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## Listed firms must have at least 25% public holding:-

The Union finance ministry stipulated that listed companies must have at least 25% public holding. The decision will force several giants to tap the stock market to dilute the promoters' holdings to the stipulated 75% level.

According to some estimates, total money raised through this route could amount to Rs 2.10 lakh crore over the next few years. There could be public issues worth Rs 60,000 crore this year itself, with government-owned companies accounting for Rs 40,000 crore. Companies are required to reach the 25% level by adding at least 5% to the public holding every year. For example, a company with 10% public holding will have to make it 15%, then 20% and finally 25% over three years.

The new norm is expected to improve availability of shares for trading in the market and make it tougher to manipulate share prices. "A dispersed shareholding structure is essential for the sustenance of a continuous market for listed securities to provide liquidity to investors and to discover fair prices," the ministry said in a statement. Finance minister Pranab Mukherjee had proposed the move in his 2009-10 Union Budget speech.

<u>Conclusion</u>- Now the manipulation in share prices will be less and liquidity will be more. The companies having public shareholding less than 25%, may bring FPOs or QIPs at lower than market price, The investors may get a good chance to enter into these companies at reasonable price in coming days.

## List of companies having public holding less than 25% till 31.03.2010 -

S No	Company Name	Total Public Holding in %	Total Promoter's holding in %
1	3M India	23.99	76
2	Ackruti City	17.51	82.49
3	Aeonian Invest.	13.04	86.96
4	Akar Tools	18.44	81.57
5	Alfa Laval (I)	11.24	88.77

6	Amrapali Inds.	24.56	75.44
7	Andrew Yule & Co	5.58	94.42
8	Aroni Commercial	10.9	89.1
9	Astrazeneca Phar	10	90
10	Atlas Copco (I)	16.24	83.77
11	Aunde Faze Three	14.37	85.64
12	Bank of Maha	23.23	76.77
13	Batliboi	18.27	81.73
14	Berger Paints	24.41	75.59
15	Best Eastern Hot	10.4	89.6
16	BGR Energy Sys.	18.69	81.31
17	Bhagyashree Leas	15.96	84.04
18	Bharat Electron	24.13	75.86
19	Blue Dart Exp.	18.96	81.03
20	BOC India	10.52	89.48
21	Brady & Morris	18.05	81.95
22	Cambridge Sol.	24.34	75.66
23	Central Bank	19.79	80.21
24	Century Ply.	14.16	85.84
25	Chettinad Cement	14.97	85.03
26	Citurgia Biochem	1.34	98.66
27	D B Corp	13.65	86.35
28	Dhanuka Agritech	10.09	89.91
29	Dhunseri Tea	24.99	75
30	DLF	21.36	78.64
31	Dredging Corpn.	21.44	78.56
32	Elantas Beck	11.45	88.55
33	Engineers India	9.6	90.4
34	English Ind.Clay	20.09	79.91
35	Essar Shipping	16.29	83.71
36	FACT	1.04	98.96
37	Fairfield Atlas	16.09	83.91
38	Falcon Tyres	15.86	84.14
39	Fem Care Pharma	7.85	92.15
40	Fortis Health.	23.53	76.47
41	Foseco India	13.52	86.48
42	Fres.Kabi Onco.	10	90
43	Gammon Infra.	24.02	75.98
44	Gandhimathi Appl	24.7	75.3
45	Gillette India	11.28	88.73
46	Gini Silk Mills	12.13	87.87
47	GMM Pfaudler	24.38	75.63
48	Godrej Inds.	20.9	79.1
49	Godrej Propert.	16.21	83.79

