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Jhingans Jottings

Hi,

We estimate there will be over 100 philatelic exhibitions held in India between October 2011 and March 2012. Although most of these will be district levels shows organized by India Post, we expect half a dozen state level shows to be held as well in Delhi, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, etc. The state level shows were included in the 11th Five Year Plan of the Government of India and we expect to see these held more frequently now. Enjoy.

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

- M&SJ

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We invite your inputs writeback@stampsofindia.com

Stamps of India National Exhibition

The work for SINE 2011 is going on full speed ahead, the allotment confirmations have been sent by email and by Speed Post in cases where email wasn't available, if you have not received yours till now, please sms, email or call to confirm. All the contact details are already available with you.

Plan your visit to SINE and Delhi in the lovely November weather and make your exhibition a grand success.

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/sine.html>

Forthcoming Stamp Issues

Nov 08: Indian Council of Medical Research
14: Children's Day, 2 Stamps, Save Tiger (Children's Paintings)
21: Heritage Wall Paintings, 2 Stamps, Shekhawati Paintings, Warli Paintings
Nov 25: Grand Lodge of India
Nov 00: R Venkataraman

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.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011stamps.htm>

New Stamps Released

CHITRAPUR MATH

India Post released a postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on Chitrapur Math on October 9, 2011. The Math was established in 1757 in Shirali village in North Karnataka. The main festival of the Math is Rathotsava – The Car Festival which is celebrating its 150th year in 2011.

Suresh Kumar designed the Stamp and the First Day Cover. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed 0.4 million stamps by Wet Offset process.

THE PUNJAB REGIMENT & 1 PARA (SF) (1 PUNJAB)

India Post released a postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on The Punjab Regiment & 1st Battalion Parachute Regiment (Special Forces) on October 12, 2011.

Brahm Prakash designed the Stamp and the First Day Cover. Alka Sharma designed the pictorial first day postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed 0.4 million stamps by Wet Offset process.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011stamps.htm>

New Issues Availability Status

AWAITED

2008: Aldabra Giant Tortoise, Miniature Sheet

2009: Heritage Jain Temples, Miniature Sheet

Recent Special Postmarks

May 9: Patna, Rabindranath Tagore 150th Birth Anniversay

Jun 18: Ernakulam, M George Muthoot Birth Centenary

Sep 22: Kolkata, Anandilall Poddar 50th Death Anniversay

Oct 01: Nagpur: Philatelic Exhibition Narrow Gauge Museum South East Central Railway

Oct 07: Chennai, Coral Reef - Gulf of Mannar SIPEX Philatelic Exhibition 1/3

Oct 08: Chennai, Grizzled Squirrel SIPEX Philatelic Exhibition 2/3

Oct 08: Chennai, Rock Paintings Keelvalai SIPEX Philatelic Exhibition 3/3

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

Army Postal Service Issues

Mar 01: 81 Field Regiment Golden Jubilee
Mar 01: 51 Medium Regiment Golden Jubilee
Mar 09: Presentation of President's Standard 110 Helicopters Unit
Mar 09: 44 Squadron Air Force Golden Jubilee
Mar 03: Gorkha Recruiting Depot, Kunraghat 125 Years
Apr 01: 128 Air Defence Regiment Diamond Jubilee
Apr 02: 128 Air Defence Regiment (Composite) Diamond Jubilee
Apr 25: Project Dantak Border Roads Organization Golden Jubilee
May 04: Project Deepak (GREF) Border Roads Organization Golden Jubilee
Sep 15: 28th Battalion Assam Rifles Silver Jubilee

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

Seminar on Indian Philately

British Empire Study Group and India Study Circle for Philately is organizing a daylong Seminar on Indian Philately at the Collectors Club, New York on Oct 15, 2011 as per following program

10.00	Welcome by Dr. Richard Maisel (Chair, BESG)
10.05-10.15	Introduction by Ethan Pettit (Moderator)
10.15-10.45	An Introduction to Indian and Indian States Philately — by Sandeep Jaiswal (USA)
10.45-11.15	To be confirmed
11.15-11.45	Indian De la Rue Issues by Steve Zwillinger (USA)
11.45-12.15	To be determined — by Dr. P. S. Dixit (India)
12.15-12.45	Discussion
12.45-1.45	LUNCH
1.45-2.15	Danish Settlements in India — by Markand D Dave (India)
2.15-2.45	French Settlements in India — by Hendrik Slabbinck (Belgium)
2.45-3.15	Portuguese Settlements in India — by Roger Lawson (Portugal)
3.15-3.45	The Indian Posts in Aden — by Gary Brown (Australia)
3.45-4.15	TEA
4.15-4.45	Barwani — by Dan Walker (USA)
4.45-5.15	Indian Airmails — by Arif Balgamwalla (Pakistan)
5.15-5.45	Expertising of Indian Feudatory States stamps and covers — by Sandeep Jaiswal, Dan Walker, and Sergio Sismondo (USA)
5.45-6.15	Closing comments by Ethan Pettit and discussion
7.30	DINNER

Auction Action

Aries November Auction at SINE

Aries Auctions, is holding its second auction sale 'SINE 2011 Auction' at SINE 2011 on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at Bhai Vir Singh Sadan (near Gole Market), New Delhi 110001, India.

