



## Representation of Numbers upto 1 Lakh on the abacus

**An Abacus:** An abacus is a tool or device used to represent numbers using beads. It helps students understand place values easily.

**Parts of an Abacus (Indian Place Value System):**

**For numbers up to 1 Lakh, we use 6 columns on the abacus:**

Place Name	Short Form	Value
Lakhs	L	1,00,000
Ten Thousands	TTh	10,000
Thousands	Th	1,000
Hundreds	H	100
Tens	T	10
Ones	O	1

Each column shows how many beads are placed to represent digits.

**Properties of Abacus Representation:**

- Each bead stands for a digit.
- The position of the bead shows its place value.
- The abacus helps in visualizing large numbers easily.
- The maximum number of digits used for numbers up to 1 Lakh is 6.

**Example 1:**

**Question:** Show the number 38,416 on the abacus.

**Solution:**

Break the number into place values:

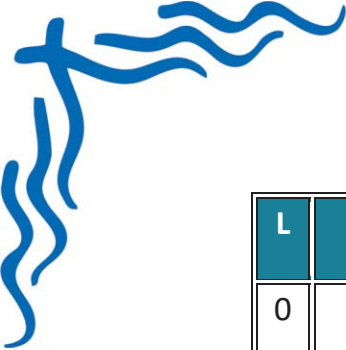
TTh = 3

Th = 8

H = 4

T = 1

O = 6



L	TTh	Th	H	T	O
0	3	8	4	1	6

**Answer:** Use 3 beads in Ten Thousands, 8 in Thousands, 4 in Hundreds, 1 in Tens, and 6 in Ones.

**Example 2:**

**Question:** A number is shown on an abacus as follows:

L = 1

TTh = 0

Th = 5

H = 2

T = 3

O = 9

**What is the number?**

**Solution:**

Form the number by writing digits from left to right:

- 1 (L)  $\rightarrow$  1,00,000
- 0 (TTh)  $\rightarrow$  0
- 5 (Th)  $\rightarrow$  5,000
- 2 (H)  $\rightarrow$  200
- 3 (T)  $\rightarrow$  30
- 9 (O)  $\rightarrow$  9
- $\Rightarrow$  Number = 1,05,239

**Answer:** The number is 1,05,239

**Summary Points:**

- The abacus is a helpful tool to understand place values.
- For numbers up to 1 lakh, we use 6 columns: L, TTh, Th, H, T, O.
- Each bead = 1 unit in that place.
- Large numbers can be broken into parts and placed on the abacus.
- Helps in reading, writing, and forming large numbers easily.