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Foreign direct investment in India's retail market: An analytical study

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Abstract
India is a rustic that has been capable of restore investor self assurance in its markets, even at some stage in the hardest of times. Increase in capital flows, foreign direct investments and foreign places entities' participation mirror the reality that Indian markets have fared properly in current times. Moreover, overseas agencies are viewing the South-Asian country as a strategic hub for his or her operations and investments because of investor-pleasant coverage environment, high quality surroundings and massive capacity for increase. Indian Incorporation's growing presence over the worldwide canvas and Indian Government's steady aid to the FDI area has facilitated excellent trends as India's power is in its records base. This article brings out an evaluation at the overseas direct investments year-wise overall inflows, region clever inflows, top 10 contributing nations to India's funding inflows and overall FDI outflows, to make an evaluation on increase rate, figuring out the most important setbacks and loopholes that permits overseas establishments to go into our country.

Keywords: Retail market, hardest of times, India is a rustic

Introductions
As per current regulatory regime retail trading is permitted in India. Simply put, for a company to be able to get foreign funding products sold by it to the general public should be of single as well as multi brand. India being a signatory to World Trade Organization general agreement on trade in services which include wholesale and retailing services had to open up the trade sector to foreign investment. There were initial reservation towards opening up of retail sector arising from fear of job losses, procurement from international market, competition and loss of entrepreneurial opportunities however the government in a series of moves have opened up the retail sector slowly to foreign direct investment ("FDI") in 1997, FDI in cash and carry with 100% ownership was allowed under the government approval route. It was brought under automatic route in 2006. 51% investment in multi brand retail outlet was permitted in 2006.
FDI in multi brand retailing is prohibited in India. Allowing FDI in multi brand retail can bring about supply chain improvement, investment in technology, manpower and skill development, tourism development, greater sourcing from India, up gradation in agriculture efficient, small and medium scale industry "with around 13% contribution to GDP and 7% employment of national workforce, retailing no doubt is a strong filler of Indian economy. What it requires is more cooperate backed retail operation that has started to emerge over past of couples of year. "In 2004, the high court of Delhi defined the term retail as a sale for final consumption in contrast to a sale for further sale or processing. A sale to the ultimate consumer. Thus, retailing can be said to be the interface between the producer and the individual consumer buying for personal consumption. This excludes direct interface between the manufacturer and institutional buyers such as the government and other bulk consumers. Retailing is the last link that connects the individual consumer with the manufacturing and distribution chain. A retailer is involved in the act of selling goods to the individual consumer at a margin of profit.
Retailing in India is one of the pillars of the pillars of its economy and accounts for 14 to 15% of its GDP. The Indian retail market is estimated to be US$ 450 billion and one of the top five retail markets in the world by economic value. India is one of the fastest growing retail markets in the world, 1.2 billion people. India's retailing industry is essentially owner manned small shops. In 2010, larger format convenience stores and supermarkets accounted for about 4% of the industry, and these were present only in large urban centers. India's retail and logistics industry employs about 40 million Indians (3.3% of Indian population).

Until 2011, Indian central government denied foreign direct investment in multiband retail, forbidding foreign groups from any ownership in supermarkets, convenience stores or any retail outlets. Even single-brand retail was limited to 51% ownership and a bureaucratic process In November 2011, India's central government announced retail reforms for both multi-brand stores and single-brand stores. These market reforms paved the way for retail innovation and competition with multi-brand retailers such as Walmart, Carrefour and Tesco, as well single brand majors such a IKEA. NIKE and Apple. The announcement sparked intense activism, both in opposition and in support of the reforms. In December 2011, under pressure from the opposition, Indian government placed the retail reforms on hold till it reaches a consensus.

In January 2012, India approved reforms for single-brand stores welcoming anyone in the world to innovate in Indian retail market with 100% ownership, but imposed the requirement that the single brand retail source 30% of its goods from India. Indian government continues thee hold on retail reforms for multi-brand stores. IKEA announced in January that it is putting on hold its plan to open stores in India of the 30% requirement. Fitch believes that the 30% requirement is likely to significantly delay if not prevent most single brand majors from Europe, USA and Japan from opening stores and creating associated jobs in India.

FDI Policy in India

FDI as defined in Dictionary of Economics is investment in a foreign country through the acquisition of a local company or the establishment there of an operation on a new (Greenfield) site. To put in simple words, FDI refers to capital inflows from abroad that is invested in or to enhance the production capacity of the economy.

Foreign investment in India is governed by the FDI policy announced by the government of India and the provision of the foreign exchange Management Act(FEMA) 1999. The Reserve Bank of India in this regard had issued a notification, which contains the foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or issue of security by a person resident outside India) Regulations, 2000. This Government of India is the nodal agency for motoring and reviewing the FDI policy on continued basis and changes in sectoral policy. The FDI policy is notified through press notes by the secretariat for Industrial Assistance, Department of Industrial policy and promotion. The foreign investors are free to invest in India, except few sectors, where prior approval from the RBI or FIPB would required.

