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Hi

A new stamp issuing entity, South Sudan will become an independent nation on July 9, 2011. Nearly 99% of voters opted for separation from the rest of Sudan In a referendum held in January 2011.

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

- M&SJ

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We invite your inputs writeback@stampsofindia.com

Forthcoming Stamp Issues

Jul 08: The United Theological College

Jul 21: V S Page

Jul 28: Kasu Brahmananda Reddy

Aug 5: Rashtrapati Bhavan, 4 Stamps

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 as soon as it becomes available.

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Dr D S Kothari Stamp Released

India Post released a commemorative postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on Dr D S Kothari, distinguished educationist on July 7, 2011.

Nenu Gupta designed the Stamp, the First Day Cover, and the pictorial first day postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed 0.3 million stamps by Wet Offset process.

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New Issues Availability Status

AWAITED

2008: Aldabra Giant Tortoise, Miniature Sheet

2009: Heritage Jain Temples, Miniature Sheet

New Special Postmarks & Covers

Feb 23: Kolkata, 25th All India Postal Cultural Meet

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

Army Postal Service Issues <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011aps.htm>

New Stamp Booklets

Kolkata Philatelic Club released a set of 4 stamp booklets on May 24, 2011 in commemoration of Paintings and Stamps Exhibition on Rabindranath Tagore held at Gorky Sadan, Kolkata. The booklets are designed by renowned artist and philatelist, Dipok Dey.

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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. Visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/shop/shop.htm>

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.

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IPHLA 2012 Mainz International Philatelic Literature Exhibition

Nov 2-4, 2012, IPHLA 2012 International Philatelic Literature Exhibition

Organizers: German Philatelic Federation (BDPh) under the patronage of AIJP and the FEPA
Venue: Town Hall, Mainz, Germany
Contact: Wolfgang Massen, President AIJP w.maassen@aijp.org
Web Site: www.iphla.de

IPHLA 2012 Mainz will be held as a specialized one class exhibition, namely the class of philatelic literature, and it is open to exhibitors from all national associations of Federation of European Philatelic Associations (FEPA). Furthermore, again in agreement with FREGEX § 2.1.3, exhibitors from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, **India**, Canada, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa and USA are invited who are connected with a European language by their national idiom.

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Forgeries & Frauds Alerts

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

Auction Action

Aries Auctions is holding its next auction on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at the Stamps of India National Exhibition in New Delhi. The last date for consigning material is 27th September 2011. Contact talwar2002@hotmail.com

India 1963 Red Cross Omitted

India SG 467a, priced at GBP 5,000, was offered as the Lot #3235 at the 17th Auction of Auktionshaus Christoph Gärtner held from March 7 to 12, 2011 with a starting price of Euro 1,500. It realized a whopping Euro 30,000. Unfortunately it later was found to be a clever forgery.

Obituary: Dr Paulo Comelli

Dr Paulo Comelli, RDP, world renowned philatelist, died on May 9, 2011 in Belo Horizonte City, Estate of Minas Gerais, Brazil, at the age of 68.

He had replaced Tay Peng Hian, subsequent to being elected as FIP President in October 2010 at Portugal, as FIP Consultant to JOBURG 2010 and INDIPEX 2011. After returning home from New Delhi in February 2011, where he had won Grand Prix International for his exhibit "Brazilian Mail to Foreign Destinations - From Correio - MOR to UPU", he was admitted to the hospital in Belo Horizonte due to pulmonary infection (pneumonia) which subsequently led him to other serious medical complications.

His website <http://www.comelliphilatelist.com> will be maintained by his family members in order to continue sharing Paulo's philatelic knowledge with the world.

He had served as Vice President of the Brazilian Federation of Philately (FEBRAF) 1997-2001, Vice President of the Inter-American Federation of Philately (FIAF) 1998-2001, Director of Association Internationale des Experts en Philatélie (AIEP) 2006-2011, and Director of Fédération Internationale de Philatélie (FIP) 2008-2012.

Forthcoming World Philatelic Exhibitions

The exhibitors from India can participate in the following world level shows under the patronage of International Philatelic Federation (FIP):

Jun 18-24, 2012: INDONESIA 2012 World Philatelic Exhibition
Organizers: Indonesian Philatelists Association

Venue: Jakarta Convention Center.

National Commissioner for India: S Sahoo sahademas@yahoo.com 09337103542

Aug 2-14, 2013: THAILAND 2013, World Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers:

Venue: Bangkok

National Commissioner for India: R D Binani 09830073058

In addition to the above the following world level shows under the patronage of FIP are scheduled to be held at present for which National Commissioners for India are yet to be nominated:

Sep 21-16, 2012: DOHA 2012 World Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: Qatar Philatelic Club

Venue: Doha, Qatar

May 10-15, 2013: AUSTRALIA 2013 World Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: Australian Philatelic Federation

Venue: Melbourne

Website: www.australia2013.com

Oct 8-13, 2013: BRASILIANA 2013

Organizers: Federação Brasileira de Filatelia

Venue: Rio de Janeiro

2014: PHILAKOREA 2014

Organizers:

Venue: Seoul

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Tagore Philatelic Exhibition in Egypt

