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

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## Jhingans Jottings

Hi,

The list of Indian exhibits accepted at NY 2016 World Stamp Show was communicated to the national commissioner on November 5, 2015. Sadly Only 7 out of 31 exhibit applications were successful.

The numbers of applications sent from India were also much less taking in to consideration that it is such a grand and prestigious show. If it was properly promoted by the national commissioner, we believe the numbers of applications could have easily touched 100.

And no one knows how many did he strongly recommended? The result is he got just 7 accepted; the exact minimum number for qualifying commissioner's privileges - a hotel room, a daily allowance, and two tickets to the awards banquet – that raises suspicion to say the least. Unfortunately we do have certain commissioners with a history to not carry even one more exhibit than necessary to claim the privileges. This is an identified problem.

The solution lies in that the commissioners should be uniformly instructed, their working monitored, and any incompetence and wilful negligence suitably dealt with.

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue:

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## Forthcoming Stamp Issues

Nov 14: Children's Day, Set of 2 Stamps & a Miniature Sheet

Nov 24: ?

Nov/Dec: Zoological Survey of India

Nov/Dec: Fire Services in India

Nov/Dec: Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)

Nov/Dec: Devaraj Urs

Nov/Dec: Singers (set of stamps)

Nov/Dec: Mahabharata & Ramayana

Nov/Dec: India Singapore Joint Issue

New issues along with the First Day Cover and the information sheet, at Rs 5 each, are put on sale at over 1000 selected Post Offices including all Philatelic Bureaus and Philatelic Counters in India.

The issues are scheduled and rescheduled for release at very short notice of couple of days only at times! Thus it is virtually 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 to us.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://stampsofindia.com/lists/2015stamps.html>

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### **Recent & Forthcoming Special Postmarks**

Oct 30: Lucknow, Sukanya Samridhi (Girl Child Prosperity Scheme), UTTARPEX 1/4

Oct 31: Lucknow, Digital India, UTTARPEX 2/4

Nov 01: Lucknow, Clean Gomti, UTTARPEX 3/4

Nov 02: Lucknow, Swamp Deer & Musk Deer, UTTARPEX 4/4

UTTARPEX Special Covers Sold for Rs 25 each along with a Brochure

ILLUSTRATED LISTS **Special Postmarks & Covers** <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2015pm.html>

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### **Ganga & Yamuna – From Origin to Confluence**

A set of 13 Picture postcards were issued on the occasion of the First Zonal Philatelic Exhibition of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand Circles of India Post at Lucknow from October 30 to November 2, 2015. The cards were mailed from selected post offices located on important places on the banks of Ganga and Yamuna, starting at their origins, Gangotri and Yamunotri and culminating at their confluence at Sangam in Allahabad.

The set containing 8 cards for Ganga, 4 for Yamuna, and 1 for Sangam was issued in limited edition of 500 individually numbered sets. The set priced at Rs 600 is available at the philatelic bureau, Lucknow.

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ILLUSTRATED LISTS **Stamp Booklets** <http://stampsofindia.com/lists/sb10.html>

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### **Philatelic Congress of India Elections**

The Philatelic Congress of India (PCI) is holding elections for its Governing Council for a two year term, 2016-2017 at Mumbai on Sunday, December 13, 2015. These elections are being held after a gap of 15 years and currently the Governing Council elected in 2000 for 2000-2002 is still continuing in office. An attempt was made to hold the elections in 2002 but the process could not be completed.

PCI is the national philatelic federation and members of International Philatelic Federation (FIP), and Inter Asia Philatelic Federation (FIAP). The election is for 17 seats voted by Institutional members and 6 seats voted by Individual members.

The new team will be led by Ajeet Singhee who his slated to take over as the President after the elections. PCI members, who know Singhee, have faith in him as well as have many expectations from him, and believe he is capable to steer PCI back in an active and influential role.

To make its governing body truly representative, it is imperative that persons well versed with state of affairs of the global philately in general and Indian philately in particular along with experience in administration and management must come forward to participate in the elections as candidates and voters. This is the time to fulfil the responsibility towards the organization for which one has the privilege to be a member.

Every PCI member must be present at the election venue at Mumbai on December 13 to vote in person, as the PCI rules, at present, do not provide for proxy voting. This is an appeal to all PCI members to make it convenient to attend the elections and vote in large numbers to make the elections a success and give strength to the democratic process of selecting a governing body that can truly further the philatelic interests of India.

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### **Pradip Jain Elected Fellow of Royal**

Renowned aero-philatelist and long time member of philatelic trade, Pradip Jain of Patna was elected the Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society London on October 21, 2015. Congratulations

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The names of volunteers and contributors will not be published, if so desired.

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## Recent & Forthcoming Events

\* Revised / Updated information

Nov 20-22, 2015: Panjab Numismatic Exhibition

Organizers: Panjab Numismatic & Heritage Trust

Venue: Lions Bhavan, Udham Singh Nagar, Ludhiana

Exhibits, Seminars & Auctions by Oswal Antiques & Todywalla will be held during the exhibition

~~\*Dec 4-6, 2015: Stamps of India National Exhibition~~

**Not being held this year, New Dates will be announced soon**

**India Post is expected to organize a State Level show in December.**

Organizers: Stamps of India

Venue: NDMC Convention Centre, Parliament Street, New Delhi 110001

Dec 10-12, 2015: COINEX PUNE 2015

Organizers: ICSRI Pune

Venue: Sonal Hall Karve Road, Pune 411004

Dec 25-27, 2015: Mudra Utsav

Organizers: Numismatic Society of Kolkata

Venue: Haldiram Banquets Hall, Ballyguange, Kolkata

Dec 26-28, 2015: Naturepex-2015, Philatelic Exhibition on Nature and Environment

Organizers: Eastern India Philatelists' Association

Venue: Bhubaneswar

Open to the exhibitors of Odisha, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Tripura, Nagaland, Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh

## 2016

Jan 7-9, 2016: 13<sup>th</sup> Kerapex, Kerala State Level Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: India Post

Venue: Sri Shankara Hall, M G Road, Thrissur

Open for participation to exhibitors of Kerala & Lakshadweep

Jan 8-10, 2016: Rare Fair 2016

Venue: Indraprastha Hall, Old Gangapur Naka, Gangapur Road, Nashik

Jan 16-18, 2016: Mahapex-2016, Maharashtra State Level Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: India Post

Venue: Regional Stamp Depot, Upnagar, Nashik

Jan 22-25, 2016: Tanapex-2016, Tamil Nadu State Level Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: India Post

Venue: Mother Teresa Exhibition Hall, near Valluvar Kottam, Nungambakkam, Chennai 600034

Open for participation to exhibitors of Tamil Nadu & Puducherry

Feb 5-7, 2016: Madhya Pradesh State Level Philatelic Exhibition

Organizers: India Post

Venue: Indore

Feb 26-28, 2016: National Numismatic Exhibition

Venue: The Bell Hotel, Majestic, Next to Bangalore City Railway Station, Bangalore

See Forthcoming Events online at <http://stampsofindia.com/events.htm>

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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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