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FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

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Foreign Direct Investment inflows serve to augment domestic investments, promotes industrial development and employment generation across sectors and ancillary industries. Further, such investments bring international best practices and latest technologies which facilitate in skill development, export promotion and improvement of overall competitiveness of economy leading to overall economic growth and development in the country.

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