July 5 to 17, 2011: Cairo, Egypt, Philatelic Exhibition on Rabindranath Tagore,

Venue: El Bab Gallery, Opera House Complex, Cairo

Organizers: Maulana Azad Centre for Indian Culture (MACIC), Embassy of India, Cairo, in cooperation with the Foreign Cultural Relation Sector and the Fine Arts Sector of the Egyptian Ministry of Culture

To commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, the Maulana Azad Centre for Indian Culture (MACIC), Embassy of India, Cairo, in cooperation with the Foreign Cultural Relations Sector and the Fine Arts Sector of the Egyptian Ministry of Culture will be bringing two exhibitions related to Tagore which will be inaugurated on 5 July, 2011 at 7 pm by H E Dr Emad Abou Ghazi, the Egyptian Minister of Culture and H E Swaminathan, Ambassador of India at El Bab Gallery at the Opera House Complex. The function will be graced by H E Hossam Nassar, First Under Secretary for Foreign Cultural Relations and H E Dr Ashraf Reda, Head of the Fine Arts Sector.

Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941) was the first Asian Nobel Laureate. He won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913. Tagore was a master of several literary forms – he was a poet, a novelist, a short-story writer and a playwright. His contributions reshaped Bengali literature and music in the late 19th and early 20th century. Tagore is perhaps the world's only writer whose compositions have

been adopted as the national anthems of two countries: India and Bangladesh. At the age of 60, Tagore also became a celebrated painter. Tagore was also a pioneering educationist (thus the honorific 'Gurudev' meaning 'Teacher'), and greatly promoted rural reconstruction. He set up a school, Santiniketan, and thereafter, a world famous university called Visva Bharati in West Bengal, India as well as a centre for promotion of traditional arts and crafts in Sriniketan. He was a national leader and an internationalist who visited many countries including Egypt in 1925.

The Tagore exhibitions will consist of two elements: (i) 'A Philatelic Exhibition on Tagore' which consists of 20 panels of commemorative stamps and other rare philatelic objects issued by the postal departments of around 20 foreign countries on Rabindranath Tagore. Some of these items are more than a century old and belong to private collectors in India. Sekhar Chakrabarti, one of three Indian collectors, whose collections are used in this exhibition, will be the curator for the show at Cairo; and (ii) 'Tagore on Kantha' which includes 13 panels of 'kantha' work illustrating Tagore's short stories, songs, poems, dance dramas all made in the traditional 'kantha' style of embroidery practiced to this day by rural women in West Bengal, India and in Bangladesh. Tagore greatly promoted traditional arts and crafts including Kantha work. Kantha work basically uses the 'running stitch' to create beautiful motifs on fabric. It was originally used by Bengali women for making quilts from old, worn out saris. The Kantha exhibition has been conceptualized by Ms Shamlu Dudeja who has worked for over 25 years for the revival of kantha work in West Bengal through the setting up of NGOs.

The two exhibitions are being sponsored by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), New Delhi and have been put together by ICCR's Rabindranath Tagore Centre in Kolkata. The exhibits are travelling out of India for the first time. The exhibition will run until July 17, 2011.

Recent & Forthcoming Events

Jul 8-10: Nagercoil, KUMARIPEX Stamps, Coins & Banknotes Exhibition

Timings: 10am to 6pm

Organizers: Kanyakumari District Philatelic & Numismatic Association

Venue: Valanar Thirumana Mandapam, Assisi Campus, Nagercoil

Contact: Consort Dias Jacobs, Secretary KDPNA, 0 9843154344

Jul 22-24: Tiruchengode, Coin Stampex

Timings: 10 am to 9 pm

Organizers: Tiruchengode Numismatic & Philatelic Association

Venue: Sengunthar Thirumana Mandapam, Periyapavadi

Tables: Rs 3,000 - 2 Tables, 2 Chairs, Lunch, Tea & Snacks for 2

Contact: Jc K Golden Saravanan (Secretary) 0 94432 74059, 0 99766 26296

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, Coin Stampex

Venue: Kamalam Duraisamy Hall, Ram Nagar, Near Gandhipuram Central Bus Stand

Timings: 9.30 am to 9.30 pm

Organizers: Coimbatore District Numismatic & Philatelic Association

Contact: C Palaneswamy 09486923558

Auction Schedule: The Ancient Times Auctions Aug 6

Aug 13-15: Ahmedabad, Coins & Currency Fair

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

Timings: 10am to 7 pm

Organizers: Classical Numismatic Gallery

Contact: 079-26464850 info@classicalnumismaticgallery.com

Oct 7-9: Chennai, SIPEX'11 Philatelic Exhibition

Venue: LITE Air conditioned Hall, 17 Balfour Road, Kilpauk, Chennai 600010

Adjacent to Nagappa Motors, Diagonally Opposite to ICICI Bank

Organizers: South India Philatelists' Association, Chennai

Dealers Booth: Rs 7,500

Contact: Amarchand 09840156410

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 10-12: Palakkad,

Venue: Town Hall Annexe

Organizers: Palakkad Philatelic & Numismatic Club

Contact:

Stall: Rs 3,000

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

Organizers: Philatelic Club Thrissur

Venue: Pandy Samootha Madom Hall

Contact: C J Vincent, 0 98470 21886

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<http://www.sikhfoundation.org/2011/sikh-arts-heritage/an-interview-with-master-sikh-stamp-collector-paramjeet-singh/>

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