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## Jhingans Jottings

Hi,

We are back. It is our perseverance and love for the hobby that keeps bringing us back. It is only some extreme circumstances that keep us away from you and we sincerely apologize for the same.

We shall attempt to be prompt with the mailing of the issues and we shall also mail you three issues, one for each month, of March, April and May, before the next issue.

We look forward to your continued support and your contributions as always.

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 [writeback@stampsofindia.com](mailto:writeback@stampsofindia.com)

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## Jeffrey Brown Passes Away

Jeffrey Brown, the noted Aerophilatelist, died on the night of May 31 – June 1, 2013. He was born in Calcutta (now Kolkata) on August 10, 1945.

He was a long time member of India Study Circle for Philately (ISC) and served on committee over the years. Brown wrote two books, 'Indian Airmails' & 'Indian Airmail Postage Rates Until 1956' that were published by ISC, but more importantly he kept these up to date on digital versions.

Although he sold his Indian Airmails collection through Christoph Gaertner auction house of Germany last year, he continued his interest in collecting, researching and successfully exhibiting Indian Airmail Rates and also First Flight Covers of Air India.

We personally knew him for last twenty years and were in the process of responding to his last email of May 28 when we heard the shocking news.

His demise is an irreparable loss to Indian philately in general and to Indian Aerophilately in particular.

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### **BRASILIANA 2013 Update**

The acceptance of Exhibit applications that was scheduled to be announced on June 1, 2013 is now expected to be announced on June 15, 2013, Brazil time.

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### **Stamp Popularity Poll 2012**

Stamps of India now present the Stamp Poll 2012 to select the best stamp of 2012, and best miniature sheet of 2012 and best sheetlet of 2012.

The results shall be announced based on the most number of votes polled. Please select from the issues of 2012 and vote for the best stamp, miniature sheet, and sheetlet of 2012 in your opinion. Please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/stamps/2012stamps.htm> for stamps, miniature sheets and Sheetlets of 2012. Also write your name, city, email id, and philatelic interests on the ballot and email your ballots to: [stamppoll@stampsofindia.com](mailto:stamppoll@stampsofindia.com)

The last date to receive the ballots at Stamps of India is June 30, 2013. Incomplete ballots shall not be considered. The results will be announced in the Issue of July 4, 2013. Several attractive philatelic prizes will be given away. The winners will be decided by draw of lots.

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### **Forthcoming Stamp Issues**

Jun 00: Wildlife and Flora & Fauna  
Jun 00: Traditional Indian Handfans  
Jun 25 (?): Peerjada Ghulam Ahmad Mehjoor

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.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2013stamps.htm>

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### **New Issues Availability Status**

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

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### **Recent Special Postmarks**

May 31: Patna, No Tobacco Day

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2013pm.htm>

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

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### **Auction Action**

Crescent Auction of Karachi, Pakistan is holding its 2<sup>nd</sup> auction on June 30, 2013. The catalog is available online at <http://www.crescentauction.com/>

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### **Third National Stamp Fair**

The Philatelic Dealers Association is organizing the Third National Stamp Fair from 28 to 30 June 2013. The first edition and second editions held in June 2011, and 2012 were tremendously successful and we expect the same this time. The venue is the new, It is centrally located, air-conditioned and spacious. We expect to accommodate larger number of dealers than last time and steps are being initiated to widely publicize the event. The cost of each table is Rs. 5,000 inclusive of lunch and tea for 2 persons on all 3 days. The timings are 11am to 6pm on all 3 days. For booking, contact Ashish Talwar, Secretary General, Philatelic Dealers Association, phone 098101 86108.

Auctions will complement the event. Spot auctions will be held at 6pm on June 28 and 29. All participating stand-holders are eligible to consign material for the spot auctions. All settlements will be on the spot. Lots for Spot Auction must be handed over to Rohit Prasad at his table by 2pm on the day of the auction. For more information on Spot Auctions Contact: Rohit Prasad 09810304233 [prasadrohit1962@yahoo.com](mailto:prasadrohit1962@yahoo.com)

The following dealers from all over the world have already confirmed their participation:

01. Stamps R Us, New Delhi
02. Rohit Prasad, New Delhi
03. Stamps of India, New Delhi
04. Mahendra Sharma, Guwahati
05. Sabir Stamps, New Delhi
06. Arvind Rai Shah, New Delhi
07. Narinder Dhuper, New Delhi
08. R. K. Bhatia, Amritsar
09. Capricorn Impressions, New Delhi
10. Capricorn Impressions, New Delhi
11. All About Design, New Delhi
13. Kohinoor Stamps, New Delhi
14. Kohinoor Stamps, New Delhi
15. Arun Bhattacharya & Tanmoy Chatterjee, Kolkata
16. Park Stamp Center, Kolkata
17. Nikhil Parekh, Mumbai
18. A V Govindrajulu, Chennai
19. N R Sarkar, Kolkata
20. S Chowdhury & K Islam, Bangladesh
21. Shorewala, New Delhi
22. V Ethiraj, Chennai
23. Jay Cee Enterprises, Puducherry
24. Dipak Dave, Nadiad
25. Dipak Dave, Nadiad
26. Aries Stamps and Collectibles, Gurgaon
27. Aries Stamps and Collectibles, Gurgaon
35. Amar Gangji, Pune
36. Victory Stamps Company, Amritsar
37. Gunpreet Singh, Amritsar
38. Capital Stamps, New Delhi
39. D. S. Chauhan, Madhya Pradesh

40. Mukund Malhotra, Kanpur  
42. Eeshan Prakashan, New Delhi  
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### **Delhi Philatelists Meetings**

The forthcoming meetings in June are scheduled on 8, 15, 22, and 29.

