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JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

The new philatelic season is here. We hope to successfully cope with  
scores of stamp issues and stamp exhibitions that will appear in the  
five months from October to February.

It is that time of the year when we travel a great deal to stamp  
exhibitions, not to all but in all parts of India, and meet old friends  
and form new friendships. The traveling also means delayed issues  
sometimes of this digital weekly and our apologies in advance for the  
same.

Have you made your plans as yet so that we may catch up with you  
sometime, some where?

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue: Abhai Mishra,  
Raj Kumar R, and Ajit Kumar Dash.

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

If you've found this newsletter useful, recommend it to a friend. Better still, forward a copy of this issue. Also, please mention this newsletter when contacting other philatelists.

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

Oct 01: M Chettiar, Rs 5
Oct 01: Pratap Singh Kairon, Rs 5
Oct 02: Soundram, Rs 5

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

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POSTAL STATIONARY NEW ISSUES

There was no new stationery, except Meghdoot postcards that is reported separately, issued during September 2005.

The following postal stationery with advertisement is scheduled for release in October 2005.

The information in the listing is presented in following format:  
Date, Printer, Language, Message, Quantity in million, Remarks  
'M' denotes multicolor printing.

Inland Letter Card

Oct 03: Tamil, SPP, AIDS, 1

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

Post Card

Oct 31: Kannada, SPP, xxxxx, 1

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

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RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Sep 17: Machlipatnam, KRISHNAPEX district level philatelic exhibition

Sept 21: Bhubaneswar, Major S C Mohanty, 50 covers only
Bijoy Kumar Biswal a philatelist prepared a mourning cover in memory of Major Mohanty whose one of many collections was on United Nations. This cover is therefore used on September 21, 2005 on United Nations International Peace Day

Sep 23-25: Udaipur, UDAIPEX district level philatelic exhibition

Sep 27: Jaipur, SCHOOLPEX 10th Inter School philatelic exhibition

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

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MORE STAMP PACKS

Uttarachal Circle of India Post released a stamp Pack priced at Rs 100 containing 20 stamps in the denomination of Rs 5. These are carried by Postmen for sale while delivering mails.

The images are available at:

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

Rakhi envelopes are now reported from the following places:

Andhra Pradesh: 1 design, Rs 2

Orissa: 1 design, Rs 2

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

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/rakhi.htm>
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JAMSHEDPUR PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Jamshedpur Philatelic Society was held at the residence of JPS member P S Nath on September 11, 2005. At the beginning of the meeting two minutes silence was observed to pay respect to the recently departed great philatelists P Gupta and Major S C Mohanty who had contributed a lot towards the promotion of Philately in India especially amongst the school children.

The recent stamp issue program of India Post was discussed. The members have taken a serious view that there is not even a single stamp relating to Jharkhand and although a lot of proposals have already been submitted to India Post for consideration but do not find place in the said program. It has been decided to highlight this in appropriate forum.

The Guru Granth Saheb stamp and miniature sheet that is not yet officially released was also discussed. The members were of the view that India Post should neither declare these as illegal or unauthorized nor ban its usage in prepayment of postage and inclusion in philatelic exhibits. Whatever stamps and miniature sheets that are in circulation have been fully paid for and obtained by the public including philatelists from the post offices.

The meeting concluded with high tea offered by the host. As the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday falls on the festival day, the meeting for the month of October is rescheduled to October 16, 2005 at the office of Rahul De, Shova International, Vistupur.  
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PHILATELIC WORKSHOP AT BHUBANESWAR

A Philatelic Workshop was organized by the Postal Department on 26.09.2005 at DAV Public School, Pokhariput, Bhubaneswar as scheduled. The Workshop was inaugurated by the Chaiman of DAV Schools, Orissa. Senior Philatelists Mr. B.K.Sinha, Ajit Kumar Dash, Anil Kumar Dhir and Anup Kumar Raut attended the work shop and explained with practical demonstration about the procedure of collection, preservation of stamps, how to take care of them and how to display in an exhibition. At last a Philatelic Quiz competition was also held amongst the students. About 50 students attended the workshop. The DPS Mr Suvendu Swain, IPS of Bhubaneswar Circle presided over the Velidictory Sessions and distributed prizes to the students.
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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sep: Dimapur, Army Postal Service

