

Countries enter into foreign trade to overcome scarcity of resources and obtain cost benefits. Foreign trade is monitored by world Trade organisation.

→ Advantages:

1. Foreign capital (FDI, FII)
2. Advance technology
3. Research & Development → HR
4. Better quality goods at low cost
5. Increases employment
6. Peace & Harmony

All the above points lead to economic growth and development

→ Disadvantages:

1. Rivalry because of competition
2. Exploitation of natural resources
3. Threat to domestic industries
4. Loss of cultural identities
5. No employment to semiskilled / unskilled labour

→ Units:

1. Theories of International Trade
2. Instruments of Trade Policy
3. Trade negotiations
4. Exchange rate and its economic effects
5. International capital movement

1] Theories of International Trade →

* Absolute cost Advantage Theory:

concept given by: Adam Smith

→ Assumptions:

i. Trade between 2 countries.

Only 1 factor (labour).

2 commodities.

} 2:2:1 model

ii Full employment

iii only labour days taken

iv trade has no restrictions (in real life, there are many restrictions)

commodity	no. of days		cost - ratio	
	Australia	India	Australia	India
wheat	10	20	$10/20 = 0.5$	$20/10 = 2$
Jute	20	10	$20/10 = 2$	$10/20 = 0.5$

In this, either country has advantage in one of the goods

In above table, 1 is taken as base in cost ratio

∴ In case of wheat: Australia gains 0.5

India loses extra 1

Similarly in case of jute: Australia loses 1

India gains 0.5

∴ Australia should produce wheat & sell to India

India should produce jute & sell to Australia

It should ^{never} always be zero sum ^{game} exchange, ~~ie~~ it must be win-win situation, one party should not gain or lose more than the other

more no. of days, more cost,

less no. of days, less cost

} direct relation.

* Comparative Cost Advantage Theory:

concept by: David Ricardo.

Assumptions: Same as Absolute Cost Theory.

commodity	No. of days		cost Ratio	
	Australia	India	Australia	India
wheat	10	15	$10/15 = 0.66$	$15/10 = 1.50$
Jute	20	25	$20/25 = 0.80$	$25/20 = 1.25$

In this, one country has benefit in both goods.
 $\therefore$ Australia will produce in which it has more advantage i.e. wheat (0.66) while India will produce in which it has less loss, i.e. jute (1.25).

* Hecksher - Ohlin Theory:

Also known as modern theory / factor endowment theory
 Factor equilisation theorem /

~~instead of exchange of goods~~, exchange of factors.

Concept by: Hecksher, Ohlin & Paul Samuelson

Assumptions: (2-2-2 model)

- i. 2 countries, 2 commodities, 2 factors (capital, labour)
- rest all assumptions are same.

eg: USA $\rightarrow$ country 1 $\rightarrow$ capital surplus $\rightarrow I_1, w_1$ interest wages (USA)
 India $\rightarrow$ country 2 $\rightarrow$ labour surplus $\rightarrow I_2, w_2$ interest wages (India)

$\therefore$ before trade: $I_1 < I_2$; $w_1 > w_2$

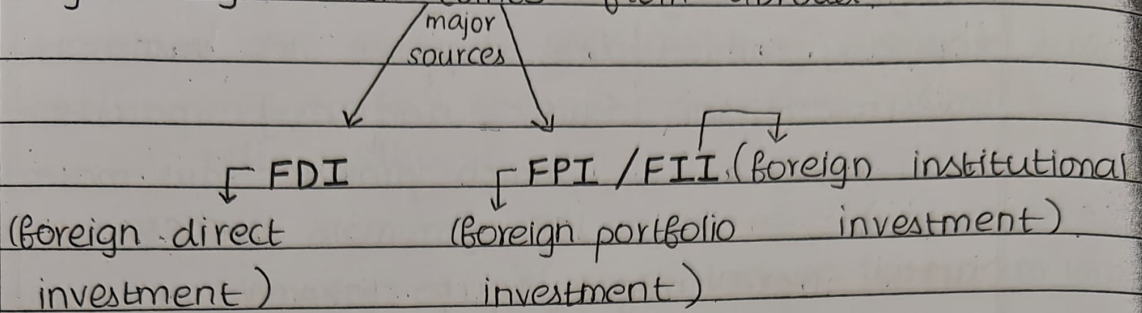
after trade: $I_1 = I_2$, $w_1 = w_2$

capital
 USA $\rightarrow$ India
 labour

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INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL MOVEMENTS :

Any money which comes from abroad.



