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Jhingan's Jottings

Hi,

Thank you for your messages of appreciation on the new format and new look of this digital weekly. There still is some more work to do underneath and we hope to have a stable publishing program after mailing couple more issues.

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

M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue: Prashant Pandya, Gaurav Gupta, Rahul Ganguli, Sandip Murjani,

We invite your inputs

Feedback

Forthcoming Stamp Issues

Mar 21: Coimbatore Avila Convent Matriculation School

Mar 21: Hindustan Aeronautics Limited MyStamp

Mar 30: O P Jindal

Apr 14: Fire Services in India

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 as soon as it becomes available to us.

Stamps 2016

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited MyStamp

India Post will release My Stamp on Hindustan Aeronautics Limited on March 21, 2016. Please contact the Chief Postmaster, Bangalore GPO for these: Shivaram, mobile +919480887391, Email cpmbggpo@gmail.com / acpmphil@gmail.com . Payment can be remitted by eMO.





National Archives of India Stamp Released

Dr Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State for Culture (Independent Charge), Tourism (Independent Charge) and Civil Aviation, released the commemorative postage stamp at the closing ceremony of the 125th Year Celebrations of the National Archives of India, in New Delhi on March 11, 2016. Narendra Kumar Sinha, Secretary, Ministry of Culture, and other dignitaries were also present on the occasion.

Nenu Gupta designed the stamp, the First Day Cover, and the First Day of Issue postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 5 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed by wet offset process a total of 501,000 stamps each in the sheets of 45 stamps each.

Allahabad High Court Stamps Released

Pranab Mukherjee, President of India released a set of two commemorative postage

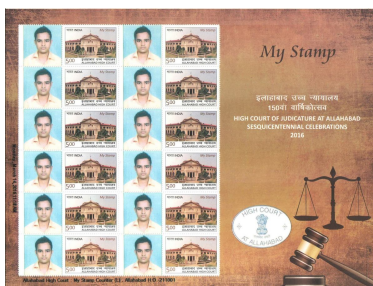


stamps and a miniature sheet on the occasion of the Sesquicentennial Celebrations of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad on March 13, 2016. Ram Naik, Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Justice T S Thakur, Chief Justice of India, D V Sadananda Gowda, Minister for Law & Justice, Akhilesh Yadav, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, and other dignitaries were also present.

The se-tenant stamps in the denomination of Rs 5 and Rs 15 depict the Lucknow Bench of Allahabad High Court and Allahabad High Court at Allahabad respectively. The First Day of Issue pictorial postmark was also provided in the Golden colour, in addition to the usual black, at Allahabad in the limited quantity.

Nenu Gupta designed the stamp, miniature sheet, the First Day Cover, and the First Day of Issue postmark. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 5 each. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed by wet offset process a total of 400,000 stamps each in the sheets of 42 stamps (21 se-tenant pairs) each. The miniature sheet was printed in the quantity of 50,000.

2016 Stamps



Allahabad High Court MyStamp

India Post released the 9th issue of MyStamp on Allahabad High Court on March 13, 2016. The sheetlet of 12 stamps is priced at Rs 300. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed by wet offset process a total of 5,000 sheetlets of 12 MyStamps each.

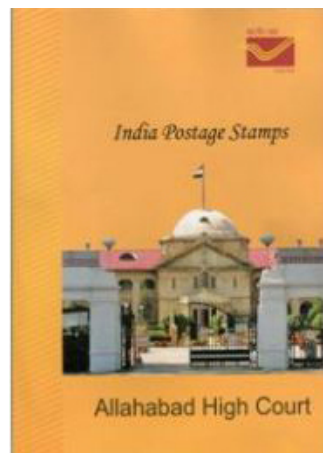
This is the 2nd sponsored issue, after International Fleet Review, where the proponent pays in advance for all the quantity.

The minimum quantity required to sponsor MyStamp is 10,000 sheetlets. However International Fleet Review was issued in the quantity of 5000 sheetlets only.

MyStamps

Allahabad High Court Presentation Pack

India Post released a Presentation Pack on Allahabad High Court on March 13, 2016. The pack is available at ePostOffice for Rs 250. The pack contains a Set of two stamps, Miniature Sheet, Brochure, Special Edition Golden Ink Allahabad Cancelled First Day Cover.



Presentation Packs



New Stamp Booklets

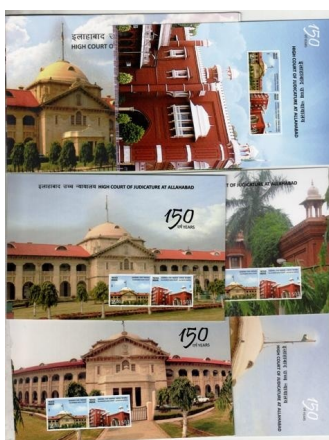
Kolkata GPO released two Stamp Booklets on March 11, 2016.

