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JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

Eugene Kelton in response to our jottings in the issue # 232 of August 4, 2005, writes that "Linn's is not the only weekly philatelic magazine in the US. 'Mekeel's & Stamps' is a weekly magazine which combines the remnants of Mekeel's magazine and STAMPS magazine. Both were once major philatelic publications; this is what is left and I am happy that at least this much survives".

While we are thankful to Eugene for response and the information, we would like to ask you all once again to let us know if there are any other philatelic weeklies besides Linn's and Mekeel's & Stamps that are still in print in any language?

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue: Ashok Kumar Tiwary and Xinhua.

We invite your inputs, please email to "writeback at stampsofindia.com"

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Better still, forward a copy of this issue. Also, please mention this
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Report the philatelic activities in your area for publication here. We
shall reimburse the costs incurred on images, philatelic items issued,
publications, courier and other agreed charges.

Please send your queries in detail (images welcome) on all matters
related to Philately and Postal History of India and Indian States. We
will attempt to find an answer for you.

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FORTHCOMING STAMP ISSUES

Aug 31: State Bank of India, Rs 15

The issue along with the First Day Cover and the information sheet, at  
Rs 2 each, shall be available on sale at nearly 1000 selected Post  
Offices including all Philatelic Bureaus and Philatelic Counters in the  
country.

For an illustrated list of stamps in 2005, please visit  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/2005stamps.htm>

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RAKHI ENVELOPES UPDATE

Rakhi envelopes are now reported from the following places:

Andaman & Nicobar Islands:

Same as 2004, Hand-stamp Overprint on First Day covers, Rs 2

Bihar:

Same as 2004, 2 colors Blue and pink, Rs 2 each

Delhi:

1 design by the stamp designer Kamleshwar Singh, Rs 3

Gujarat:

1 design, Rs 2

Jharkhand:

Same as 2004, 2 colors Blue and pink, Rs 2 each

Maharashtra:

Same as 2004, 2 colors Blue and pink, Rs 2 each

North Bengal & Sikkim:

2 designs, Rs 2 each

Rajasthan:

2 designs, Rs 2 each

Uttar Pradesh:

1 design, Rs 2

Andhra Pradesh:

Information wanted

For an illustrated list of rakhi envelopes in 2005, please visit

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/rakhi.htm>

NEW MEGHDOOT POSTCARDS

Following Meghdoot post cards with advertisement were recently released:

Apr 00: Petroleum Conservation Research Association,
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Apr 00: Petroleum Conservation Research Association,
Revised numbers 127-131

The complete illustrated list of Meghdoot Post Card is available at:

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/meghdoot.htm>

ARMY POSTAL SERVICE ISSUES

Aug 15: Operationalisation Day HQ South Western Command

For an illustrated list of Army Postal Service issues in 2005, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/2005pmk.htm>

RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Feb 01: Pune, 150 Years of Pune Institute of Engineering & Technology

For an illustrated list of special postmarks and covers in 2005, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/2005pm.htm>

ROHINI ANDAHRE POSTAL AUCTION

The catalogs for the Rohini Andhare Postal Auction Sale / Buy No. 6 have now been mailed. The sale closes on September 28, 2005. There are 3300 lots covering Pre Stamp Period Postal History Pre and Post Stamps Errors Pre and Post, Indian States, Fiscals, Cinderella, Foreign and thematic.

For the first time bidders can buy for full price on first come first serve basis without waiting for September 28, 2005.

The auctioneers may be contacted at by email crandhare@yahoo.com or by post at Behind Luthra Hospital, Post Box No. 2, Bilaspur 495001 and over phone at 07752 227516, 07752 508310 or 0 98266 44060 (Mobile).

OUTSTANDING BAHAWALPUR AT AUCTION

Prestige Philately Pty Ltd of Australia info@prestigephilately.com is offering an outstanding collection of Bahawalpur at a public auction in Melbourne on October 8, 2005. The deluxe full color catalog is available at A\$25, US \$20, or GB Pound Sterling 10.

PHILATELIC WORKSHOP AT MUZAFFARPUR

A philatelic workshop was organized at Adarsh Vidya Niketan School, Muzaffarpur (Bihar) on August 6, 2005. Beside the staff of philatelic bureau Muzaffarpur, the resident philatelists Shyam Sunder Suraka and and P K Mallick took active role in the workshop, which was attended by more than 200 students who were told about philately and its advantages.

