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## **Jhingans Jottings**

Hi

We are back from a successful show from Mumbai and are all ready to go to Begaluru for hopefully another successful one.

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

- M&SJ

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## **Investing In Art Works, Antiques, Coins & Stamps**

Press Trust of India reported on April 22, 2011 that The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) may soon frame a stringent set of rules for funds investing in art works, antiques, coins and stamps, with an aim to check black money flow into these products and safeguard the interest of genuine investors.

SEBI considers investment funds focussed on art works, antiques, coins and stamps as "Collective Investment Schemes", which come under the ambit of the capital market regulator.

Fearing flow of illicit wealth into these funds and also a high level of risk posed by them to the general investors, SEBI is now considering framing a specific set of regulations for these funds, a senior official said.

Globally, art funds are very famous as an alternative class of investments for rich investors and have started gaining some ground in India over the past few years.

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## **India: Revised Stamp Issue Program 2011**

India Post has issued 58 stamps till April 30, 2011. It has now revised the program of issue for the remaining year. There are 24 stamp additions and a total of 43 stamps scheduled for release in eight months as follows:

#### May

07: Rabindranath Tagore, Set of 2  
25: 2nd Africa-India Forum Summit

#### July

02: The United Theological College  
06: D S Kothari  
21: V S Page  
25: Rashtrapati Bhavan, Set of 4  
28: Kasu Brahmananda Reddy

#### August

00: Teja Ji Maharaj  
01: K M Mathew  
25: K Santhanam  
29: Dr Madhav Shrihari Aney  
00: Nature, Set of 2, Wild Ass of Laddakh, Wild Ass of Kutch

#### September

02: Surendra Nath Jauhar  
07: Dev Narayan  
08: Tripuraneni Gopichand  
15: M B Appasaheb Kadadi  
24: Kapoor Chand Kulish  
25: Acharya Jaimal Ji

#### October

09: Chitrapur Math  
17: Para (SF) 1 Punjab  
00: Naval Dockyard

#### November

14: Children's Day, Set of 2, Save Tiger (Children's Paintings)  
21: Heritage Wall Paintings, Set of 2, Shekhawat Paintings, Warli Paintings

#### December

14: Kavi Pradeep  
19: Golden Jubilee of Goa Liberation

#### Date To Be Announced

Classical Singers, Set of 4, Pandit Mallikarjun Mansur, Kumar Gandharva, Gangubai Hangal, and D K Pattamal  
Smile Train / Cleft Palate Surgery  
Shyama Charan Shukla  
Trained Nurses' Association of India  
Transport - Railway Bridges, Set of 4

The following issued earlier scheduled for release has now been dropped:  
Jul 01: Director General of Audit (P&T)

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### **Forthcoming Stamp Issues**

Apr 30: Umrao Kanwar Maharaj Saa "Archana"  
May 07: Rabindranath Tagore, 2 Stamps  
May 25: 2nd Africa-India Forum Summit

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 [www.stampsofindia.com](http://www.stampsofindia.com) as soon as it becomes available.

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### **New Issues Availability Status**

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

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### **Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders of India 1947-1964**

Thakkar Numismatic & Art Foundation , the publishers has announced that to celebrate the first anniversary of its first philatelic publication a special discount of 50% will be offered on every copy purchased of Praful Thakkar's Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders of India 1947-1964, till May 31, 2011.

### **THE BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE HALF PRICE - RS 225!**

Please add Rs 25 for packing and postal charges for delivery by registered book post or Rs 100 for packing and postal charges for delivery by Speed post anywhere in India. Rush your orders to [orders@stampsofindia.com](mailto:orders@stampsofindia.com) now. The orders will be fulfilled on first come first served basis.

### **Stanley Gibbons India Catalog**

Stanley Gibbons published the third edition of its India and Indian States Catalog on Aug 20, 2009 at £22.50 equivalent approximately to Indian Rupees 1800. However there was a very special price of Rs 750 for India for this all color 240 page catalog. We had distributed it all over India.

### **THIS CATALOG IS NOW ON SALE AT INCREDIBLE OFFER : BUY 1 GET 1 FREE!!!!!!**

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**Special Postmarks 2011** <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011pm.htm>

### **Oswal Auctions**

After completion of a very successful auction at Mumbai, Oswal Auctions is coming up with two more auctions at Bangalore in conjunction with National Numismatic Fair 2011 on May 6 & 7, 2011.

Auction No 22 Philatelic is scheduled on Friday May 6 and contains vast choice from 266 lots including some very rare Items such as 1852 Scinde Dawk (Certified), proofs, Essays, Specimens & Reprints of British India postage Stamps, Lithographs, British India Postal History, Stationery, Indian Airmails/ India Post Independence stamp sheets, Miniature sheets, & choice Material of Mahatma Gandhi.

