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##### JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

We have had our share of typos in this newsletter. In the last issue we have given the year of issue of the set of 6 stamps on Indian Classical Dance as 2000 instead of 1975 while reporting the new stamp packs released by India Post at INDEPEX-ASIANA 2000. It sent at least one dear friend in New Delhi running to philatelic bureau and later calling us and giving his piece of mind. To him we say, thank you for pointing out the mistake. We would be happy to receive similar feedback from all our readers whether positive or pointing out mistakes, as that helps one to improve.

We have finally succumbed to the pleasure of sharing some of the accolades this newsletter receives. Click on the link below for a selected few of Readers Feedback  
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Until next week, please enjoy the rest of the newsletter.

- M&SJ

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#### NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

##### POSTAL STRIKE ENDS

Postal strike that began on December 5, 2000 formally ended on the 14<sup>th</sup> day, although in some parts of the country it ended earlier. It will take some time to restore normalcy in all services. We received the first post strike mail on December 16. Government of India remained firm during the strike, their stand being to resolve the matter legally. The Supreme Court of India and High Court of Delhi heard the cases.

##### HELP THE DRIVE TO INCREASE READERSHIP

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NEW STAMPS RELEASED

Defense Minister George Fernandes, released the special stamp to mark the 400 years of Kunjali Marakkar, the Admirals of the Zamorin of Calicut under the Maritime Heritage series at a special function at Town Hall, Kozhikode (Calicut) on December 17, 2000. Dr. K K N Kurup, Vice Chancellor of the Calicut University presided over the function. The stamp in the denomination of Rs. 3, the inland letter post rate, depicts 'paroe', a small craft used by the Kunjalis during wars.

Sankha Samanta designed the stamp and First day Cover, priced at Rs. 2, and the pictorial first day postmark is designed by Alka Sharma. An informative brochure containing write-up and technical data, priced at Rs. 2, was also brought out on the occasion. Calcutta Security Printers Limited of Kanpur printed the stamp by photo-offset in five colors on matt chromo unwatermarked paper in the quantity of 700,000.

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PHILATELIC PRESS CLUB

The formation of the Indian Philatelic Press Club was announced at the WADP Seminar at Calcutta on December 8, 2000. We are pleased to report that the first step of getting founder members together is now over. The Memorandum of Association is ready and the rules are being framed for registering it under the Societies Registration Act as a national organization. The philatelic journalists, editors, authors, and publishers are invited to contact ippc@stampsofindia.com for membership form and details.

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##### NATIONAL PHILATELIC MUSEUM

Flavor of the month at the National Philatelic Museum New Delhi is Maxcards. 'Indian Maxim Cards' the exhibit of Ajay Kumar Mittal of New Delhi was put up on December 1, 2000 and shall remain on display till the end of the month. This is the third exhibit to be invited by the museum.

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MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCES – PART 5

O K Prakash, Secretary, Philatelic Club, Thrissur

During this month's meeting of the club, on December 3, 2000, I have informed the house the sad demise of Mr. Jatia. We have observed one-minute silence.

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ALSO IN THE NEWS

FIRST FIP GOLD FOR PAKISTAN

Muhammad Arif Y Balgamwala of Karachi, Pakistan created history by winning the very first Gold for Pakistan with his exhibit 'British Indian Airmails 1911-1939' at ESPANA 2000 World Exhibition at Madrid in October 2000. Congratulations Arif, and may it be one of the many!

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The front page of leading Marathi newspaper of North Maharashtra ' Gaonkari' on December 5, 2000 carried a write up on Gems & Jewelry issue in color, through the efforts of Shantilal Hiran, President of Nashik Philatelic & Numismatic Society and his team, congratulations and keep up the good work.

