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With this thought, we hereby present to you

# **IMPACT OF FDI'S EMERGENCE OVER INDIA'S PREVAILING RETAIL SECTOR**

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## **ABSTRACT**

Indian retail trade is one of the emerging sectors with vast growth potential. According to the investment Commission of India the retail sector is anticipated to grow 3 times its current levels, however, in spite of the recent developments in retailing and its large contribution to the economy, retailing countries to be the smallest amount evolved industries and therefore the growth of organized retailing in India has been a lot of slower as compared to the rest of the world. Indian retail sector nowadays is valued at \$450 billion, and is increasing countries, here in India it forms solely regarding 6 percent whereas rest is all unorganized consisting of small retailers day by day because of its increasing social class population and their outlay power. Indian retail sector has 2 parts: organized and unorganized sector. Organized sector that forms around 20 -30 you interested by alternative referred to as as 'kirana shops', paan / beedi wala, convenience stores, department stores, pavement vendors etc. Organized retail consists of supermarkets, hypermarkets and modern retail outlet shops, malls, exclusive complete shops etc that area unit set in urban areas or metros. The findings of the study illustrate that FDI in retail would beyond any doubt modify India to integrate its economy with world economy. The Indian retail business is very fragmented and is nearly traditionally families In India, lot of department stores, supermarkets and high organized malls area unit rising into this retail sector. India is presently the three rd largest rising markets within the retail phase. The recent changes brought within the retail sector by the government has created the retail sector to own sizable amount of outlets for India.

**KEYWORDS:** FDI, POLICY, FRAMEWORK, INDIA, MULTI-BRAND



## **INTRODUCTION:**

Retailing is that the last link within the method of offer Chain Management. Retail merchant is that the one that is in direct contact with the purchasers because of this it gains its importance for the manufacturer. The word 'retail' comes from the French word 'retailer', which implies 'to cut a chunk of' or 'to break bulk'.<sup>[3]</sup> The retail merchant not like distributor failed to get product for additional merchandising however to provide them to the tip customers. variety of activities are performed by retailers by assorting, sorting, merchandising, storing, providing credit facility, packing etc. The world is facing massive transformation from mom & pop stores, native kiriyana store to massive malls and hypermarkets. The consumer is exigent product as never before. They possess smart knowledge regarding rating ways, quality of the merchandise and its usage. The consumer is currently attracted towards massive glitzy malls, eye catching interiors, one stop searching expertise. The concept of e-retailing has resulted in one bit searching real for consumer. The purchasers are now exigent product from an area that is convenient to them. Therefore, it's turning into difficult for retailers to search out loyal customers for themselves. The purchasers are attracted towards those stores that tend to supply smart quality product at enticing costs with convenience facility, in a beautiful manner.

In the year 2012, the government of India declared relief of entry of multi-brand international corporations (MNCs) with 51 equity stake into the retail sector. However, many state governments declared that they'd not enable retail MNCs into their states.<sup>[4]</sup> This is because of several opposition from many interest teams representing wholesalers and unorganized retailers on the grounds that entry of foreign players destroys little businesses and employment, which foreign players build monopoly profits at the price of customers and suppliers is a bundle of opportunities but does not come without flaws. Although there are tonnes of benefits attached but have a cost too. Let us discuss the various thorns Foreign Direct Investments comes up with: Limitation of Foreign Direct Investments

## **AIM OF THE STUDY:**

1. To analyse the policy framework of retail sector in india.
2. To explore the legality of single brand product under FDI in India.
3. To know about the SWOT analysis of FDI policy.
4. To study about the merits and demerits of FDI in retail sector in India.



## **HYPOTHESIS:**

**HO:** FDI in retail sector is not helpful in the GDP growth of India.

**Ha:** FDI in retail sector is helpful in the GDP growth of India.

## **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

The researcher more on relied on the secondary source of data such as books, journals, e-sources, articles and newspaper. Due to the shortage of the time, the researcher in which primary source of the data such as interview and field research is not more adequacy in result of data collection and interpretation in which parameters so described.

## **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

The present research is conclusive, descriptive and based on non-empirical design. Qualitative data was generated to test the research hypothesis. In order to collect data on the dimensions of the study, a research instrument was designed. The study was conducted on secondary source of data books, articles, journals, e-sources, theories and the relevant provision with decided case laws. Focusing on these three areas put forward specific research problems.

