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JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

Recently and successfully concluded world stamp exhibition 'Saint Petersburg 2007' was truly a world event in more ways than one. A small and highly efficient core team of Russians led by Alexei Borodiin, the Commissioner General & Jury, was ably supported by national commissioners from various countries not only in mounting and dismounting the exhibits but also in manning the Bin room for receiving and returning them. Earlier Singapore helped in receiving and processing entry forms for this show that was mounted from start to finish in less than a year.

We think this may be the way to go for the philatelic events in future.

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

- M&SJ

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAINT PETERSBURG 2007 WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION

Saint Petersburg 2007 world stamp exhibition was held from June 19 to 25, 2007 at St Petersburg, Russia.

The Jury from India was M G Pittie, and the National Commissioner for India was Madhukar Jhingan. India had a cent per cent success with all exhibits receiving a medal. Three exhibits have improved their performance since the last world philatelic exhibition 'Espana 06'. The awards for Indian participants are as follows:

Vermeil Medal: Anil Suri's 'Fiscals of Alwar'

Silver Medal: Ashok Kumar Bayanwala's A Bouquet of Philatelic Articles

Silver Bronze Medal : Yogini Jhingan's 'Holograms', Padmini Balan's 'Window to Philately', Sangeeta Deogwanka's 'Stamp Collecting Today' Surendra Kotadia's India Inland Postcards with Advertisements and Slogans, Surendra Kotadia's India Inland Lettercards with Advertisements and Slogans, and Surendra Kotadia's India Airmail Lettercards with Advertisements and Slogans

Bronze Medal: Prachi Gupta's 'Expressions', Angeet Suri's 'British Army Uniforms', Savita Jhingan's 'India's Ungummed Definitives', Raj Kumar Sultania's 'Express Delivery Envelopes Used As Ordinary Envelopes, and Anjali Datta's 'Journal of the Army Philatelic Society'.

India Post had a sales booth managed by Assistant Director General in the Philatelic Division of the India Post HQ - Hena Usaman and Director of Postal Services, Kolkata Region of West Bengal Postal Circle - Sachin Kishore. A special postmark was also provided at the booth.

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FORTHCOMING STAMP ISSUES

Next Issue sometime in July 2007

New issues along with the First Day Cover and the information sheet, at Rs 2 each, are put on sale on sale at nearly 1000 selected Post Offices including all Philatelic Bureaus and Philatelic Counters in India.

For an illustrated list of stamps in 2007, please visit
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NEW POSTAL STATIONERY

Following Meghdoot post cards with advertisement were recently released:

- TB, Hindi & English
- Iodized Salt, Hindi & English
- Don't Smoke, Hindi & English
- Anti Tobacco, Hindi & English
- Central Warehousing Corp, English

Central Warehousing Corp, Hindi  
AIDS, Hindi  
AIDS, Hindi

The grand total till date is now 413, with 137 added in 2007 alone.

The complete illustrated list of Meghdoot Post Card is available at:  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/meghdoot.htm>

Following post card with advertisement was recently released:

Apr 27, Adult Education, Telugu  
Apr 27, Adult Education, Hindi

For an illustrated list of all kinds of Postcards in 2007, visit  
<http://stampsofindia.com/lists/2007PC.htm>

Following Inland Letter card with advertisement was recently released:

Apr 27, Adult Education, Kannada

For an illustrated list of Aerogramme & Inland Letter in 2007, visit  
<http://stampsofindia.com/lists/2007ILC.htm>

For an illustrated list of all kinds of Envelopes in 2007, visit  
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RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Jun 19-25: Saint Petersburg, India Post Booth at World Stamp Exhibition

For an illustrated list of Special Postmarks & Covers in 2007, visit
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For an illustrated list of Army Postal Service Issues in 2007, visit
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KOREA SINGAPORE JOINT ISSUE

Korea and Singapore in their Joint Issue on March 30, 2007 featuring Traditional Wedding Costumes have one stamp devoted to Indian Wedding Costume. There are in all 8 stamp designs, 4 for each country. The stamps are produced in sheetlets of 16 by both the countries. Singapore additionally issued a miniature of 8 stamps as well.

Visit <http://stampsonindia.com/nir001.htm> for the images  
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WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PHILATELY

Edouard Dayan, Director General of Universal Postal Union (UPU) and Igor Arkadieievitch Syrtsov, Director General of Russia Post opened the Eighth General Assembly of the World Association for the Development of Philately (WADP) on June 21, 2007 at St. Petersburg, Russia.

Raul Moreira, Director Philately of Portugal Post and the Chairman of WADP conducted the meeting that was attended by Ingomar Walter, President of the International Federation of Stamp Dealers Associations (IFSDA), Jean-Pierre Hardy, the Secretary General of the Association of Stamp Catalog Publishers (ASCAT), Beatrice Klose, the Secretary General

of Intergraf - an association of security printers, Ken McKeown Director of the Markets Development Directorate, and Jean-Francois Logette, Project Manager - Philately, both from the International Bureau of UPU, and representatives from over 20 postal administrations.

Dr Wolfgang Maassen, the President of the International Association of the Philatelic Journalists (AIJP) could not make it to this General Assembly and on his behalf Madhukar Jhingan, AIJP's Continental Representative for Asia, gave a report on the activities of the AIJP. India Post was represented by its Chief of the Philatelic Division - Kaveri Banerji.

The day long assembly reviewed the activities undertaken since 23rd UPU Congress in 2004 and discussed UPU Philately Development Plan and Plan of training programs for 2007-2008. UPU presented the results of its survey of the world stamp market which we will cover in detail in the next issue.

Belgium, France, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, and Spain gave presentations on Joint Stamp Issues.

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FAKES FORGERIES EXPERTS #10

Fakes Forgeries Experts Journal #10 for March 2007 was released recently. Edited by former President of International Philatelic Federation (FIP), Knud Mohr, this issue has 20 scholarly articles on 190 pages. In addition it has a very useful cumulative subject index for issues 1 to 10, an author index, a literature review, new members of International Association of Philatelic Experts (AIEP), besides forewords from the president of AIEP and the President of FIP Jos Wollf.

Of special interest to the readers of this digital weekly are two articles, The Forgeries of Poonch by former president of AIEP, Wolfgang Hellrigl and How to Discern Flown Covers from Not Flown Covers by Igor Rodin. Later deals with Space Mail and also covers India USSR Joint Flight of 1984.

This issue priced at Euro 50 can be ordered at [www.ffejourn.com](http://www.ffejourn.com)

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

May 15-Jun 14: New Delhi, Exhibition of Stamps on Nature

Aug 10-12: Bangalore, KARNAPEX,
Exhibitors Apply before July 20, 2007

For a list of exhibitions in 2007, please visit
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MEETINGS

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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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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. Credit cards accepted <http://www.stampsofindia.com/99999.htm>

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