The Times of India, December 8, 2000

CITY PLAYS HOST TO ASIAN PHILATELY EXHIBITION

<http://www.timesofindia.com/081200/08mcal6.htm>

The Times of India, December 9, 2000

IF YOU CAN'T BEAT THEM, JOIN THEM By Subhro Niyogi

<http://www.timesofindia.com/091200/09mcal20.htm>

The Times of India, December 10, 2000

POST OFFICES, BANKS TO ISSUE PASSPORTS

<http://www.timesofindia.com/101200/10mcal9.htm>

PHILATELISTS LOOK FOR CORPORATE STAMP OF SUPPORT

By Subhro Niyogi

<http://www.timesofindia.com/101200/10mcal10.htm>

STAMP DEALERS' BODY FADING INTO OBLIVION

<http://www.timesofindia.com/101200/10mcal11.htm>

The Times of India, December 11, 2000

THE STAMP STORY

<http://www.timesofindia.com/111200/11mcal11.htm>

NewIndPress.com

## COASTLINE NEEDS MORE PROTECTION: FERNANDES

<http://www.newindpress.com/newsItems.asp?id=IER20001217122033&eTitle=Southern+News+%2D+Kerala&rLink=0>

## POSTAL STRIKE

Our search for news links showed nearly 200 links this week and we are unable to accommodate these here. Instead we have provided link to the yahoo news India search results obtained for with the keyword "postal".

[http://in.search.yahoo.com/search/news\\_in?p=postal&n](http://in.search.yahoo.com/search/news_in?p=postal&n)

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## RESEARCH NOTES

Manohar Lal has spent eight years, full time, at National Archives of India and other institutions researching postal history matters since his retirement as Chief Engineer of Northern Railways. He has published two books and several articles. He won a Gold for his postal stationery exhibit at London in 1990 and New Delhi in 1997.

We have been fortunate to enlist him as a regular contributor to this segment of the newsletter and are confident our readers will benefit with the first time publication of the results of his painstaking research. At present he is not available on telephone or email. We shall be happy to pass on your comments and queries to him.

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Following is gleaned from the Civil & Military Gazette, published from Lahore from the microfilms available at the Nehru Memorial Library, New Delhi.

## POSTAL HISTORY OF PAKISTAN – Part 1

### LAHORE – CALCUTTA DAILY AIR SERVICE

April 20, 1947: Indian National Airways announce that from April 23, 1947 they will extend to Lahore their daily Viking "East Indian" service now operating non stop between Delhi and Calcutta. The schedule of the new operation is as follows:

06.00 – Departure – LAHORE – Arrival -19.00

07.30 – Arrival – DELHI – Departure - 17.30

08.30 – Departure – DELHI – Arrival - 17.00

12.15 – Arrival – CALCUTTA – Departure - 13.00

### HYDERABAD – BANGALORE AIR MAIL SERVICE

April 27, 1947: The Deccan Airways Ltd. are now operating a thrice-weekly airmail service between Hyderabad (Deccan) and Bangalore. The service leaves Hyderabad in the afternoon of every Tuesday and Thursday and Leaves Bangalore on every Wednesday and Friday in the morning.

This service provides an immediate connection at Hyderabad with the Delhi – Madras airmail service run by the same company.

Surcharged inland airmail correspondence can be sent by this service at the same rates and under the same conditions as are applicable to inland airmail correspondence generally.

### INDIAN NATIONAL AIRWAYS – NEW KARACHI – CALCUTTA SERVICE

May 20, 1947, Karachi: Indian National Airways will be operating "Vikings" with 24-passenger capacity between Karachi and Calcutta next month. The new aircraft will have a cruising speed of 220 miles an hour and will reach Calcutta the same day.

### DALMIA AIRWAYS TO OPERATE BETWEEN CALCUTTA & SRINAGAR

July 17, 1947, Srinagar: The Kashmir Government has granted permission to Dalmia Airways to operate a bi-weekly chartered air service between Srinagar and Calcutta through Delhi. The service will begin towards the end of this month.

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#### MADRAS – COCHIN AIR SERVICE

July 29, 1947, Ernakulam: From August 1, 1947 the present air service between Cochin and Madras will be increased from five to six times a week and from October 1, 1947 next there will be daily service with an additional halt at Coimbatore, according to N B Menon of Tata Airlines who arrived here after making necessary arrangements at Trivandrum.

#### INDIA POSTAGE STAMPS TO BE RECOGNISED IN BOTH DOMINIONS TILL OCTOBER 1, 1947

August 12, 1947, New Delhi: The existing postage rates are to continue to operate in both Dominions between the transfer of power on August 15, 1947 and March 31, 1948, says a Press Communiqué.

During this period, the exchange of postal traffic will also be governed by the arrangement that exist today. There will also be no restriction on the sale of Indian Postal orders, National Savings Certificates or on the issue of Money Orders or the booking of Registered and Insured mail of V P P articles.