1. Birds and Wild Ass, Rs 75
2. Sea and Elephants, Rs 75

Stamp Booklets

Philatelic Exhibition at Allahabad High Court

Justice T S Thakur, Chief Justice of India inaugurated JUDIPEX 2016 philatelic exhibition organised by India Post with Phila Foundation Allahabad at the Allahabad High Court from March 13 to 15, 2016. The exhibits of Justice Pankaj Mittal, Professor Gopal Krishna Agarwal, Dr Maneekshi Bansal, M Gulrej, Manju Rastogi, Anil Rastogi, Umendra Jain, Anil Gupta, Dr Hari Om Agarwal, Reeshadul Islam, Rahul Ganguli and other philatelists were displayed in 38 frames. Justice T S Thakur released a Special Cover on the occasion.



Allahabad High Court Picture Post Cards

India Post released a set of 5 picture post cards on Allahabad High Court on March 13, 2016. The set of cards is available at ePostOffice for Rs 275.

Although India Post is calling these as Maxim Cards, these are not as each card has the se-tenant pair of stamps duly postmarked with the First Day of Issue pictorial postmark. To qualify as a Maxim Card "only one stamp should be affixed on the view side of picture postcard" as per India Post

Philatelic Awards System Chapter 2, Section 7, Article 2.2.1 on page 62 of India Post Handbook on Philatelic Exhibitions. This is also same as International Philatelic Federation (FIP) Guidelines for Judging Maximaphily Exhibits 3.1. "Only one postage stamp should be affixed on the view side of the picture postcard". Therefore these cards will not qualify to be shown in philatelic exhibitions organized by India Post and also those recognized and patronized by FIP as Maxim Cards. These of course are very much collectible as First Day Cards.

ePostOffice

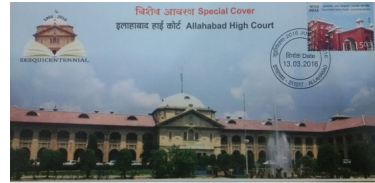
Recent & Forthcoming Special Postmarks

Feb 18: RAKNPA, Rafi Ahmed Kidwai National Postal Academy

Feb 20: Vijaywada, ALCAA EM School 10th Anniversary

Feb 26: Kottayam, 200 years of CMS College, Kottayam

Mar 13: Allahabad, JUDIPEX



Special Postmarks & Covers

Recent & Forthcoming Events

Apr 3, 2016: Grand Philatelic Auction

Venue: Rotary House of Friendship, Lavelle Road, Next to Regalis Hotel, Behind Bowring Institute, Bengaluru

Organizers: Karnataka Philatelic Society, Bengaluru

Apr 22-24, 2016: 25th Annual Shukla Day Coin and Philately Fair 2016

Venue: The Expo Center, First Floor, Arcade Building, World Trade Centre Complex, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai 400005

Organizers: Farokh S Todywalla, Mumbai

Contact: ShuklaDay@hotmail.com 098191 37884, 098191 37884

Dec 23-25, 2016: SIPA Diamond Jubilee National Philatelic Exhibition

Rescheduled New Dates to be announced

Venue: Shri Ramdayal Kalavathi Khemka Agarwal Sabha Bhavan, 22-C Bajanai Koil Street, Near D G Vaishnav College Naduvankarai, Anna Nagar, Chennai

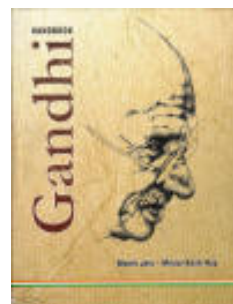
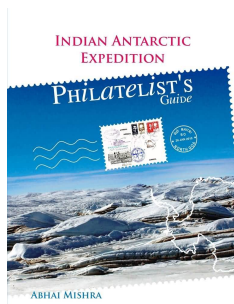
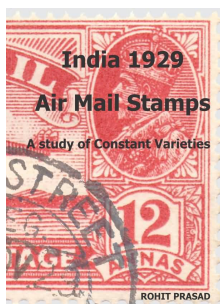
Organizers: South India Philatelists Association, Chennai

Jan 26 – 30, 2017: INPEX 2017 National Philatelic Exhibition

Venue: The Expo Center, First Floor, Arcade Building, World Trade Centre Complex, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai 400005

Organizers: Philatelic Society of India, Mumbai

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