## **REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

1. **TOPIC:** problems and prospects of FDI in Indian retail sector

**AUTHOR:** S pattu meenakshi

**JOURNAL:** International journal of humanities and social sciences invention

**CONTENT:** adverse impact on the employment, threat on organised retail players, huge spread of retail chain stores, predatory practices of the multinational retail chains. Monopoly in the customer market and creation of cartels by the global players.

2. **BOOK:** India's store wars: retail revolution and the battle of the next million shoppers

**AUTHOR:** Geoff hiscocks

**PUBLICATION:** Wiley

**CONTENT:** The view has prevailed, though in early 2006 the government relaxed the rules a little allowing FDI of upto 51 % in single brand retailing. Full 100% foreign investments in allowed in wholesale is allowed in wholesale cash and carry but FDI in multi brand retailing remains off limits.

3. **BOOK:** The oxford handbook of Indian foreign policy

**AUTHOR:** David M.Malone

**PUBLICATION:** oup oxford

**CONTENT:** The best example of this are the private sector's opposition to the liberalization of the patent regime in the pharmaceutical sector, the promulgation of press note and opposition to the entry of foreign investors in the multi brand retail sector.

4. **TOPIC:** FDI and Indian retail sector: an analysis

**AUTHOR:** Dr. Namita

**JOURNAL:** journal of business administration research

**CONTENT:** There are many studies which have identified technology, labour skills and infrastructures as the major determinants of foreign investment. These factors are very important to explain the patterns and trends in the geographical structure of FDI at the world capital income in relation to outbound as well as inbound FDI.

5. **TOPIC:** FDI in multi brand retailing opportunities and threats for rural India

**AUTHOR:** Brajaballal pal

**JOURNAL:** Innovative journal of business and management

**CONTENT:** Foreign direct investment under the industrial policy 1991 and thereafter under different foreign trade policies is being allowed in different proportion under either the government route or automatic route.

## **FDI POLICY UNDER INDIAN RETAIL SECTOR**

India had to open retail sector being a person to World Trade Organisation's General Agreement on Interchange Services, that embody wholesale (Anon n.d.) and merchandising services. There have been several apprehensions towards gap of this sector .[5] Various reasons were there for this like concern of job losses, acquisition from international market, competition and loss of entrepreneurial opportunities. However, the government in an exceedingly series of moves has unfolded the retail sector slowly to foreign sector. In 1997, FDI in money and carry (wholesale) with 100% possession was allowed underneath the government approval route. It had been brought underneath the automated route in 2006. 51 % investment in an exceedingly single complete retail outlet was conjointly permissible in 2006. FDI in Multi-Brand merchandising is prohibited in India[6]. The government of India has reviewed the living policy on FDI and set that FDI, up to 100%, underneath the government approval route, would be permissible in Single-Brand (Anon n.d.)Product Foreign Investment in Single complete product retail commerce is aimed toward attracting investments in production and selling,

rising the provision of such product for the investor, encouraging exaggerated sourcing of products from India, and enhancing fight of Indian enterprises through access to world styles, technologies and management practices.

(2) FDI in Single complete product retail commerce would be subject to the subsequent conditions:

(a) merchandise to be sold-out ought to be of a 'Single Brand' solely.

(b) merchandise ought to be sold-out underneath identical complete internationally i.e. merchandise ought to be sold-out underneath identical complete in one or a lot of countries excluding India.

(c) 'Single Brand' product-retail commerce would cover solely merchandise that are branded throughout producing.

(d) The foreign capitalist ought to be the owner of the complete.

(e) In respect of proposals involving FDI on the far side 51 necessary sourcing of a minimum of 30 % value of the product are sold-out would have to be compelled to be done from Indian 'small industries/ village and cottage industries, artisans and craftsmen'. 'Small industries' would be outlined as Retail commerce,[7] subject to fixed conditions, as industries that have a complete investment in plant & machinery not prodigious U.S.A. \$ 100 million. This valuation refers to the worth at the time of installation, while not providing for depreciation.

