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## **Jhingans Jottings**

Hi

The reverse count has begun, on February 12, 2011 the World Stamp Exhibition INDIPEX 2011 will be inaugurated. A lot of philatelic activities are taking place in the run up to the exhibition and besides the judges and the commissioners many international philatelists are expected to visit Delhi.

We hope that the buzz that SINE created in December shall continue with equal fervor during the International Exhibition and bring more and more new collectors to its fold.

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue:

# We invite your inputs

#### **Stamp Popularity Poll**

Stamps of India now present the Stamp Poll 2010 to select the best stamp of 2010, and best miniature sheet of 2010. As only 1 sheetlet was issued in 2010 there will not be a poll for the sheetlets this time.

The results shall be announced based on the most number of votes polled. You can send as many ballots as you wish. Please select from the issues of 2010 as shown at http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/stamps/2010stamps.htm and vote for the best stamp, an d miniature sheet of 2010 in your opinion. Also write your name, city, email id, and philatelic interests on the ballot and email your ballots to: stamppoll@stampsofindia.com

The last date to receive the ballots at Stamps of India is February 16, 2010. Incomplete ballots shall not be considered. The results will be announced in the Issue #458 of February 17, 2009. Several attractive philatelic prizes will be given away. The winners will be decided by draw of lots. We welcome the sponsors for prizes, please contact admin@stampsofindia.com in this regard.

# Booking Opens Online for Gandhi Stamp on Cloth

India Post has started taking orders for the souvenir sheet containing 1 stamp in the denomination of Rs 100 depicting Mahatma Gandhi, since January 5, 2011. We understand that this item will only be available in a Presentation Pack priced at Rs 250 or US\$5. There is a limit of only 10 packs per person. The items may either be pre-ordered online at http://www.indipex2011.com/?page\_id=381 or by post to A S Kala, INDIPEX 2011 Secretariat, Room 523 B, Dak Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001 (Phone: +91 9868445888). The deliveries would start from 12th February 2011.

There is an option to collect the packs during and at INDIPEX 2011. The orders may also be fulfilled by speed post within India and by registered airmail overseas for which an additional charge of Rs 25 or US\$ 2 per order is applicable.

This issue is expected to be produced in the quantity of 100,000.

## **Forthcoming Stamp Issues**

Jan 15: Doot - Gujarati Monthly Jan 27: Krishnadevaraya

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

Now days, issues are scheduled and rescheduled for release at very short notice say couple of days! Thus it is impossible to inform our readers thru this weekly publication about forthcoming stamp issues of India. We however do our best to publish this information on the home page of <u>www.stampsofindia.com</u> as soon as it becomes available.

# ILLUSTRATED LISTS Stamps 2010

#### **New Special Postmarks & Covers**

Jan 05: Karnataka University Campus Kamlapura, Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary - Introduction of Permanent Pictorial Postmark Jan 06: Tharalu, 26th Scout Guide Jamborette of Karnataka Jan 11: Vadodara, 150 Years of arrival of train at Vadodara (1861-2011)

# ILLUSTRATED LISTS Postmarks 2010

#### Army Postal Service Issues

Oct 01: 108 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) Mahar Golden Jubilee Oct 01: 107 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) 11Gorkha Rifles Golden Jubilee Oct 01: 106 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) Parachute Regiment Golden Jubilee Oct 01: 117 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) The Guards Golden Jubilee Oct 15: 14th Battalion The Assam Regiment Silver Jubilee Oct 19: Standard Presentation to 31 Armoured Division Oct 23: 5th Battalion The Grenadiers Golden Jubilee Oct 30: 415 (Independent) Engineer Squadron Silver Jubilee

## ILLUSTRATED LISTS Army Postal Service Issues

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## New Issues Availability Status

AWAITED 2008: Aldabra Giant Tortoise, Miniature Sheet 2009: Heritage Jain Temples, Miniature Sheet

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <u>Aerogramme & Inland Letter Card |Envelopes | Postcards |</u> Meghdoot Post Card

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# INDIPEX 2011 Update

## My Stamp

More details are now available about the personalized stamps being introduced by India Post at INDIPEX 2011. 'My Stamp' as these are referred to India Post will be available in a A4 size sheet of 12 stamps. The sheets will be available in 17 varieties - Trains, Aeroplanes, Wildlife, Panchatantra, Taj Mahal, and 12 different Sun Signs.

