

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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LIC AGENTS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) agents in the country;
- (b) the functions of LIC agents and their percentage of commission;
- (c) whether such agents assist in augmenting the number of LIC policies;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is contemplating doing away with the agents by discontinuing their commission; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has informed that the number of LIC agents as on 31.03.2011 are 13,37,064 in the country.
- (b) Functions of the LIC agents are prescribed in Rule 8 of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (Agents) Rules, 1972 and the percentage of commission paid to LIC agents depends upon the insurance plans and premium paying terms.
- (c) & (d) Yes, the main function of the LIC agents is to procure new business for the Corporation in the form of number of policies and premium. During the financial year 2010-11, LIC Agents have procured 3,33,43,756 policies with First Year Premium of Rs. 51,190.04 crore.
- (e) No, Sir
- (f) Does not arise.