Starting from a baseline of less than $1 billion in 1990, a recent UNCTAD survey projected India as the second most important FDI destination (after China) for transnational corporations during 2010–2012. As per the data, the sectors that attracted higher inflows were services, telecommunication, construction activities and computer software and hardware. Mauritius, Singapore, US and UK were among the leading sources of FDI. Based on UNCTAD data FDI flows were $10.4 billion, a drop of 43% from the first half of the last year.

Shalini Aggarwal, Ankush Singla and Ritu Aggarwal (Sep 2012), studied on the need of FDI in India, to exhibit the sector-wise & year-wise analysis of FDI's in India and to rank the sectors based upon highest FDI inflows. The results show that Mauritius is the country that has invested highly in India followed by Singapore, Japan, and USA. It has also showed that there has been a tremendous increase in FDI inflow in India during the year 2000 to 2011.

According to the article published on topic "FDI inflows decline by over 65% in April – June period" in Business today dated August 11, 2012, FDI inflows were $13.4 billion in April-June 2011-12 period and as per Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the FDI inflow in the country was $1.32 billion in June as against $5.73 billion in the same month last year. The data also revealed that the net FDI -- difference between FDI inflow and outflow -- plunged 58 per cent to USD 3.83 billion in the first three months of the fiscal. The net FDI inflow was USD 9.04 billion in the same period of 2011-12.

Ms. Parul Mittal; Mr. Sandeep Aggarwal (July 2012) made a general analysis of the inflows and outflows of FDI since the post liberalization era. The purpose of this paper was to provide an examination of foreign direct investment in various sectors. At the end of this examination, figures showed the trend of FDI inflows and FII in India and geographical distribution of FDI.

Partha Sinha (May, 2012), on Record FDI outflows Report stated to TOI that Domestic uncertainties like policy flip-flops, combined with global risk aversion, is prompting foreign companies to increasingly repatriate their investments, categorized as foreign direct investment (FDI), out of India during the last three years ended December 2011. "FDI into India has risen exponentially since the 2000s. However, over the last three years some of this money is being repatriated," Global deleveraging had forced companies to sell their Indian assets and repatriate funds to their home country.

According to Dr. Patil Usha. N (February 2012), there were varied viewpoints on the impact of FDI in the retail sector in India, According to one viewpoint, the US evidence is empirical proof to the fact that FDI in the retail sector does not lead to any collapse in the existing employment opportunities. The unorganized retail sector contributes about 14% to the GDP and absorbs about 7% of our labour force. Hence the issue of displacement of labour consequent to FDI is of primal importance.

Methods

The foreign direct investor may acquire voting power of an enterprise in an economy through any of the following methods:

- by incorporating a wholly owned subsidiary or company anywhere
- by acquiring shares in an associated enterprise
- through a merger or an acquisition of an unrelated enterprise
- participating in an equity joint venture with another investor or enterprise

Table 1: Information Data Related to FDI

Share of Organized sector in selected countries		Multi-Brand Retail FDI Policy in Other Countries	
Country	Share of Organized sector (%)	FDI limit	Country
U.S.A	85	100%	China
U.K	80	100%	Thailand
JAPAN	66	100%	Russia
RUSSIA	36	100%	Indonesia
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Table 2: India Foreign Direct Investment

Year	Inflows, US $	% of GDP
2019	$50.61B	1.76%
2018	$42.12B	1.56%
2017	$39.97B	1.51%
2016	$44.46B	1.94%
2015	$44.01B	2.09%
2014	$34.58B	1.70%
2013	$28.15B	1.52%
2012	$24.00B	1.31%
2011	$36.50B	2.00%
2010	$27.40B	1.64%

Fig 1: Foreign Direct Investment in India

FDI from Foreign Countries Area

- Telecommunications that includes services of cellular mobile, radio paging, and basic telephone
- Chemicals
- Metallurgical industries
- Food processing industries
- Pharmaceuticals and drugs
- Fuels
- Electrical equipment that includes electronics and computer software
- Services sector that includes financial and non-financial

Conclusion

The small and medium marketplace channels from Chinese & other countries invasion. The complete financial system could be benefited which includes authorities and those at massive with the reform process. Retailer Venturing the Indian marketplace ought to make certain that they have got taken into consideration the possibilities and the demanding situations to maximize the returns. Retailers will want to financial institution on nearby understanding added in with the aid of using their partners, employees, provider issuer to lessen the lead time required with the aid of using them to set up operations and get a organization region within side the Indian Market. Thus FDI will supply a fine effect at the retail enterprise and the United States with the aid of using attracting greater overseas funding. Otherwise we misplaced our Freedom in beyond whilst British East India Company changed into got here in. We strongly oppose the authorities permitting 100% I because it will truly have a terrible effect at the small shops with inside the marketplace. These massive groups with large funding potential will purchase items at lesser fees and by skip on massive reductions to clients, in which small nearby shops will now no longer be capable of stand towards the competition. By attracting clients and manufacturers, they'll create their personal monopoly with inside the marketplace, so that it will now no longer be top for the retail marketplace within side the lengthy run. We have already got massive department stores then why will we need overseas retail chains?

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