(3) Application seeking permission of the government for FDI in retail trade of 'Single Brand' merchandise would be created to the Secretariat for Industrial (SIA) within the Department of commercial Policy & Promotion. the applying would specifically indicate the product/ product classes that are projected to be sold-out underneath a 'Single Brand'. Any addition to the product/ product classes to be sold-out underneath 'Single Brand' would need a contemporary approval of the government.

### **Advantages of FDI in Retail in India:**

**Growth in Economy :** Due foreign firms stepping into retail sector, new infrastructure are going to be designed thereby bolstering the jaggging assets sector.[8] In turn, banking sector also will grow because the funds required to make infrastructure are going to be provided by banks.

**Job Opportunities:** It's been calculable consistent with government, that close to 10 million jobs are going to be created largely in retail and assets sectors (Anon n.d.)

**Benefits to Farmers:** within the retailing business, the intermediaries have dominated the

interface between the makers or producers and also the customers. therefore the farmers and makers lose their actual share of ratio, because the lion's share is eaten by the middlemen. This issue will be resolved by FDI, as farmers may get contract farming, wherever they'll be able to provide associate degree union distributor based mostly upon demand and can get paid handsomely for that and that they needn't run in search of consumers.

Benefits to consumers : customers can get style of sensible quality product at low costs compared to market rates and can be able to make a choice from numerous international brands at one place.(Anon n.d.)

Lack of Infrastructure: This has been one in all the common problems within the selling chain in India for years, that has led to the method of associate degree incompetent market mechanism.[9] To cite associate degree example, in spite of Asian nation being one in all the biggest producers of fruits and vegetables, lack of correct cold storage facility considerably affects the merchandising of those putrefied things and conjointly in immense losses. permitting FDI may facilitate Asian nation have higher supplying and storage technologies leading to avoiding wastage. FDI foreign firms can invest around \$ one hundred million in Asian nation. Thereby, infrastructure facilities, refrigeration technology, transportation sector can get a lift.

(6) Cheaper Production facilities: FDI can assure operations in production cycle and distribution. Due to economies of operation, production facilities are going to be accessible at a less expensive rate and therefore leading to handiness of selection product to the final word customers at an affordable and cheaper worth.

### **DISADVANTAGE OF FDI IN RETAIL**

specialists say that whereas analyzing the positives and negatives of FDI in retail, each the government and also the opposition didn't sit down with the Parliament Committee report wherever its effects had been studied in nice detail. The committee had taken into cognizance several witnesses, NGOs, people, and trade associations to come (Anon n.d.)back up with the same report.

The Committee visited numerous corners of India and conjointly went through reports and gathered data concerning the expertise of comparable choices in different countries. It conjointly enquired from many government departments concerning the matter.



The Committee had surmised in its report that the {amount|the quantity} of individuals obtaining jobs are going to be lesser than the quantity of individuals losing a similar as a considerable amount of marginal and tiny farmers are going to be drained. Another issues expected out of this were aggressive rating and prevalence of monopoly. [10] As per the Committee's report nearly eight percent of India's men is utilized within the unorganized retail sector. [11] This comes up to roughly 40 million individuals. It's been declared that FDI in retail can generate two million jobs. However, the Committee had declared that it's not a correct indication because it doesn't absorb to account the amount of individuals UN agency already add the retail sector

## **LIMITATION**

**HINDRANCE TO DOMESTIC INVESTMENT:** Foreign direct investment poses an excellent threat to small and marginal domestic investors as they will be fully wiped out due to massive and big investments from different countries. This could result in reluctance within the perspective of the domestic investors. They might like a a lot of stable and safe investment free from a high degree of competition.

**NEGATIVE INFLUENCES ON EXCHANGE RATE:** Many time it's been detected that Foreign Direct Investments have an effect on the exchange rates of your country. just in case you are a exporter or a importer you're progressing to suffer badly because of such fluctuations in exchange rates.

**INCREASED COST:** Sometimes manufacturing and mercantilism from an overseas country becomes loads costlier than mercantilism it from home country.[12] The total purpose of investment in a very foreign country then becomes infeasible and undesirable.

**ECONOMICALLY NON VIABLE:** The Indian Government permits FDI in the main in areas that need relatively high investments like air crafts, cars, construction etc. It generally becomes non-viable for United States to speculate in larger comes in foreign countries even though we tend to want to as a result of such high capital investment.