* Foreign Direct Investment → [FDI]

→ Money comes from abroad from:

Foreign government / investor / company

→ Money enters and is invested in India's business.

• Features:

1. Long term
2. Money is invested in some particular business.
3. No speculation. ↑
greater decision making
4. Stake will always be more than or at least 10%.
5. There is asset creation & capital formation.
6. Employment generation (skilled)
7. Technology transfer (Research & Development ↑
cost ↓)

• Types / Modes of FDI :

1. Horizontal FDI →

Invested in various countries but in SAME line of business.

eg: Vodafone, Toyota.

2. vertical FDI →

Foreign company will buy stake in that Indian company which will support its main business, i.e. investment in India's ancillary industries which provide raw material / spare parts.

eg: Suzuki Nexa might buy stake in a tyre company.

3. Conglomerate FDI →

one company which is into several business and several countries.

eg: Tata, Reliance (Indian), ~~Mis~~ Mitsubishi (Japan)

4. Greenfield FDI →

A foreign company coming to India and starting from scratch. There is no tie-up / merger with any Indian company.

eg: IKEA

5. Brownfield FDI →

A foreign company coming to India & having a tie-up / merger or acquiring an Indian company.

eg: Tata-Starbucks, Vodafone-Idea.

* Foreign Portfolio / Institutional Investment: (FPI/FII)

Money is invested in India's stock / bonds market:

• Features:

1. Short term
2. No speculation
3. Stake is less than 10%.
4. No employment generation or asset creation (only financial assets)

SEBI → regulator

POV of
Investors

Reasons for FDI: Higher ROI, cheaper labour, low tax, FDI attractive policies in India, no recession in India, economies of scale ($\therefore$ cost $\downarrow$), they want to promote their products in several countries.

refer $\downarrow$ module

POV of
investors

Factors that discourage FDI: lack of infrastructure, inflation, balance of payments, lack of literacy, low level of skilled labour, rigidity in labour, legal formalities, corruption, political instability, language barriers.

• Benefit of FDI: refer module

• Problems of FDI: refer module

• Areas where FDI is not allowed: refer module

FDI is done through $\rightarrow$ automatic route
 $\rightarrow$ govt approval (railway, defence)

It is usually prohibited in agriculture, railway, defence. (if allowed, only upto small extent)

No foreigner can buy TDR (Transfer development rights), chit funds, 'NIDHI' companies (type of NBFC)

Higher the quantity, higher the tariff
 lower " " , lower " " Same for price.

Both which is high
 main part pai aag, Spare part aag.

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2] INSTRUMENTS OF TRADE POLICY :

biggest instrument of trade policy is Tariff टारिफ़ कर अथवा उसकी ?



type of tax / import duty

trade policy is something which will aim to increase exports & decrease imports.

main objective is to protect domestic industry (to make domestic goods cheaper, foreign goods more expensive)

Objectives of Trade Policy: refer module

— main instrument

☆☆ Types of Tariff →

1. Specific Tariff →

Imposed on QUANTITY / VOLUME.

Qty ↑ , Tariff ↑ ; Qty ↓ Tariff ↓

2. Add-valorem Tariff →

Imposed on MRP

3. Mixed Tariff →

Imposed on either ^{qty} specific or ^{MRP} ad-valorem, whichever is higher.

4. Compound Tariff →

Imposed on both ^{qty} specific and ^{MRP} ad valorem

5. Technical Tariff →

Imposed on main part aag se and spare part aag se.

6 Tariff Rate Quotas →

It is a normal upto certain limit, after limit is crossed, higher rate is imposed

[WTO
is not
allowed]

7. Most favoured nation tariff →

Only if countries are part of [preferential agreement] lower rate is charged

eg: OPEC, NAFTA, EU. SAFTA, BRICS

8 variable tariff →

varying the tariff rate as per domestic situations

9 Preferential Tariff →

same as (7)

10 Bound / Binding Tariff →

country binds itself with a legal/written commitment that it will not increase tariff beyond certain limit. There is an upper limit ^{benchmark}

• Applicable Tariff.

