

Robert Kuok
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Malaysia's Sugar King

Robert Kuok Hock Nien is the richest person in Malaysia and the second richest in Southeast Asia. Known to be a media-shy person, Kuok is often called Malaysia's Sugar King although he is no longer in the country's sugar business. Kuok is very much in the media business overseas until December 2015 when he sold his stakes in South China Morning Post to Alibaba. The deal was said to worth US\$265 million.

Kuok has businesses in many industries where his purchase of 35% shares in Rupert Murdoch's company saw him own Hong Kong editions of renowned titles. This includes Cosmopolitan, Harper's Bazaar, Esquire, Elle and such. Besides that, Shangri-La hotels and Kerry Properties are his as well.

Robert Kuok's Net Worth

\$10.6 Billion

What started out in rice, sugar and wheat flour trading in Malaysia back in 1949 rose to become a billion dollar conglomerate today. One of his major sources of wealth came through Wilmar International through his stake in the palm-oil business.

Age 92

Source Of Wealth

Mainly in Palm oil, real estate, hospitality, media and shipping. Robert Kouk is renowned for being a self-made billionaire.

Residence

Hong Kong

Kuok spends his time mostly in Hong Kong where most of his businesses are operating.

Citizenship

Malaysia

Marital Status

Married

Kuok is married to Ho Poh Lin who is his second wife.

Children

Having been married twice, Kuok has 8 children. Kuok Khoon Ean is currently handling most of

his day-to-day operations. Kouk Khoon Ho meanwhile is chairman of the Kuok Foundation.

Education

He is a graduate of [Raffles College Singapore](#).

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