## **Centenary Re-enactment Flight**

The Centenary of the First Official Airmail Flight that took place in India on February 18, 1911 is being celebrated during INDIPEX 2011. Following the tradition of re-enactment flights during Golden Jubilee and Platinum Jubilee celebrations in 1961 and 1986, a ceremonial flight would take place on February 12, 2011 from Allahabad to Naini commemorating the 100 years of the Airmail flight. The flight would carry about 5000 First Day Special Covers with special postmark.

## **Philatelic Passport**

India Post has announced that a philatelic passport will also be issued during INDIPEX 2011.

#### **Auction Action**

A remarkable cover from India to Ireland with all 4 stamps of India's First Issues of 1854 was sold for GBP 117,090 about INR 8.39 million at the Spink in its auction sale in London of January 12, 2010.

India's famous Inverted Head was also sold at the same auction for GBP 93,690 about INR 6.65 million.

## **Recent Philatelic Periodicals**

Indian philatelic periodicals

ILLUSTRATED LISTS Max Cards 2010 | First Day Covers 2010

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# **Stamps of India Online Offers**

Stamps of India now bring you useful and unique philatelic items fulfilling a long standing demand of subscribers and friends. These philatelic items can be viewed online and several easy options to make the payment are provided.

#### **Forgeries & Frauds Alerts**

If you detect forgeries and frauds of Indian philatelic items, report to <u>suspect@stampsofindia.com</u>. The names of volunteers and contributors will not be published, if so desired.

## **Advertisements Tariff**

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**Recent & Forthcoming Events** 

Jan 11-13: Vadodara, Non Competitive Philatelic Exhibition on the theme of 'Railways' As a part of celebration of 150 Years of arrival of train at Vadodara (1861-2011) Organizers: Vadodara Division of Western Railway Venue: Railway Auditorium, Pratapnagar, Vadodara Contact: Prashant Pandya +919879571179 for exhibiting their collection on 'Railway' theme Issues: A special cover and postmark will also be released on Jan 11, 2011

# Feb 12-14: New Delhi, STAMP COLLECTORS' MEET

Timings: Feb 12 Saturday - 12 noon to 6pm, Feb 13 Sunday – 12 noon to 3 pm, Feb 13 Sunday – 3.30 pm onwards Auction, Feb 14 Monday – 12 noon to 5 pm Venue: National Sports Club of India, Opposite Pragati Maidan, Mathura Road, New Delhi 110001 Tables: All Tables SOLD OUT

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Table Holders of the Stamp collectors Meet:

- 01. Travancore Stamp House, Kottayam
- 02. Sant Kumar Jain, Jaipur
- 03. Luhadia Stamp Auctions, Jaipur
- 04. Rakesh Khemka, Amritsar
- 05. A. R. C. Shah, New Delhi
- 06. Dipak Mittal, New Delhi
- 07. N. K. Dhuper, New Delhi
- 08. S. L. Jain, New Delhi
- 09. Rasiklal Mehta, Mumbai
- 10. Aries Stamps and Collectibles, Gurgaon and New Delhi
- 11. Stamps R Us, New Delhi
- 12. Ashoka Collections House, Puducherry
- 13. Mafatlal Sheth, Mumbai
- 14. Sunil Prabhu, Mumbai
- 15. Kailash Nath, Varanasi
- 16. Chandra Prakash, Bareilly
- 17. PhilatelieCal, Kolkata
- 18. Park Stamp Centre, Kolkata
- 19. Ranjit Singh, New Delhi
- 20. Pradip Aggarwal, Patna
- 21. N C Bhandari, Jaipur
- 22. Dipak Dave, Nadiad
- 23. Rajesh Choudhary, Jaipur
- 24. Abdul Ghaffar Gandhi, Jaipur

Meetings of the Philatelic Organizations in India

# The Calendar of Worldwide Philatelic Auctions

The Calendar for January 2011 has been updated and is now available at http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/2auctions.htm

This information is provided by special arrangement with Charles E Cwiakala and updates to this information are available at their comprehensive Website www.cwiakala.com

South Asia New Issues

Report the philatelic activities in your area for publication here. We shall reimburse the costs incurred on images, philatelic items issued, philatelic publications, courier and other agreed charges.

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