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The News, Views, & Features on Philately & Postal Services of India

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Jhingan's Jottings

Hi,

We will be in Ludhiana on April 21 and 22 for the Seminar on Philately and look forward to meeting friends once again whom we haven't met in person for some time.

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

- M&SJ

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Forthcoming Stamp Issues

May 17: M B Kadadi

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/2012stamps.htm>

New Stamps Released

Isabella Thoburn College

India Post released a commemorative stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on Isabella Thoburn College during the closing ceremony of 125th anniversary celebrations on April 12, 2012 at Lucknow. Akhilesh Yadav, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh was the chief Guest at the function.

The College is the outcome of the dedication, struggles and initiatives of Isabella Thoburn, an American Missionary who was among the first missionaries sponsored by the Women's Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to India.

Bharti Mirchandani designed the stamp, and First Day Cover. Alka Sharma designed the pictorial First Day of Issue postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed 400,000 stamps by wet offset process.

Godiji Temple

Milind Deora, Minister of State for Communications & Information Technology released a commemorative stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on Godiji Temple on the occasion of its 200th anniversary at a special function held on April 17, 2012 at Mumbai.

Sankha Samanta designed the stamp, and First Day Cover. Alka Sharma designed the pictorial First Day of Issue postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. India Security Press, Nashik printed 400,000 stamps by photogravure process.

R Venkataraman

Pratibha Patil, President of India, released a commemorative postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 to mark the birth centenary of R Venkataraman, India's eighth President, on April 18, 2012 at Mumbai.

Sankha Samanta designed the stamp, and First Day Cover. Alka Sharma designed the pictorial First Day of Issue postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. India Security Press, Nashik printed 300,000 stamps by photogravure process.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2012stamps.htm>

New Issues Availability Status

AWAITED

2008: Aldabra Giant Tortoise, Miniature Sheet

2009: Heritage Jain Temples, Miniature Sheet

Recent Special Postmarks

Apr 15: Gorakhpur, Swamp Land

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2012pm.htm>

Army Postal Service Issues

Following Special Covers with special postmarks were issued during Jan and Feb 2012:

Jan 01: 6th Battalion The Jammu & Kashmir Rifles Golden Jubilee

Jan 01: 5th Battalion The Parachute Regiment Golden Jubilee

Jan 01: 9th Battalion The Jat Regiment Golden Jubilee

Feb 01: 5th Battalion The Gorkha Rifles Golden Jubilee

Feb 09: 6th Battalion the Sikh Regiment Golden Jubilee

Feb 12: Gorkha Brigade Diamond Jubilee

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2012aps.htm>

New Advertisement Postmarks

Gorakhpur has recently brought out several advertisements on postmarks which erroneously has been reported and believed to be as special postmarks by some.

In the advertisement postmarks the proponent provides the stamps device/s to the post office on a per device per day fees. Upon approval the device is stamped on incoming and or outgoing mail articles. This can not be used to cancel postage stamps. It is an additional marking on the mail advertising a product, event, or cause.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2012pm.htm>

2nd National Stamp Fair

Philatelic Dealers Association is organizing the 2nd National Stamp Fair from June 16 to 18, 2012 at Bhai Veer Singh Sahitya Sadan, Gole Market, New Delhi. Tables are available at Rs 6,000 inclusive of lunch and tea for 2 persons on each day. The Steel almirah is available on additional charge and required to be booked in advance. Please contact Ashish Talwar 0 98101 86108 talwar2002@hotmail.com , for bookings.

Bookings are considered final only on receipt of full payment. Allotment of tables is solely at the discretion of the organizers. Tables are not transferable without the prior permission of the organizers and such transfer will only be possible if communicated to the organizers 15 days before the Fair and the decision of the organizers shall be binding in this regard. If there is any sharing of tables, the same has to be communicated to the organizers at the time of booking/making payment.

Aries Auction will be held at on Sunday, Jun 17, 2012.