An auction is held at every meeting. Display talks are organized at most meetings. We invite members and guests to show a part of their collection and discuss the same. All are encouraged to buy, sell and exchange at the meetings.

The venue of the meetings is the Office of Rohit Prasad, I1/a, Dhawan Deep Building, Jantar Mantar Road, New Delhi 110001. It is opposite Kerala House and next door to Patel Chowk Metro Station Exit #2. Most philatelists are already familiar with this Metro Station as it is used for visiting Philatelic Bureau and National Philatelic Museum which are closer to Exit # 3.

For further details please contact Rohit Prasad [prasadrohit1962@yahoo.com](mailto:prasadrohit1962@yahoo.com) 0 9810304233

The schedule of the meetings is also available at the <http://www.stampsofindia.com/DPMS.htm>

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### **Recent Philatelic Periodicals**

#### **RAINBOW STAMP NEWS**

Monthly, Whole #66, Jun 2013

Editor: Jeevan Jyoti [j.jyoti9@gmail.com](mailto:j.jyoti9@gmail.com)

Publisher: Jeevan Jyoti, Shimla

Also available online at <http://rainbowstampnews.blogspot.com/>

#### **GPA NEWS**

Monthly, # 10, Apr 2013

Editor: Ilyas Patel

Publisher: Gujarat Philatelists' Association, Ahmedabad

Contact: [gpanews@gujaratphilately.com](mailto:gpanews@gujaratphilately.com)

#### **ITS STAMP NEWS**

Quarterly, Whole #60, Vol. 16 #2, Apr Jun 2013

Editor: Suraj Jaitly [surajjaitly@hotmail.com](mailto:surajjaitly@hotmail.com)

Publisher: Indian Thematic Society, Ludhiana <http://indianthematicstamps.webs.com>

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### **Stamps of India Online Offers**

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### **Gandhi Handbook**

Nearly 500 all color pages with 2000 illustrations of stamps, covers, coins, currency, and all other collectibles on Gandhi theme. Hardbound with slip case. Original publisher's price Rs 1,500 or US\$ 60, **NOW AVAILABLE FROM STAMPS OF INDIA AT 33% OFF AT RS 1,000 POSTPAID** anywhere in India. Overseas buyers please inquire for postal charges.

### **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 2,000. 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. **THIS CATALOG IS NOW ON SALE AT INCREDIBLE OFFER: BUY 1 GET 1 FREE!!!!** Please add Rs 50 for packing and postal charges for delivery by registered book post or Rs 200 for packing and postal charges for delivery by Speed post anywhere in India. For more information visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/SG-IN-CAT-2010.htm>

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### **Tata Consultancy Services Bags India Post Contract**

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) received an over Rs 11 billion (\$200 million) six year contract to modernize the information technology infrastructure of India Post. Under the contract, TCS will develop and support solutions for the department's email system, finance and accounting system and human resources and customer management and offer call centre services to post offices across India. TCS will also integrate the postal department's technology infrastructure and manage its centralized service desk operations.

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### **India Post Empanels Square Communications**

India Post has empanelled Square Communications as its creative partner. Square Communications will handle all requirements of the overall brand, India Post, and its five product services - Instant Money Order, Electronic Transmission of Money Order, Speed Post, Postal Life Insurance and Parcel Post - across India.

### **Forgeries & Frauds Alerts**

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

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### **Text ADS Stamps of India Collectors Companion**

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

### **Display Ads [www.stampsofindia.com](http://www.stampsofindia.com)**

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

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### **Recent & Forthcoming Events**

Jun 28-30: New Delhi, Third National Stamp Fair

Organizers: Philatelic Dealers Association

Venue: Aga Khan Hall, Bhagwan Das Road, New Delhi

Timings: 11am to 6pm

Dealers Stall: Rs 5,000

Auction: Spot Auction on Jun 28 & 29 at 6pm onwards

Contact: Ashish Talwar, Secretary General PDA, [talwar2002@hotmail.com](mailto:talwar2002@hotmail.com)

Nov 8-10: Thrissur, Thrissurpex 2013

Organizers: Philatelic Club Thrissur

Venue: Sri Sankara Hall, Vadakkemadam, Thrissur

Dealers Booth: Rs 7,000

Auction: Oswal Antiques on Nov 9 at 6pm

Contact: C J Vincent 098470 21886

Meetings of the Philatelic Organizations in India [www.stampsofindia.com/info base/clubmeet.htm](http://www.stampsofindia.com/info base/clubmeet.htm)

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