

# **The Persians who are Significantly Dominant in India's Economy**

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On a lighter note, perhaps this article is better written in Persian rather than in English! Of course, it is doubtful whether the Persians I am going to talk about even know modern Persian.

Persians, called Parsis in Hindi, Bengali and other Indian languages, are significantly dominant in India's economy. Persians like Ratan Tata and Adi Godrej play a big role in India. The Persian, Ratan Tata, is in almost, if not all, sectors of the Indian economy. No American is in a comparable position in the American economy.

Who are these Persians? They fled Persia to take refuge in India after the Arabs conquered Persia. They practise Zoroastrianism.

They are oddities. Persian but holding Indian citizenship. Unassimilated with mainstream Indian culture. Holding fast to their Persian identity. Not having any loyalty to either Persia or India.

It is the Indians who have allowed these Persians to be such a dominant force in the Indian economy. Will Indians allow these Persians to continue this way?

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