

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

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FFIs INVESTMENT IN STOCK MARKET  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the foreign financial institutions have invested in the Indian Stock market;
- (b) if so, the maximum quantum of capital invested in the stock market during the period from April, 2004 to January, 2005; and
- (c) the maximum and minimum quantum of capital invested by the foreign financial institutions during the year 2003-2004 and during the first ten months of the year 2004-2005?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM):

- (a) The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has informed that as on 15 March, 2005, there are 675 Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs), registered with SEBI, which are permitted to invest in the Indian securities market.
- (b) During the period April, 2004 to January, 2005, the maximum amount of investment made by FIIs in equity and debt instruments was in December, 2004. During the month, net investments amounted to Rs. 10140 crores (US \$ 2229 million).
- (c) The maximum and minimum investments in both equity and debt instrument made by FIIs during the year 2003-04 and during the initial ten months of the year 2004-2005 are given below:

Monthly Investment  
2003-04    2004-05 (till Jan.05)

Month	Amount	Month	Amount			
In Rs.Crores	In US\$	In Rs.	In US\$			
Million	Crores	Million	Million			
Maximum	October,2003	6,723	1,466	December2004	10,140	2,229
Minimum	April,2003	993	208	May 2004	(3,546)	(806)

Figures in brackets indicate negative.