11 Escalated Tariff →

Higher tariff for finished goods, lower tariff for raw materials

China

12 Anti - Dumping Duty →

Tariff as reward

also
applicable
to
counter
vailing
duty

Also known as 'protectionist' or 'tariff as response' or 'triggerred price mechanism'

Anti-dumping duty is imposed by DOMESTIC govt. on foreign inputs/^{imports} which it believes to be priced below fair market value

13 Counter vailing duties →

Exports
Point of
view

These are tariff that aim to offset the artificially low price charged by exporters who enjoy export subsidy or tax concession offered by their home country

* Non Tariff Measures →

→ Technical Measures: →

① Sanitary / Phytosanitary Measure →

Coming
from
abroad

applicable on food products which are imported ^{or} affecting the plant life, animal life, nature can be banned. eg ~~potato~~ Swineflu in poultry products.

② Technical Barrier to Trade →

applicable on food & other products also every product has to go through mandatory regulation. If the product doesn't match the standards, the country has the right to reject the product.

→ Non-Technical Measures: →

① Imported quotas (tariff rate quota)

② Price control (ad-valorem tariff)

③ Non-automatic licensing (license can be cancelled before expiry)

④ Financial Measure govt ^{help} RBI ^{help} comm bank

no overdraft ↑ ROI increase currency. ↑ cost of borrowing

⑤ Measures affecting competition ^{→ govt will outsource 3rd party as an economic agent}

⑥ Restriction on post sale service must be outsourced to locals

⑦ safeguard measures

State
Trading
Corporation

- ⑧ Trade Related to Investment measures:
type of multi lateral trade agreement measures:
1. 20-25% indian raw material.
 2. employment should majorly go to locals.
 3. products made 75-80% should be sold in India.

⑨ Embargos: →

putting a heavy ban / complete restriction on foreign products entering domestic territory

1. bad political relation
 2. product might hurt religious sentiments
- } reasons.

* Voluntary Export Restraints (VER): [They do for relation]

when domestic country requests the exporting country to voluntarily ^{restrict} reduce export for sometime

Tariff will prevent from enjoying gain arising from out of comparative and absolute cost adv.

* Effects of Tariff →

1. creates obstacles in trade & thereby discourages import.
2. tariff encourages production & consumption of domestic (protecting domestic industries)
3. tariff prevents country from enjoying the gains arising out of comparative & absolute cost advantage.
4. Increases revenue of domestic government & produces

4] EXCHANGE RATE AND ITS ECONOMIC EFFECTS

exchange rate is the rate at which one country's currency is exchanged for another.

Direct Quote	Indirect Quote
↓	↓
no. of units of domestic (local) currency exchanged for one unit of foreign currency.	no. of units of foreign currency exchanged for one unit of domestic currency.

- Foreign currency is base currency & domestic currency is counter currency.
- domestic currency is base currency & foreign currency is counter currency.

* Cross Rate → Dollar is called vehicle currency / universal currency. 3 different countries' currencies are involved out of which one will be a common currency, which will help us to decide the rate of other 2 currencies.

Cross Rate is an exchange rate of 2 different currencies that are not quoted against each other but are quoted against one common currency.

$$\frac{\text{INR}}{\$} \times \frac{\$}{\text{PESO}} = \frac{\text{INR}}{\text{PESO}}$$

abhi ka rate

* Nominal and Real Exchange Rate →

Nominal Exchange Rate is the current exchange rate, decided on the spot by market forces of demand and supply.

Real Exchange Rate is the rate at which a person can trade the goods & services of one country for goods & services of another country. It describes how many of a goods & services in one country can be trade for one of that good or service in another country.

$$\text{Real Exchange Rate} = \frac{\text{Nominal Exchange Rate} \times \text{Domestic Price Index}}{\text{Foreign Price Index}}$$

* Types of Exchange Rates →

1. Fixed Exchange Rate / Pegged Exchange Rate
 - soft pegged
 - hard pegged

2. Floating Exchange Rate / Flexible Exchange Rate

3. Spot Exchange Rate

4. Forward Exchange Rate

1. Fixed / Pegged Exchange Rate (ER) → Qatar, Hongkong, Saudi Arabia, Cuba, etc

Pegging means deciding

it is that ER which is NOT decided by market forces of demand & supply, but it is decided by country's central bank, on the condition that the country has to keep a huge amount of forex reserve with IMF (International Monetary Fund)

Advantage: less risk of inflation / currency fluctuation

Disadvantage: reserve with IMF, high level of high interference of central bank, currency manipulation

soft pegged: when for the time being, central bank allows ER to be decided by market forces of demand & supply. (very short period)

Hard pegged: By seeing ^(after soft pegged) the direction of currency, whether it is going $\nearrow$ or $\searrow$, they will take back the decision of currency under its control.

