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Hi

One of the buzzword today is "interactive". If it is not interactive it is static. But give it a hard look and you will see it is true not only for new technologies but for a lot of things from a long time.

The interaction enhances the privileges of the membership of a society, club or association. A good organization has a lot of services to offer to its membership but one has to interact to get the benefits. Ditto for newspapers, magazines, television programs and web sites.

If you interact by writing back your praise, criticism or comments, you may find your note in the next issue or a correction carried out as per your suggestion. You may also receive explanations that may clarify and make you appreciate others' viewpoint. None of this will happen if you do not write, or interact, in the first place. Being interactive is also a way of contributing towards a common goal you share with others.

To conclude we say - think about it and be interactive, and to begin with write back to us. Your feedback will help us make this an even better newsletter.

Until next week, please enjoy the rest of the newsletter.

- M&SJ

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH ACTIVITIES PLANNED

Mr. R R P Singh, Director Postal Services, Delhi Circle called a meeting on August 29, at the Committee Room of the Office of the Chief Postmaster General. Mrs. Savita Jhingan, Mr. Pulak Gupta, Mr. Vijay Seth and Mr. Madhukar Jhingan represented the philatelists.

The agenda of the meeting was to organize (1) Painting Competition, (2) Letter Writing Competition, (3) Quiz Competition, and (4) Sit & Draw Contest on the occasion of INDEPEX-ASIANA 2000. In addition to organize regional and circle level competitions Delhi plays host to North Zone finals. The north zone includes 7 postal circles - Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Bihar besides Delhi.

The All India finals shall be held on December 9 at Calcutta during the INDEPEX-ASIANA 2000. The regional level competitions shall be held between September 17-30, the circle level between October 15-25, and Zonal finals on November 10 at Delhi for North, on November 13 at Mumbai for West, on November 16 at Chennai for South and on November 19 at Calcutta for East Zone.

OLYMPIC ISSUE RESCHEDULED

India is issuing a set of four diamond shaped stamps to mark the 27th Olympic games at Sydney, Australia. These stamps earlier were expected to be released on September 15 to coincide with the opening of the games. However the stamps shall now be issued on September 17.

Mr. Tlak De, Director (GPO), Calcutta shall be representing India Post at OLYMPHILEX 2000, Stamps & Coin Expo, being held from September 15 to 28 as a FIP World Specialized Show as a part of the Olympic games. Mr. De will get the Indian stamps released on September 17 that is the Stamp Day at OLYMPHILEX 2000. We hope the First Day Cover of these stamps postmarked at Sydney shall also be put on sale at philatelic bureaux in India.

ALSO IN THE NEWS

STAMPS FOR USE OF INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) with its headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland, which is also home of the famous Modern Olympic Museum, needs no

further introduction. Every two years IOC acts as patron to the world's biggest sporting events – the Summer Olympics and Winter Olympics.

As an international organization the IOC is entitled to its own official stamps. Under an agreement with Swiss Post a booklet of two round-shaped self-adhesive stamps to mark Sydney Olympics are being issued on September 15, 2000. Belgian artist Jean-Michel Folon designed the stamps.

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NEW ISSUES

STAMPS

Next issue: Olympic games, September 17

POSTAL STATIONERY

August 28

Inland Letter Card, Advertisement - AIDS, in Kannada, Security Printing Press (SPP)
Aerogramme, Advertisement – Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), in English & Hindi, ISP

August 29

Postcard, Advertisement - AIDS, in Kannada, SPP
Inland Letter Card, Advertisement - TVS XL Super, in English & Tamil, SPP
Inland Letter Card, Advertisement - SIDBI, in English & Hindi, ISP

August 30

Postcard, Advertisement - SIDBI, in English & Hindi, ISP

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EVENTS

LUPHILA 2000 August 26-27

We apologize for incorrect reporting in the last issue that this exhibition was postponed to March 2001. IT WAS NOT.

Mr. Suraj Jaitly, our correspondent for Punjab, reports that it was successfully held on August 26-27. Nineteen entries in Competition Class were exhibited in 52 philatelic frames.

The exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Vivek Kaul, Director Postal Services, Punjab Postal Circle on 26th. Mr. Kaul also released a special cover on Tiger Safari with a special postmark of a Tiger head. A painting competition was organized in two groups – the subjects were Road Safety and Ludhiana City & Pollution. About 300 students participated in this competition. A Seminar on “Philately – King of Hobbies” was also organized on the same day, in which about 25 students took part.

On 27th Mr. Suraj Jaitly, Vice Chairman of Luphila 2000 organized a Workshop on Philately that was attended by more than 100 students. In the evening Mr. S K Sandhu, Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana released another special cover on Horticulture Tools for Garden Lovers along with a special Souvenir that contains articles on youth philately and information about Ludhiana. He also gave away prizes to the participants. A Large Silver, ten Silver and eight bronze medals were awarded. The show was a grand success.

The set of two covers is available at Rs. 30 from Mr. Jaitly who had designed the special postmarks as well as the logo of the show. Please contact him at MIG#3464, Phase Two, Dugri Road, Ludhiana 141002 India. Tel/Fax: **91-161-563744**, Email: sjits@satyam.net.in

PUBLICATIONS

NEW ARRIVALS

INDIA'S FREEDOM STRUGGLE THROUGH INDIA POSTAGE STAMPS

Mr. Ram Vilas Paswan, Minister for Communications released this on August 17, 2000 in well-attended ceremony at Dak Bhavan. Mr. Vishnu S Saksena, former member of Postal Services Board & Additional Secretary to Government of India is the author of this interesting full color hardbound volume. The India Post has published it. The price has yet be fixed and is expected to be Rs. 500. It shall be available at all philatelic bureaux in the country shortly.

PERIODICALS RECEIVED

JPS PHILATELIC BULLETIN

April-July 2000, Whole No. 147 from Jamshedpur Philatelic Society

VADOPHIL

July 2000, Whole No. 83 from Baroda Philatelic Society

ORGANIZATIONS

PHILATELIC CONGRESS OF INDIA

The next regional meeting of the Philatelic Congress of India shall be held at General Post Office, Mumbai on October 15, 2000 at 9.30 AM. The meeting was earlier scheduled for October 8 as decided at the last meeting at New Delhi on August 17, 2000. However for unstated reasons it is moved to October 15, 2000.

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HAR GOBIND KHORANA

Palau, May 10, 2000: 20th-century Advances in Science and Medicine
1 stamp from Pane 1 of four panes of five 35¢ stamps each

Har Gobind Khorana and Robert W. Holley shared 1968 Nobel Prize for physiology or medicine for work on the elucidation of genetic code.

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