

Millionaires in the Country

†1357. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who are millionaires in the country or the persons whose business is running in millions of rupees;

(b) the state-wise details of these persons; and

(c) the number of persons out of them engaged in business and the details of business in which they are engaged?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) On the basis of returned income/ loss, the number of individual assessee's declaring income/loss of Rs. 10 lacs or above as on September 30th, 2003 were 70,217. Apart from this, the Income Tax Department does not maintain any data regarding the number of millionaires in the country.

(b) This information, in the manner in which it is maintained in the Income-Tax Department, is given In Statement (See below).

(c) Such details are not separately maintained. Compilation of such information would require collection of data from field units located all over the country, involving substantial time and effort, which may not be commensurate to the purpose sought to be achieved.

Statement

Number of Individual assessee's with income/loss of Rs. 10 lakhs and more as on 30-9-2003

s. No.	CCIT/DGIT Charge	Number of assessee's	S. No.	CCIT/DGIT Charge	Number of assessee's
1.	Ahmedabad	1168	22.	Lucknow	217
2.	Allahabad	76	23.	Ludhiana	515
3.	Amritsar	251	24.	Madurai	40
4.	Bangalore, Hubli & Panaji	13130	25.	Meerut	254

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s. No.	CCIT/DGIT Charge	Number of assesseees	S. No.	CCIT/DGIT Charge	Number of assesseees
5.	Baroda	665	26.	Mumbai	18939
6.	Bareilly	46.	27.	Nagpur	397
7.	Bhopal	146	28.	Nashik	225
8.	Bhubaneshwar	694	29.	Panchkula	431
9.	Chandigarh	489	30.	Patna	230
10.	Chennai	2716	31.	Pune	4198
11.	Cochin	411	32.	Raipur	64
12.	Coimbatore	512	33.	Rajkot	110
13.	Dehradun	199	34.	Ranchi	138
14.	Delhi	12450	35.	Shillong	50
15.	Guwahati	165	36.	Shimla	80
16.	Hyderabad & Visakhapatnam	3835	37.	Surat	587
17.	Indore	298	38.	Thane	821
18.	Jaipur	531	39.	Trichy	192
19.	Jodhpur	187	40.	Trivandrum	429
20.	Kanpur	498	41.	Udaipur	341
21.	Kolkata	3492			
Grand Total					70,217

Writing Off Loans to Kerala

1358. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Kerala to write off the loans to the tune of 50 per cent from National Savings Scheme;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government would consider to sanction half **as-grant**