**UNNECESSARY GOVERNMENTAL CONTROL:** As already mentioned, it's associate initiative taken by the government of India. The Indian government invariably get to learn its

own economy solely and so would exercise management on the assorted Foreign Direct Investments. Thus prepare to be monitored by the Indian government.

**COLONIZING DEVELOPING ECONOMIES:** The foreign country could select colonizing the domestic country by getting an important position within the economy and exploiting the human capital. [13] East India Company has already left a mark and currently new corporations may rule the channel. The domestic country gets level to victimization and this manner Foreign Direct Investment makes a rustic vulnerable to constitution.

**CONTINUOUS POLITICAL CHANGES:** In a very democracy like India, the political surroundings is incredibly volatile. New rules area unit created daily and broken even before that so the investors notice the bottom invariably shaking with changes and what they get is incredibly risky one. Economic stability is incredibly laborious to attain.

**THREAT TO DOMESTIC INVESTOR:** by providing ample of area to the foreign investors, the domestic investors' freedom is restricted to bound spheres solely.[14] And a threat to domestic investors has expose a significant downside.

**DRAINAGE OF COUNTRY'S RESOURCES:** continuous exports result in drain of country's resources via low cost channels. Resources of the host country area unit drained out at terribly low costs resulting in additional stagnation of the Direct Investors get host.

**VULNERABILITY** to global shocks as additional Foreign action, the host becomes prone to most of the foreign shocks.[15] Thus, depressions in the other country would severely have an effect on the host country too.

**Negative Implications:** a) Foreign corporations may buy a local company in order to shut it down (and gain monopoly for example). b) "Crowding out" effect- We can see this effect if the foreign corporations target the domestic market and domestic corporations are not able to compete with these corporations. c) Foreign corporations may cut working positions (privatization deals or M&A transactions). d) Foreign corporations have a tendency to use their usual suppliers which can lead to increased imports (no problem if the production is export driven). e) Repatriation of the profits can be stressful on the balance of payments. f) The high growth of wages in foreign corporations can influence a similar growth in the domestic

corporations which are not able to cover this growth with the growth of productivity- The result is the decreasing competitiveness of domestic companies. g) Missing tax revenues- If the foreign corporations receive tax holidays or similar provisions. h) The emergence of a dual economy- The economy will contain a developed foreign sector and an underdeveloped domestic sector. i) Possible environmental damage. j) “Incentive tourism”.

**HIGH CORPORATE TAX RATES:** Corporate tax rates in East Asia are generally in the range of 15 to 30 percent, compared with a rate of 48 percent for foreign companies in India. High corporate tax rate is definitely a major disincentive to foreign corporate investment in India.

**INDECISIVE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL INSTABILITY:** There were too many anomalies on the government side during past two decades and they are still affecting the direct inflow of FDI in India such as mismanagement and oppression by the different company, which affect the image of the country and also deject the prospective investor, who are very much conscious about safety and constant return on their investment.

### **SUGGESTION:**

1. A National Commission ought to be discovered so as to line up the conditions on foreign retail on acquisition of farm turn out. It ought to additionally state the minimum space needed for storage.
2. There ought to be a gradual entry of foreign players is important thus on defend the interest of native retails within the country. The foreign players ought to be slowly allowed in metros.
3. Stringent policies ought to developed and fine tuned,.
4. Foreign players ought to be allowed during a structured manner.
5. The government ought to formulate single window system to scale back complexities for foreign investors.

### **CONCLUSION:**

The foreign investment in retail which was once a prohibited sector, now became the FDI in retail has now gained momentum in both single brand retail and multi brand retail. The very prohibited sector has got so much of momentum The single brand retail has allowed 100% FDI. The foreign direct investment and politically sensitive multi brand retail have been facing a lot

of trouble, yet policies are to be changed and should allowed in a phased manner. This will make the retail industry to be tapped and the growth will be well developed in encouraging the GDP growth of the country. The small retail stores should also function in a smooth manner even if the foreign players dominate the segment. To conclude, The growth of retail industry will be tapped which will allow foreign players to play a major role in upbringing this industry as an emerging sector.

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