India Postage Stamps will be recognized in both Dominions till October 1, 1947. With effect from October 1, 1947, arrangements will be made to establish appropriate offices of exchange at border towns through which all accountable articles like money orders, registered and insured articles and value payable parcels and articles will pass, the exchange being on International or Empire basis.

#### AIR ROUTES TO BE RE-DIVDED

August 21, Karachi: With the partition of the country all air contracts between the Government of India and other parties concerned have lapsed, it is learnt. All air routes will be re-divided in the near future. The Oriental Air Service is contemplating a non-stop daily air service between Dacca and Karachi to link the capitals of Eastern Pakistan with the center.

#### AMRITSAR TO BE INCLUDED IN INDIAN NATIONAL AIRWAYS DELHI-LAHORE SERVICE

The Indian National Airways have decided to include Amritsar in their daily service between Delhi and Lahore with effect from August 31, 1947

#### DESPATCH AIR MAIL ARTICLES

August 30, 1947, New Delhi: All air services that are being run to Lahore Rawalpindi, Amritsar and Srinagar for evacuation purpose will be utilized for the dispatch of air mail articles to these places, says a Press Note. Letters should bear the usual blue airmail label and extra postage to cover airmail charges.

#### ADVERTISEMENT - INDIAN NATIONAL AIRWAYS

September 9, 1947: An announcement. Indian National Airways are now operating the following services:

1. Three daily services between Delhi and Lahore in either direction.
2. Daily service between Delhi and Rawalpindi in either direction.
3. Daily service between Delhi and Karachi in either direction.
4. Daily service between Delhi and Calcutta in either direction.

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#### ISSUES

##### STAMPS

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/Content/Issues/Stamps/a201-2000.htm>

December 17, 2000

Maritime Heritage: Kunjali Marakkar, Rs. 3

Next Issue:

December 28, 2000

Ustad Hafiz Ali Khan, Music Maestro

##### POSTAL STATIONERY

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/Content/Issues/Stationery/a202.htm>

December 1, 2000 – Available on December 18, 2000

Post Card with Advertisement

- State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur, in Hindi, ISP

December 20, 2000

Inland Letter Card with Advertisement

- Cleanliness, in Punjabi, CSP

##### POSTMARKS

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/Content/Issues/Postmarks/a203.htm>

##### ARMY POSTAL SERVICE – SPECIAL COVER & POSTMARK

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December 28, 2000

Maratha Light Infantry Center, Belgaum

##### OTHER ITEMS

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/Content/Issues/Others/a205.htm>  
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##### EVENTS

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##### THEMATIC SHOW AT BANGALORE

The weeklong thematic stamp exhibition held in Malleshwaram Education Society (MES) College, Bangalore from December 11 to 16, 2000 and was open to public from 10 am to 3.30 pm. The exhibition was a joint effort by the M E S College and Ms Keerthi Sangoram Memorial Foundation. Dr R G Sangoram exhibited a different thematic exhibit on each of the five days, and said he welcomed any philatelic material on the themes exhibited either for sale or exchange, as he wanted to expand his collections.

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> the theme for the day was "Our Solar System." This theme seemed very popular with teachers and students alike, as many teachers came along with their students to see the exhibition. As Karthik from seventh standard, M.E.S.

Kishore Kendra School said, "it was very nice to see pictures of the planets, comets and other things we learn in our science text books and I never knew stamps were issued on such topics."

There was no exhibition on Tuesday, December 12, due to the passing away of the former Chief Minister of Karnataka J H Patel, schools and colleges were closed.

On Wednesday the 13th the theme for the day was "Space programs." The long queue of students waiting to see the exhibition was proof of the popularity of stamps. Stamps, first day covers, miniature sheets and other philatelic material were used to illustrate various aspects of space programs. There were topics like telescopes, space missions and even the mythology associated with solar system. A maximum card on G S Titov seemed to be the most popular item in the exhibition. The school children seemed to love the space mission stamps and were even taking down notes.

Thursday 's theme was "Communication". The various stamps, and philatelic material attracted non-philatelists as well. One thing that was most evident was that miniature sheets are the most popular philatelic item among children.

