

**Low growth rate of FDI inflow**

38. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether growth rate of inflow of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in India has been at a five-year low in 2017-18; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI C.R. CHAUDHARY): (a) and (b) Measures taken by the Government on FDI policy liberalization coupled with improvement in ease of doing business climate has resulted in unprecedented growth of total FDI inflows. Country has been recording highest ever FDI since 2015-16. It increased from 55.56 USD billion to 60.22 USD billion in 2016-17 and reached to 61.96 USD billion in 2017-18. These figures surpass the FDI inflows of any of the preceding financial years. Year wise increase in the total FDI inflows can be seen in the following table:

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Total FDI Inflow (in USD billion)
1.	2013-14	36.05
2.	2014-15	45.15
3.	2015-16	55.56
4.	2016-17 (P)	60.22
5.	2017-18(P)	61.96

(P) - Provisional.

**WTO'S panel to check compliance on solar power Programme**

39. SHRI K.R. ARJUNAN:

SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Trade Organisation had set up a panel to check India's compliance with last year's ruling on solar power programme;