and growth. Foreign company earnings may be repatriated, limiting Indian investment.

Automation and global competitiveness may replace manpower in a variety of industries. India needs a clear policy framework to address these concerns and increase FDI. Use this strategy to attract foreign investment into critical industries. Transparent and uniform regulation boosts investor confidence. To maximise foreign direct investment, India requires qualified individuals who can quickly adapt to new technology. India's economy can grow by fostering foreign direct investment, local capability, innovation, and self-sufficiency.

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