On offer are 371 lots that include rarities of British India like 1854 issues, Independent India, Private FDCs, Mahatma Gandhi SPECIMEN and Service stamps, Sheets and Sheetlets, Errors and Varieties, as well as a comprehensive section on Airmails, Rocketmails, Postal History and Postal Stationery.

Catalogue can be downloaded in PDF format from the Aries website or viewed as e-catalogue. The Online part of the auction closes at 6pm, 1st November 2011 and the floor auction begins exactly at 6pm, November 3, 2011. Register now for online bidding at: www.ariesauctions.com

SINE Standholders Auction

An innovative beginning will be made at SINE 2011 with a Standholders Auction at 6pm, Friday, November 4, 2011.

On November 3 and 4, Standholders of SINE will be eligible to consign lots that will then be auctioned. This will be an on-the-spot auction where payment has to be settled immediately after the auction. While Buyers can expect some amazing bargains, for SINE Standholders this is an additional facet to the already comprehensive SINE experience.

Auktionshaus Christoph Gärtner is holding 20th International Public Auction from November 3 to 8, 2011 in Bietigheim-Bissingen, Germany. The auction offers more than 18,000 lots compiled in eight catalogues:

Nov 3: ASIA SPECIAL AUCTION - 1,874 single lots

Nov 3: AIRMAIL & ZEPPELINPOST WORLDWIDE SPECIAL AUCTION - 1,967 lots

Volume 1: OVERSEAS + THEMATICS - 1,666 + 855 single lots

Volume 2: EUROPE - 2,793 single lots

Volume 3: GERMANY - 2,995 single lots

Volume 4.1: COLLECTIONS 1 - 3,475 lots Overseas, All World, Europe and Thematics

Volume 4.2: COLLECTIONS 2 - 2,016 lots Germany, Estates and Numismatics

Volume 5: RARITIES Concentration of outstanding jewels of International Philately

All single lots in full size on www.auktionen-gaertner.de All auction catalogues for download and a wide range of supplemental and more detailed scans of collections on www.stamp-auctions.de
Contact info@auktionen-gaertner.de

Indian Thematic Society is holding ITS Postal Auction No.54. the 130 lots auction will close on October 29, 2011. Contact indianthematicsociety@gmail.com OR surajjaitly@hotmail.com
Websites: <http://indianthematicstamps.webs.com/> OR <http://itsstampnews.blogspot.com/>

Recent Philatelic Periodicals

ITS Stamp News, Whole # 55, Vol.14 No. 3 Jul- Sep 2011, Quarterly

Editor: Suraj Jaitly surajjaitly@hotmail.com

Publisher: Indian Thematic Society, Ludhiana

Web Site: <http://itsstampnews.blogspot.com/>

Annual Subscription: Rs 150 or US\$ 8 or Euro 6

The Philatelist, Vol.1 August 2011

Editor: Olvex M Noronha

Publisher: the Philatelic Club Thrissur

Annual Subscription: Rs 100 includes membership of the Club

Contact: philatelicclubthrissur@rediffmail.com

India Post Launches International Money Transfer Service

Kapil Sibal, Minister of Human Resource Development, Communications & Information Technology launched MoneyGram International Money Transfer Service (IMTS) on September 29, 2011. Sachin Pilot, Minister of State for Communications & Information Technology was also present on this occasion. India Post has entered into an International Cooperation Agreement with MoneyGram Payment Systems, Inc., USA to offer to the general public this service initially through selected 100 Post Offices in Delhi, Punjab, and Tamil Nadu. IMTS will be expanded to other selected Post Offices in future.

The salient features of this IMTS are furnished below:-

1. The MoneyGram International Money Transfer Service is a fast, simple and convenient method to transfer money from one place to another.
2. In India, a person can only receive money from abroad through this service.
3. This service operates as per the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India.
4. Only personal remittances such as remittances towards family maintenance and remittances favouring foreign tourists visiting India are permissible under this service.
5. Trade related remittances, remittances towards purchase of property, investments or credit to NRE Accounts, etc. or donations/contributions to charitable organizations are not (NOT) permitted to be routed through this service.
6. A single remittance under this service should not exceed USD 2500 or its equivalent.
7. Not more than 12 remittances are allowed to be received by a single individual beneficiary through this service in a calendar year.
8. Payments to the beneficiaries in India should be made in Indian Rupees at ongoing exchange rates.
9. All payments exceeding Rs.50,000 should be paid only by Cheque or by direct credit in the account of the recipient.
10. All KYC/AML/CFT norms/rules/regulations/instructions, as mentioned in Reserve Bank of India Master Circular No. 14/2011-12 dated 01 July 2011, as amended from time to time, and all the requirements under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and the rules, regulations made thereunder, are applicable to the remittances received under this service.
11. Departmental IMTS Customer Service Centre is functioning in Dak Bhawan, New Delhi. It can be contacted on Phone No. 011-23096114 and on email id indiapost.moneygramcsc@gmail.com

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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 distributed it all over India.

