

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
LOK SABHA**

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FDI IN PRINT UNITS OF SEZs  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Government has taken a decision to invite the FDIs in the Print Units of Special Economic Zones;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN SINGH)

(a) to (c) : Government has decided to open the Print Media Sector for Foreign Direct Investment to the following extent :-

- (i) FDI up to 26% with prior Government approval for newspapers and magazines dealing with news and current affairs subject to, inter alia, 3/4th of Directors on the Board and all the key executives and editorial staff being resident Indians.
- (ii) FDI up to 74% with prior Government approval for publishing foreign technical, scientific and speciality magazines/periodicals/journals, including Indian editions.

No separate dispensation has been made for Foreign Direct Investment in Print units of Special Economic Zones.