

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1209
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2023**

DEBT INSTRUMENTS AND EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS

1209. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that EPFO has invested a huge amount in Debt Instruments and Exchange Traded Funds and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the total amount invested in Share Market and related products by EPFO during each of the last seven years and the current year; and**
- (c) the details of total EPF amount invested in the shares of Blue Chip Companies during the last five years?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (c): Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) invests Funds as per the Investment Pattern notified by the Government. Total corpus of various funds managed by EPFO as on 31.03.2022 was Rs. 18.30 lakh crore, which has been invested as under:

Debt Investments (including Public Account of India)	ETF Investments
91.30%	8.70%

EPFO does not invest directly in individual stocks including stocks of any blue chip company. EPFO invests in Equity markets through ETFs replicating BSE-SENSEX and NIFTY-50 indices. EPFO has also invested from time-to-time in ETFs constructed specifically for disinvestment of shareholding of the Government of India in body corporates. The details of investments made by EPFO in ETFs during the last seven years and current year are as below:-

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Year	Amount Invested (in Rs. crore)
2016-17	14,983
2017-18	24,790
2018-19	27,974
2019-20	31,501
2020-21	32,071
2021-22	43,568
2022-23	53,081*
2023-24 (till October, 2023)	27,105*

***Provisional**