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Philatelic Library for Sale

Philatelist and writer Anil Dhir is disposing off his entire library of rare and important philatelic books that he has collected over the years. The first list of more than a hundred books offered for sale is ready. To get the list send him an email at anildhir2k5@hotmail.com

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Recent & Forthcoming Events

Oct 1-6: Nagpur, Philatelic Exhibition

Venue: Narrow Gauge Museum, South East Central Railway Motibag, Nagpur 440002

Oct 11-12: Kalindi 2011 Philately Exhibition

Venue: WWF India, Lodhi Estate,

Organizers: South East Delhi Division of India Post

Oct 12: Philately Exhibition

Venue: Jaysingpur Post Office

Oct 14-15: Surat, Philatelic Exhibition

Venue: Rotary Hall, Timaliyawad, Surat

Organizers: Surat Division of India Post

Oct 14-16: National Numismatic and Philatelic Exhibition cum Fair

Venue: Arignar Anna Arangam, Dr Guruswamy Road, Chetpet (Near Maharishi Vidya Mandir School)

Organizers: Chennai Numismatic Society In conjunction with Numismatic Promotion Services of India

Oct 19-20: Philately Exhibition

Venue: Bosco Public School, Sunder Vihar

Organizers: West Delhi Division of India Post

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

NEW Venue: Bhai Vir Singh Sahitya Sadan, Bhai Vir Singh Marg, Gole Market, New Delhi 110001

Timings: 11am to 7 pm

Organizers: Stamps of India

Contact: sine@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: Coimbatore, Kovaipex

Organizers: Coimbatore Division of India Post

Contact: Coimbatore Philatelic Bureau 0422 2382930

Nov 10-12: Palakkad, Kerala

Venue: Town Hall Annexe

Organizers: Palakkad Philatelic & Numismatic Club

Stall: Rs 3,000

Nov 12-14: Indore, YI Numismatics & Philatelic Fair

Venue: Basket Ball complex, Race course road, Indore
Organizers: Indore coin society, Young Indians and Numismatic promotion board
Contact: Girish Sharma, President Ph: 09977050987 & 09425052158 noblecoinsindia@gmail.com

Nov 16-17: Philately Exhibition
Venue: St Xavier's School, Civil Lines
Organizers: North Delhi Division of India Post

Nov 24-25:
Venue: National Rail Museum, Chanakyapuri
Organizers: South West Delhi Division of India Post

Nov 18-20: Thrissur, THRISSURPEX 2011 Philatelic & Numismatic Exhibition
Venue: Pandu Samootha Madom Hall
Organizers: Philatelic Club Thrissur
Contact: C J Vincent, 0 98470 21886

Nov 18-20: Rajkot, One Frame Philatelic Exhibition
Venue: Shri Shyamaprasad Art Gallery, Racecourse, Rajkot
Contact: Secretary, RAJPEX-2011, C/o Philatelic Bureau, G P O, Rajkot 360001, Tel 0281 -2223883

Dec 9-11: Pune, COINEX-PUNE 2011 National Level Numismatic Exhibition
Venue: Sankalp Hall, Lalbahadur Shastri Road, Navi Peth, Opp. Petrol Pump, Pune
Organizers: International Collector's Society of Rare Items Pune

Dec 14-20: Lucknow, UPHILEX 10th Uttar Pradesh State Level Exhibition
Venue: Lalit Kala Academy, Lucknow
Organizers: Uttar Pradesh Circle of India Post

Dec 23-25: Kolkata, Mudra Utsav 2011
Time: 10am to 7pm
Venue: Haldirams Banquet Hall, 24 Ballygunge park, Kolkata 700019
Organizers: Numismatic Society of Calcutta
Contact: email: secretarynsckolkata@yahoo.com
Website: www.nsckolkata.com

2012

Jan 13-16: Pune, Mahapex 2012 - 11th state level philatelic exhibition
Venue: Ganesh Kala Krida Rangmanch
Organizers: Maharashtra Circle of India Post

Feb 3-5: Calicut, MUDRA 2012 - A Festival of Coins, Stamps & Currencies
Organizers: The Calicut Philatelic Club, & The Calicut Numismatic Society
Venue: Corporation Jubilee Hall, Near Tali Temple, Calicut
Contact: Rajesh Nair 09847755125, Or Sooraj 09447124066

Feb 10-12: New Delhi, BHARTIYE MUDRAYE – 2012
Venue: Bhai Veer Singh Sahitya Sadan, Gole Market, New Delhi
Organizers: Delhi Coin Society

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Journal of Indian States History, Philately & Numismatics

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