2. Floating / Flexible Exchange Rate $\rightarrow$ ^{India, UK, USA, Japan}
- It is that ER which is decided by market forces of demand & supply.
- Advantages: NO reserve with IMF, no currency manipulation
Less intervention of central bank
- Disadvantages: High risk of currency fluctuation and inflation.

3. Spot Exchange Rate $\rightarrow$ of currencies where buying & selling takes place on the spot without any delay.
- wholesale transaction: bulk, retail: small qty
(when order is placed, that rate is applicable)

4. Forward Exchange Rate $\rightarrow$
- Rate is agreed today, but applicable for buying & selling of currencies at a future specified date (can enter - banks, traders usually).
- It is a zero-sum game (both cannot benefit at once).

* Arbitrage $\rightarrow$

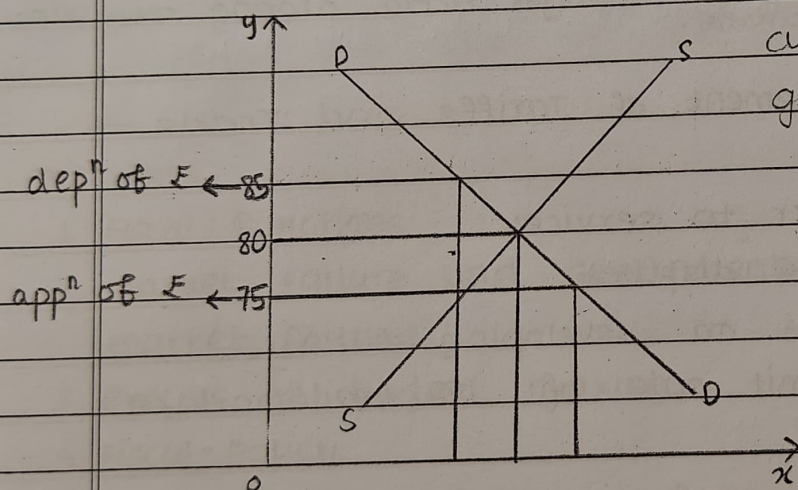
Buying currency ⁱⁿ one country at lower price and selling same currency in another country at higher price. Difference is profit.

* Difference between devaluation & depreciation

Devaluation	depreciation
1. Done in fixed ER (by country's central bank)	Done in floating ER (by dd and ss)
2. Cannot be done frequently	Happens very frequently

* Equilibrium Exchange Rate / Appreciation & Depreciation of Currency / RBI's Intervention in Forex Management / Managed Float →

RBI buys & sells currency when situation goes out of control.



Both appreciation as well as depreciation is bad.

↓
imports will ↑ beyond limit
exporters are demotivated.

↓
imports will be v. expensive
exports ↑, domestic market
will be affected.

To come close to equilibrium, RBI will sell ^{dollars} in case of a depreciation & buy dollars in case of appreciation.

exchange rate → cause
demand & supply → effect.

→ Depreciation of Home currency
exchange rate - effect, demand & supply - cause

Because of imports ↑, demand for dollar ↑
supply remains constant
∴ rupee depreciates & dollar appreciates
(effect on ER)

South America

3] TRADE NEGOTIATIONS (not as important) **WTO**

Headquarters in Geneva

* World Trade Organisation - settles disputes and finds solutions - manages trade among countries

* General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade →

Problems:

1. did not cater to services
2. did not solve disputes
3. did not focus on developing country
4. did not permit sale of IPR, trademark, etc.

* In Uruguay conference of 1986 123 countries participated - boycotted GATT.

Hence, on Jan 1, 1995 - WTO was formed.

* One more conference in Doha - mainly promoted agriculture.
(2001)

objectives, structure, guidelines of WTO