Auction No 23 Numismatic is scheduled on Saturday May 7, and contains vast choice from Ancient India to Modern Republic India coins, Including Rare KG VI silver rupee of 1939, exceedingly Rare 1 Mohur Bank note of Bank of Bengal, proof sets of Republic India, Choice Mughal & British India coins.

For bidding in either or both auctions one needs to register on Oswal Auctions website [www.oswalauctions.com](http://www.oswalauctions.com). The bids may be sent online at [bids@oswalauctions.com](mailto:bids@oswalauctions.com) or by Fax on 022 2414 9917, or by sms on 093200 10483. Visit [www.oswalauctions.com](http://www.oswalauctions.com) for more details.

The auctions offer great opportunities for collectors of Stamps & Coins. Do come with Friends at Bangalore to enjoy hobby. We ensure you a great week end with Great Hospitality of Rajendra Maru (Marudhar Arts)

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### **National Stamp Fair**

The National Stamp Fair will be held from June 17 to 19, 2011 at the fully air conditioned, spacious, and centrally located venue - Bhai Vir Singh Sahitya Sadan, Bhai Vir Singh Marg, Gole Market, New Delhi.

The response to the National Stamp Fair is pretty good and several bookings have already been made. Contact Ashish Talwar [talwar2002@hotmail.com](mailto:talwar2002@hotmail.com) 09810186108 today for booking a table.

List of Table holders As On April 28, 2011

01. Abdul Ghaffar Gandhi, Jaipur, Rajasthan
02. A. R. C. Shah, New Delhi
03. Aries Auctions, New Delhi
04. Aries Stamps and Collectibles, Gurgaon, Haryana
05. Ashok Mittal, New Delhi
06. Capital Stamp Company, New Delhi
07. Chandra Prakash, Bareilly, UP
08. Indian Stamp Company, Meerut, UP
09. N. K. Dhuper, New Delhi
10. Rakesh Khemka, Amritsar, Punjab
11. Rohit Prasad, New Delhi
12. Shafiq Khan, Kanpur, UP
13. Stamps R Us, New Delhi
14. Sunil Prabhu, Mumbai, Maharashtra
15. Vijay Malhotra, Kanpur, UP
16. Umesh Agarwal, Jaipur, Rajasthan
17. Stamps of India, New Delhi
18. Filatelie Cal (Arun Bhattacharya), Kolkata, West Bengal
19. R. S. Gupta, Bengaluru, Karnataka

20. Park Stamp Centre, Kolkata, West Bengal
21. Philatelic Centre, Kolkata, West Bengal
22. Victory Stamp Company, Amritsar, Punjab
23. Dhiren Singh Chauhan & Arvind Mullick, Madhya Pradesh
24. Subash Shorewala & Akash Garg, New Delhi
25. V. Ethiraj, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

More information and regular updates are available at [www.stampsofindia.com/StampFair.htm](http://www.stampsofindia.com/StampFair.htm)

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#### **Aries Auctions**

Aries Auctions has announced its next auction on Saturday, June 18, 2011 at the National Stamp Fair, New Delhi. Though the last date for consignment is 9th May 2011, vendors are requested to consign their lots at their earliest possible so that each lot can be properly described and given its due importance in the catalogue. Contact Ashish Talwar [talwar2002@hotmail.com](mailto:talwar2002@hotmail.com) 09810186108

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#### **Recent & Forthcoming Events**

20th Shukla Day Numismatic & Philatelic Fair

Farokh S Todywalla once again organized, for the 20th year in row, the annual Shukla Day Numismatic & Philatelic Fair at its new venue this year at the World Trade Center, Mumbai from April 21 to 24, 2011. It was a well organized show.

Chairman Kamal Murarka and Vice Chairman Vijay Kalantri gave away following awards to:

Jigar Desai, Unique Theme Award for exhibit is on money and India winning the World Cup Cricket.

Dinesh Hegde, of Mumbai Centenary Year exhibit Award

Raj Tripathi, Jury of Singapore award for exhibit on Indian paper money and coins

Haresh Gala, Most innovative Display award for exhibit of sultanate coins using those coins with their original envelopes as written by S M Shukla.

Avinash Ramteke of Nagpur, Grand Prix for his display of ancient coins

Praful Thakkar of Ahmendabad, Reesha Award for exhibit of Cash Coupons of Indian Princely States

Hosedar Ghaswalla, The Shukla Day Trophy for collection of ancient coins

Oswal Auctions, Todywalla Auctions, and Classical Numismatic Gallery held successful auctions on April 21, April 22 and 23, and April 23 respectively.