My Stamp Update

Stamps of India and Eeshan Prakashan has released a set of **29 First Day Covers**, one for each design, for My Stamp personalized postage stamps issue. The individually numbered covers are issued in the limited quantity of 100 and is priced at Rs 11,000 postpaid for the set. Please send your orders to orders@stampsofindia.com.

Images are on display at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/shop/fdc.htm>

Auction Action

Murray Payne Auction # 11

Murray Payne Ltd <http://www.murraypayne.com/> is holding their 11th Auction on April 26, 2012. The book bids will close on April 25, 2012. Live bidding online will commence at www.the-saleroom.com on April 26, 2012 at 13.00 hours British Standard Time.

There are 360 lots of Indian States in the sale ranging from GBP 50 to GBP 6,000 , from the first and larger part of a substantial collection. All lots are illustrated in color at www.the-saleroom.com .

ITS Postal Auction # 56

Indian Thematic Society, Ludhiana is organizing Postal Auction #56. The 145 lots auction is closing on May 12, 2012. Some scans of this auction are available at http://www.flickr.com/photos/its_offers/ .

Recent Philatelic Periodicals

ITS STAMP NEWS <http://itsstampnews.blogspot.com/>
Quarterly, Whole # 57, Vol. 15 #1, Jan – Mar 2012

Editor: Suraj Jaitly surajjaitly@hotmail.com

Publisher: Indian Thematic Society <http://indianthematicstamps.webs.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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<http://www.stampsofindia.com/other/siteguide/TextAdsTariff.htm>

Display Ads www.stampsofindia.com

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/other/siteguide/DisplayAdTariff.htm>

Recent & Forthcoming Events

Apr 20-22: Mumbai, Shukla Day

Venue: World Trade Centre

Organizers: Todywalla

Contact: Kaizad Todywalla 0 9820032468

Apr 21-22: Ludhiana, Seminar on Philately + Stamp Exhibition + Stamp Bazar

Venue: Lions Bhawan, Udham Singh Nagar, Ludhiana

Organizers: Philatelic Congress of Punjab and Ludhiana Philatelic Club

Contacts: Rajesh Gupta, General Secretary 9463132086, Mukesh Malhotra, PRO 9023084608

email: ludhianaphilatelicclub@gmail.com

May 11-13: Exhibition For Stamps,Coins & Currencies

Occasion: 75th Anniversary of the First Stamp Exhibition In Travancore, at YMCA Kottayam in 1937

Organizers: Kottayam Philatelic & Numismatic Society

Venue: K P S Menon Hall, near Public Library, Sastri Road, Kottayam, 1 km from Railway Station

Sales Stall: Rs 3,500 inclusive of lunch & tea; Only 20 stalls are available

Mobile dealers: Rs 1,300 inclusive of lunch & tea
Contacts: Sunil Joseph(09446124923), Atish Jain(09447756118)

May 12: New Delhi, 89th Monthly Meet of Delhi Philatelists
Time: 2.30 pm
Venue: the Spirit Restaurant, E 34, First Floor, Connaught Place, New Delhi
Contact: Rohit Prasad rohit1962@yahoo.com 0 9810304233

June 16-18: New Delhi, 2nd National Stamp Fair
Venue: Bhai Veer Singh Sahitya Sadan, Gole Market, New Delhi
Timing: 11am to 6pm on all 3 days,
Organizers: Philatelic Dealers Association
Tables: Rs. 6,000 inclusive of lunch and tea for 2 persons on each day.
Steel almirah is available on additional charge and required to be booked in advance
Auctions: Aries Auction at 6pm on Sunday, Jun 17
Contact: Ashish Talwar talwar2002@hotmail.com , 0 98101 86108

Meetings of the Philatelic Organizations in India www.stampsofindia.com/info base/clubmeet.htm

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Report Cyber Crime & Internet Fraud <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>

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<We invite you to contribute clippings on philatelic and postal matters, from other print and electronic publications, for inclusion here>

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Journal of Indian States History, Philately & Numismatics

Stamps on India <http://www.stampsonindia.com/>
The site devoted to the stamps from all over the world on Indian topics

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