

Indian expat wins big thanks to DDF



Riyas Kamaluddin took home US\$1M in Dubai Duty Free Millennium Millionaire promotion; three other winners drove away with their own luxury vehicle

An Indian national based in Abu Dhabi was announced as the latest US\$1 million winner in the Dubai Duty Free Millennium Millionaire draw, held at Concourse C of Dubai International Airport.

Mr. Riyas Kamaluddin won in Millennium Millionaire Series 391, with ticket number 4330, which he purchased online on May 27. A regular participant in the promotion for more than a decade, the 50-year-old father of two and aviation worker, shared the ticket cost with six of his colleagues and friends.

“We’ve been trying our luck for the last 15 years, finally we’ve won! Thank you, God, and thank you Dubai Duty Free!”

Mr. Kamaluddin is the 191st Indian national to have won US\$1 million since the start of the Millennium Millionaire promotion in 1999. Indian nationals make up the highest number of Dubai Duty Free Millennium Millionaire ticket buyers.

This week’s Millennium Millionaire draw was conducted by Dubai Duty Free's Executive Vice Chairman & CEO, Colm McLoughlin, Salah Tahlak, Executive Vice President – Corporate Service, Sinead El Sibai, SVP – Marketing and Michael Schmidt, SVP – Retail.

Following the Millennium Millionaire draw, the Finest Surprise draw was conducted for three luxury vehicles.

Mr. Mohamed Askouri, a 36-year-old Algerian national based in Dubai, won a Bentley Flying Spur V8 (Onyx) car, with ticket number 0887 in Finest Surprise Series 1806, which he purchased online on May 18th.

Mr. Ehsan Nazeer, a Pakistani national in the UAE, won a BMW F 900 XR (Black Storm Metallic) motorbike, with ticket number 0133 in Finest Surprise Series 499, which he purchased online on May 11.

Lastly, Mr. Mahmoud Al Qedra, a Palestinian national based in Dubai, won a BMW F 850 GS (Triple Black) motorbike, with ticket number 0066 in Finest Surprise Series 500, which he purchased on May 23.