

## ECONOMY

### ■ FDI Inflow in R&D Sector Registers 516% Increase

India attracted USD 343.64 million FDI equity inflow in R&D (Research and Development) sector during 2021 (Calendar Year) which is 516% higher as compared to previous 2020 (USD 55.77 million), according to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. FDI is permitted under the 100% automatic route in R&D sector. Karnataka is the top FDI Equity recipient state in R&D followed by Telangana and Haryana. Singapore is the top investing country in R&D with 40% share of total FDI Equity followed by Germany (35%) and U.S.A (11%). Further, FDI Equity inflow from several countries like Germany, Mauritius, France, Singapore, Oman and U.S.A. showed an increase of more than 200% as compared to previous year. These trends indicate a robust and growing R&D sector which would benefit the economy by driving innovation, increasing productivity, thereby leading to higher economic growth.