50	Gogia Capital	20.54	79.46
51	Gokaldas Exports	11.72	88.27
52	Guj. State Fin.	16.05	83.95
53	Guj. Themis Bio.	22.97	77.03
54	Gulshan Chemfill	14.6	85.4
55	Hella India	18.15	81.85
56	Hind.Copper	0.41	99.59
57	HMT	1.12	98.88
58	Honeywell Auto	18.77	81.24
59	HSBC InvestDir	7.11	92.89
60	IOCL	21.08	78.92
61	IL&FS Transport	24.91	75.09
62	Ind Bank Housing	24	76
63	Indag Rubber	20.13	79.86
64	India Cem. Cap.	14.31	85.68
65	India Foils	15.47	84.53
66	Indian Bank	20	80
67	Indo Asian Finan	19.13	80.87
68	Ineos ABS (India	16.67	83.33
69	ITI	7.02	92.98
70	IVRCL Assets	11.93	88.07
71	Jaypee Infratec.	16.84	83.16
72	JCT Electronics	17.21	82.79
73	Jet Airways	20	79.99
74	Jolly Board	10.11	89.89
75	Joonktolle Tea	16.29	83.7
76	JP Power Ven.	12.3	87.7
77	JSW Energy	23.27	76.72
78	Kennametal India	11.84	88.16
79	Khoday India	10.46	89.54
80	Kwality Dairy	16.3	83.7
81	MRPL	11.42	88.58
82	Madras Fert.	14.73	85.27
83	Mah. Elektrosm.	0.88	99.12
84	Mahindra Holiday	16.91	83.09
85	Marathon Nextgen	10.85	89.15
86	Metal Coatings	24.15	75.85
87	Millennium Beer	11.05	88.95
88	MMTC	0.67	99.33
89	Modern India	13.85	86.15
90	Monnet Sugar	23.4	76.6
91	Mundra Port	19.83	80.17
92	Nag. Agrichem	21.71	78.29
93	Natl. Aluminium	12.86	87.15

94	Natl.Fertilizer	2.36	97.64
95	Neyveli Lignite	6.44	93.56
96	NHPC Ltd	13.63	86.36
97	Nirma	22.83	77.17
98	Nitta Gelatin	19.49	80.5
99	NMDC	10	90
100	Novartis India	23.58	76.42
101	NTPC	15.5	84.5
102	OCL Iron & Steel	23.8	76.21
103	Oil India	21.57	78.43
104	Omaxe	10.86	89.14
105	Oracle Fin.Serv.	19.53	80.47
106	Orient Press	9.92	90.08
107	Piramal Glass	23.21	76.79
108	Plethico Pharma	12.99	87.01
109	Power Fin.Corpn.	10.22	89.78
110	Power Grid Corpn	13.64	86.36
111	Pranav. Spinning	6.17	93.84
112	Puravankar.Proj.	10.04	89.96
113	RCF	7.5	92.5
114	Ramsarup Inds.	24.11	75.89
115	RAS Propack	19.69	80.3
116	Ras Resorts	22.12	77.88
117	Reliance Power	15.22	84.78
118	Remi Metals Guj.	8.04	91.96
119	Rollatainers	13.92	86.08
120	SAIL	14.16	85.82
121	SCI	19.88	80.12
122	STC	8.97	91.02
123	Sah Petroleums	13.11	86.89
124	Sahyadri Inds.	14.91	85.1
125	Saint-Gob. Sekur	14.23	85.77
126	Scooters India	4.62	95.38
127	Sharp India	20	80
128	Singer India	13.67	86.34
129	SJVN	10.04	89.97
130	St Bk of Mysore	7.66	92.33
131	Steelco Gujarat	21.74	78.26
132	Suashish Diamond	10.57	89.43
133	Sulzer India	19.97	80.03
134	Sun TV Network	23	77
135	Sundaram Clayton	20	80
136	Surat Textile	17.99	82.01
137	Swan Energy	19.07	80.92

138	TRIL	23.18	76.82
139	Tata Comm	16.37	76.15
140	Tata Tele. Mah.	22.28	77.73
141	Thomas Cook (I)	22.73	77.27
142	Timken India	19.99	80.02
143	Trade-Wings	23.88	76.12
144	U P Hotels	11.62	88.39
145	United Bank (I)	15.81	84.2
146	Uttam Sug.Mills	21.93	78.07
147	Vintron Info.	5.27	94.73
148	Vippy Industries	4.3	95.7
149	Vishnu Chemicals	24.78	75.21
150	W H Brady	17.04	82.96
151	Warren Tea	16.48	83.51
152	Wendt India	20.26	79.74
153	Wheels India	14.3	85.7
154	Wipro	18.83	79.52

Note- The above companies have traded on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2010. , Source- <u>www.timesofindia.com</u>

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