Friday the 15th had the theme of "Nobel laureates." It was surprising that many people who had come to the exhibition knew the names, dates and categories of the Nobel Prize winners by heart. This must be the effect of Kaun Banega Crorepati (see our disclaimer at the end of this newsletter). But whatever it was it proved to be beneficial to philately as this exhibition was very popular. Not only that but the young visitors commented that it was previously unheard of theme in their school circles and one, which they are going to actively pursue. According to a young visitor 'Alfred Nobel' stamp was the best thing in the whole exhibition.

Saturday had the theme of minerals and birds. This theme according to the visitors to the exhibition was very informative and educative. The stamps from other countries seemed to attract the most attention. Children seemed to think that all stamps from any country other than India is "rare".

Each day a written quiz was given on the topic of the day and useful books as prizes were distributed. There was also an overall prize given on Saturday. The second prize was a science book won by Avinash V of first P.U.C. The first prize was a cup won by Balaji also of first P.U.C.

The exhibition was very helpful in creating awareness about both stamps and science. There was also a one-frame exhibit on the theme of " India." Overall, the exhibition was a great success among students. It was a fitting tribute to Kirthi Sangoram who was an ardent philatelist and her special interest was in the solar system and comets. There was a visitor's book kept for comments on the exhibition and the pages were filled with appreciation about the exhibition.

- Shilpa Kannan, Our correspondent for Karnataka

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Available from Indian Stamp Company, Chhipi Tank, Begum Bridge Road, Meerut 250001

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Philatelic Club is a leading philatelic and numismatic club in Kerala. We have spot auctions in our monthly meeting. We have a journal "The Philatelist" that won a bronze medal in the last international held in New Delhi in 1997. We are conducting regular Postal auctions. There are a number of Cochin, Travancore and T-C collectors therefore our auctions give importance to this area.

## DELHI INTERNATIONAL STAMP CLUB

DISC held its monthly meeting on the third Saturday of the month, December 16, 2000 at the Maria Bhavan, Sacred Heart Cathedral, New Delhi from 5 to 6 pm. Bharat Kapur conducted the meeting in the absence of Brahm Mehta, the Secretary of the club. Only 8 members and guests were present and discussion centered around recently concluded INDEPEX-ASIANA 2000.

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READERS FORUM

Charles Bromser from Australia [chaste@switchboard.net](mailto:chaste@switchboard.net)  
We are putting together a Social Exhibit (Open class) called "Movers & Shakers of the Millennium". It looks at the 100 most important people from 1000-2000. Since it will be in the Social Philately class we need to include about 1/3 non-philatelic items. Maybe you can help us find items for the new exhibit.

SO WE NEED: ephemera, postcards, trade cards, tobacco card, matchbox labels, coins, medal, medallions, banknotes, newspaper clippings, etc., as well as mint stamps (light hinge is ok for pre 1950), revenues, artist sketches, proofs, essays, specimens, errors, perf varieties, coils, perfins, framas, booklets, special cancellations, meter cancellations, ships' cancels, field posts, air-mails, ballon monte, stratosballoon, zeppelin, rocket-mails, crash covers, postal stationery

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[www.olympphil.com](http://www.olympphil.com) NATIONAL GAMES PHILATELIC EXHIBITION

On September 29, 2000 an email was sent to Suraj Jaitly "OPI plans to organize a sports stamps show as a part of the next national games at Ludhiana in March 2001. We are in touch with Indian Olympic Association in this regard and hope to finalize plans in October itself."

Jaitly on December 12, 2000 announced an exhibition on his own "We are pleased to inform that Indian Thematic Society is going to organise a National Level Philatelic Exhibition "Sportphilex - 2000" at Ludhiana during the month of March, 2001 to commemorate National Sports Meet in Punjab. This exhibition will be organised with the co-operation of concerned Authorities. This will be a thematic exhibition only on Sports & its different activities. Final dates along with other detailed programme will be circulated shortly after finalisation. So get ready to take part in this exhibition with your exhibits on different Sports. We are also going to call International Award Winning Exhibits on this Topic, from Overseas Collectors in its Invitee Section. Co-operation from all of you is solicited to make this event a great success."

While we wish him best of luck, we also wish to clarify that we do not have any connection with this show and are carrying on with the preparations of the National Games Philatelic Exhibition with the approval of Indian Olympic Association.  
- Rajesh Varma, Secretary General, Olympic Philatelists of India

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