JAMSHEDPUR PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETS

Monthly meeting of Jamshedpur Philatelic Society (JPS) was held in the evening of August 14, 2005 at the residence of JPS member Satyajit Roy. Beside the members of JPS, bdul Aziz, well known stamp dealer from Varanasi also attended the meeting as special invitee.

Members were informed about new & forthcoming stamp issue, forthcoming exhibitions, and news from the other parts of the country. JPS Secretary Ashok Tiwary informed the members about decision on the PCI case. Guru Granth issue was also discussed in the meeting. Finally Ansari told members about the way to get philatelic materials through internet auctions. Meeting concluded after high tea offered by the host.

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STAMP PACKS

Further to our report in Issue # 230 of July 21, 2005 regarding the sale by the postmen of special stamp packets, costing Rs 100 and Rs 200, containing postal stamps in the denomination of Rs 5, we wish to report that at present the scheme is introduced only in Tamilnadu Circle of India Post and is not available on an All India basis.

The images are available at:

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/packs/misc-packs.htm>

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Aug 25: Jabalpur, Army Postal Service

August 25-26: Kotdwara PAURIPLEX District level

Sep 2-4: Tirupur, Stamps & Coins
Contact: C Palaneswamy 0421 2439131

Sep: Dimapur, Army Postal Service

Oct: New Delhi, Army Postal Service

Nov: Jalandhar, Army Postal Service

Dec: Jammu, Army Postal Service

Dec 18-20: Kolkata, State Level

Jan 2006: Kolkata, Army Postal Service

Feb 2006: Hyderabad, Army Postal Service

Mar 2006: Kamptee, Army Postal Service

For a list of exhibitions in 2005, please visit
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/events.htm>

MEETINGS

The schedule of meetings of the philatelic organizations in India is available at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/clubmeet.htm>

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RECENT PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS

AJAIMERU PHILA VISION, Whole # 1 - Jun 2005, Bimonthly

Editor: Anil Kumar Jain

Publisher: Ajaimeru Philatelic Society

Address: Sahu Sadan, Street No. 6, Ram Nagar, Pushkar Road, Ajmer

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POSTAL STRIKE IN MANIPUR

Postal service in the entire state of Manipur has been disrupted with the commencement of indefinite cease work strike launched by All India Postal Employees' Union on August 16, 2005. The postal employees in

Manipur postal division are protesting against the arrest and detention of a postman for five days in the Imphal city police custody.

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15/B/56, Manish Nagar, Four Bunglows, Andheri(west), Mumbai 400053.

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<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/laws.htm>

Report Cyber Crime & Internet Fraud related to Indian Philately  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>

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ALSO IN THE NEWS

STAMPS TO MARK OPENING OF DISNEYLAND IN HONG KONG

Hong Kong Post will issue a set of four commemorative stamps, a souvenir sheet, a stamp sheetlet and a gold-foiled stamp sheetlet to mark the grand opening of Hong Kong Disneyland on September 12, 2005.

A Souvenir Pack will also be available, containing a set of the "Hong Kong Disneyland" stamps issued in 2003 to commemorate the ground breaking, together with a set of the new "Hong Kong Disneyland Grand Opening" stamps and a gold-foiled stamp sheetlet.

The set of special stamps consists of views of four themed lands familiar to Disney lovers worldwide. The stamps feature Disney's version of Main Street, USA, the wonders of Fantasyland, an enticing view of Adventureland and the world's favorite mouse, Mickey of course.

The stamps and stamp sheetlets are designed by Walt Disney Imagineering and printed in lithography by Cartor Security Printing, France.

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NEWSSCAN

<We invite you to contribute clippings on philatelic and postal matters, from other print and electronic publications, for inclusion here>

WEB SITE UPDATES

STAMPS OF INDIA <http://www.stampsofindia.com>  
The Hub Site of Indian Philately

PRINCELY STATES REPORT <http://www.princelystates.com>  
Journal of Indian States History, Philately & Numismatics

STAMPS ON INDIA <http://www.stampsonindia.com>  
The site devoted to the stamps from all over the world on Indian topics

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