Oct 3-4: Jodhpur, district level  
Oct: New Delhi, Army Postal Service  
Oct 15-16: Jalandhar, district level  
Venue: KL Sehgal Hall, Jalandhar  
Oct 22-23: Dhenkanal, district level  
Oct: Delhi, East District,  
Nov 13-14: Ludhiana  
Nov: Muzaffarpur, district level  
Nov: Jamshedpur, district level  
Nov: Jalandhar, Army Postal Service  
Dec: Jammu, Army Postal Service  
Dec 17-19: Kolkata, State Level, NEW DATES  
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>

#### RECENT PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS

ITS STAMPS NEWS, Whole # 31 - Jul Sep 2005, Quarterly  
Editor: Suraj Jaitly  
Publisher: Indian Thematic Society  
Address: MIG # 3464, Phase 2, Dugri Road, Ludiana 141013  
Annual Subscription including membership: Rs.130 or US\$ 8

For a list of Indian periodicals, please visit  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/a602.htm>

#### NEW FIAP JURY FROM NEPAL

Shyam Prasad Nhuchhe Pradhan had successfully completed FIAP Jury Apprenticeship in the class of Postal Stationery at the TAIPEI 2005, 18th Asian International Stamp Exhibition held at Taipei on August 19-24, 2005. Pradhan is now an FIAP Accredited Jury.

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Contact: [mafatlal2@rediffmail.com](mailto:mafatlal2@rediffmail.com) phone: 022 26353771

Guru Granth Saheb Stamp, Miniature Sheet, Sheetlet, mint and used on cover, Also Brochure. Contact A R C SHAH, A-20 Gujarat Apartments, Pitampura, Delhi 110034, Tel 0 9810179095

A collector wants to sell Eight Different Customized Covers issued by Department of Posts. A collector wants buy miniature sheet of Sangeet Natak Academy. Contact: PRADEEP KUMAR AGRAWAL [pradipphila@hotmail.com](mailto:pradipphila@hotmail.com) 16a, Arya Kumar Road; Rajendra Nagar; Patna 800016; Mobile: 094310 11595

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VIEWS & OPINIONS

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PRADEEP WAHI

We have recently lost eminent philatelists, who have spent lifetimes in promoting this excellent hobby. Just as we honor eminent Indians with a postage stamp release, I do not think it is too much to expect that a deceased eminent philatelist be so honored.

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FEATURES & RESOURCES

Indian Laws Relevant to Philately  
<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

BRITISH CRICKET VICTORY STAMPS

British Royal Mail is releasing a set of four stamps on October 6, 2005 to commemorate the recent victory of its Cricket Team over Australia, the first in 18 years.

The stamps are being issued in 1st Class and 68 pence, 2 of each denomination, and depict images of the England Cricket Team. It is the first time recognizable living people other than members of the British royal family have featured on British stamps.

The stamps feature players celebrating as Michael Vaughan holds the Ashes urn aloft, Captain Pietersen and player of the series Andrew Flintoff celebrating the wicket of Adam Gilchrist on the opening day of the first Test, the teams in action, and Vaughan running with bat in hand.

Royal Mail also issued stamps to mark England's rugby union World Cup victory in 2003 and London's successful bid for the 2012 Olympics, though neither featured individuals.

In July 2005, golfer Jack Nicklaus became the first living non-royal to feature on a British banknote when Royal Bank of Scotland Group Plc released a 5-pound note to commemorate his final professional appearance in the British Open at St. Andrews.

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<We invite you to contribute clippings on philatelic and postal matters, from other print and electronic publications, for inclusion here>  
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The site devoted to the stamps from all over the world on Indian topics

INDIAN POSTAL GUIDE 1869

The first issue of the official postal guide, reprinted by Stamps of India 2004, 236 pages, hardbound, enlarged from original octavo to A4 size, limited edition, Special price - Rs 2750 post paid worldwide.

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