Apr 29 -May 1: Trichur, Pope John Paul II and Christianity - Philatelic & Numismatic Display to commemorate the Beatification of Pope John Paul II at Vatican coinciding with 25th Anniversary of Pope John Paul II visit to Trichur, Kerala

Organizers: Shrine Basilica of our Lady of Dolours & Trichur Philatelic Club

Venue: Basilica Jubilee Hall, Trichur.  
Issues: A Special cover on Pope John Paul II

May 6-8: Bangalore, National Numismatic Exhibition  
Timings: 10am to 7 pm  
Organizers: Marudhar Arts  
Venue: The Bell Hotel, Adjacent to City Railway Station & Opposite Majestic Bus Station  
Contact: Rajender Maru, 0 80 6532 9800  
Tables: Rs 9,000 includes Lunch, and Snacks for 2 persons  
Auction Schedule: Oswal Auctions May 6 - 6pm Philatelic, May 7 - 6pm Numismatic  
Website: [www.marudhararts.com/exhi.php](http://www.marudhararts.com/exhi.php)

May 9 - Jun 9: Kolkata, Philatelic Exhibition on Rabindranath Tagore's 150th birth anniversary  
Organizers: Indian Council of Cultural Relations  
Venue: Rabindranath Tagore Center, Ho Chi Minh Sarani, Kolkata

Jun 3-5: Coimbatore, Coin-Stampex  
Timings: 10am to 6 pm  
Organizers: Coimbatore Coin society  
Venue: Gujarati Samaj, Mettupalayam Road, Coimbatore 641 002.  
Contact: Ravichandran 09443325960  
Stalls: Rs.4,000

Jun 17-19: New Delhi, **National Stamp Fair**  
Timings: 11 am to 6 pm  
Organizers: Philatelic Dealers Association  
Venue: Bhai Vir Singh Sahitya Sadan, Bhai Vir Singh Marg, Gole Market, (Fully Air-conditioned)  
This is in the heart of Delhi adjacent to Gole Market and very near to Paharganj and Connaught Place  
Contact: Ashish Talwar [talwar2002@hotmail.com](mailto:talwar2002@hotmail.com) 0 9810186108  
Tables: Rs 5,000 includes Lunch and Tea for 2 persons daily  
Steel almirahs have to be booked in advance and will be available for hire at an additional charge  
Terms: Bookings are considered final only on receipt of full payment. Allotment of tables is solely at the discretion of the organizers. Tables are transferable subject to the approval of the organizers obtained at least 15 days before the Fair. The table will be booked only to one individual or business and If there is any sharing of tables, the same has to be communicated to the organizers at the time of booking.  
Auction Schedule: Aries Auction Jun 18 - 6 pm  
Website: [www.stampsofindia.com/StampFair.htm](http://www.stampsofindia.com/StampFair.htm)

Jul 29-31: Hyderabad, Hyderabad Coins & Notes Fair 2011  
Venue: Federation House, Pragati Art Printers Lane, Red Hills, Hyderabad 500 004  
Timings: 10 am to 5 pm  
Organizers: The Hyderabad Philatelic & Hobbies Society  
Contact: M Kesava Rao, Convenor, Telephone 040 23202153, Mobile 09848128991  
Stalls: Rs. 7,000 includes Morning tea /Lunch /Evening tea for two persons everyday  
Auction Schedule: Todywalla Auction Jul 30 - 6 pm

Aug 5-7: Coimbatore,  
Venue: Kamalam Duraiswamy Hall, Ramnagar, Coimbatore 641 009  
Organizers: Coimbatore District Numismatic & Philatelic Association  
Contact: C Palaniswamy 09486923558

Aug 13-15: Ahmedabad, Coins & Currency Fair

Timings: 10am to 7 pm

Organizers: Classical Numismatic Gallery

Venue: Hotel Comfort Inn President, Opp Municipal Market, C G Road, Navrangpura,

Contact: 079-26464850 info@classicalnumismaticgallery.com

Nov 3-6: New Delhi, **Stamps of India National Exhibition**

Venue: NSIC Exhibition Complex, Okhla Industrial Estate, Govindpuri Metro Station

Timings: 11am to 7 pm

Organizers: Stamps of India

Contact: sj@stampsofindia.com

Sales Stalls: Rs 20,000 covers 44 Square feet (2 x 2 meters) and includes a table, two chairs, name board, an electrical point, floor carpet, and lunch & snacks for two persons

Website: www.stampsofindia.com/sine.html

Nov 18-20: Thrissur, THRISSURPEX 2011 Philatelic & Numismatic Exhibition

Organizers: Philatelic Club Thrissur

Venue: Pandu Samootha Madom Hall

Contact: C J Vincent, 0 98470 21886

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