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### JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

Welcome to the first issue of the first electronic newsletter of Indian philately. We have been working on launching it since long. The idea is to take the advantage of new technologies to promote the philately in India and Indian philately globally.

The purpose of this publication is to present the developments relating to the philately and postal history of India and to identify additional sources of information providing even more depth of coverage than is possible here. We hope that you will find the information presented useful and that the information will enable you to better enjoy your favorite hobby.

Our endeavor is to deliver on every Monday the coverage of philatelic happenings as well as information collected during the past week.

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

- M&SJ

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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NEW DIRECTOR (PHILATELY) JOINS

Mr. S C Jarodia joined on August 21, 2000 as the new Director (Philately) at the national headquarters of the India Post under the Ministry of Communications, Government of India. He replaces Mrs. Usha Chandrashekhar.

### FARE WELL, MR. KHANNA

Mr. Vijay Khanna, Postmaster General, Maharashtra Circle decided to take voluntary retirement from the service. Mr. Khanna needs no introduction amongst philatelists in the country. He is well known as an organizer of several highly successful philatelic exhibitions, and for his work on celebrations of Bombay GPO Bicentennial.

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## ALSO IN THE NEWS

### STAMPDOM'S FIRST INVERT ERROR!

Following is the extract from the "Editor's Choice" by Michael Laurence, the editor and publisher, Linn's Stamp News, issue dated August 28, 2000:

"In this column for June 26, I reviewed Stamp Show 2000, the big international show that took place in London in late May. That column provoked some late-arriving commentary from international readers.

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One of the poorly lit rarities on display at London, from the matchless Thomas Tapling collection, was a cover that I described as follows: "A pair of the 1854 4-anna India invert on a cover from Bombay, acquired by Tapling during a cricket tour of India in 1889. This is the only cover known bearing stampdom's first invert error."

An e-mail from Madhukar Jhingan of India takes issue with this statement, which I had cribbed from the Tapling write-up.

"This is actually the only cover known with a pair," Jhingan writes. "But there's another cover, native as the British would say, with a single stamp. It was originally in the collection of C.D. Desai, which was auctioned by Robson Lowe in 1949. Today it is in the collection of Mrs. Sita Bhateja of Bangalore, India. The collection was shown in the FIP championship class at Pacific 97."

I stand corrected. At least I got the part about the cricket tour right.

For those interested in the stamps of India, Jhingan hosts an interesting and useful web site, accessible on the internet at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/>

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### STAMPS

August 24

Migratory Birds Miniature Sheet, Rs. 12

August 26

Kodaikanal International School Centenary, Rs.15

## POSTAL STATIONERY

August 24

Postcard, Advertisement - Dabur Chyavanprash, in Hindi, India Security Press (ISP)

August 25

Postcard, Advertisement - Dabur Chyavanprash, in Marathi, ISP

Inland Letter Card, Advertisement - Dabur Chyavanprash, in Hindi, ISP

## POSTMARKS

September 04

Silver Jubilee of Indore Philatelic Bureau

Mr. L N Kanodia, Senior Postmaster, Indore GPO, 452 001 reports that a Special Cover priced Rs. 5 and a Directory priced Rs. 15 shall also be issued on the occasion. The directory will contain bio-data of 10 eminent philatelists of Indore and addresses of 679 stamp collectors. Only 2500 covers and 1000 copies of the directory are being printed and shall be supplied ONE EACH ONLY on first come first served basis. Remittances should be made through Money Order or Demand Drafts only.

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August 19

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August 20

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EVENTS

INDONESIA 2000, AUGUST 15 - 21

Mr. Edric C. Druce of Australia, the FIP Consultant, reports that the Organizing Committee of Indonesia 2000 informed that the World Philatelic Exhibition planned to be held from 15th to 21st August 2000 cannot take place as planned due to the following reasons: From 14th to 18th August the Indonesia People's Consultative Assembly - the highest political institution in the state of Indonesia - will hold an Annual Session in a building next door to the Jakarta Convention Center (JCC) where the exhibition was planned to be held. During the session there will be a very tough security, covering an area within a radius of five km, as such that no one without a very special permit will be allowed to enter. The Indonesian Police therefore strongly suggested to the organizers to postpone the philatelic exhibition as thousands of visitors were expected and which could not enter the JCC on the first three or four days.

The Organizing Committee of Indonesia 2000 is sorry for any inconvenience and asks to understand their difficult position.

The Organizing Committee is looking for a new date either 2001 or 2002 depending on the availability of the exhibition center.

Commissioners and jurors were informed directly by the Organizing Committee.

LUPHILA 2000 AUGUST 26-27

Suraj Jaitly reports that this exhibition is now postponed to March 2001.

Ludhiana Division of the Punjab Postal Circle is organizing LUPHILA 2000, a District Level Philatelic Exhibition at Punjab University Extension Library, Near Old Courts, Ludhiana, under the Chairmanship of Mr.M.K.Khan, Senior Superintendent of Post Office, Ludhiana.

This Exhibition first of its kind in Punjab Postal Circle, is open for school going kids and youth up to 25 years only. To mark this occasion a Souvenir and a set of two special covers on different topics are planned. There is a provision of stalls for philatelic dealers.

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