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Hi

The previous issue, #246 of November 10, 2005 was posted online on  
November 12, 2005. However it was not possible to deliver it in the  
inbox of your emails for purely technical reasons concerning Internet  
service providers (ISPs). We repeatedly tried and were able to send most  
on November 16, 2005 and the mailing was completed only on November 19,  
2005.

We are working to resolve this issue with the ISPs and having had  
already invested in additional infrastructure, hope to have smooth  
mailings in future.

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

- M&SJ

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Please send your queries in detail (images welcome) on all matters related to Philately and Postal History of India and Indian States. We will attempt to find an answer for you.

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FORTHCOMING STAMP ISSUES

Nov 17: World Summit on the Information Society, Rs 5  
Nov 19: Kolkata Police Commissionerate, Rs 5  
Nov 24: Newborn Health in India, Rs 5  
Dec 2: Jawaharlal Darda, Rs 5 NEW DATE postponed from Nov 22

These issues along with the First Day Cover and the information sheet, at Rs 2 each, shall be available on sale at nearly 1000 selected Post Offices including all Philatelic Bureaus and Counters in the country.

For an illustrated list of stamps in 2005, please visit  
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NEW STAMPS RELEASED

CHILDREN'S DAY

Dr Shakeel Ahmad, Minister of State for Communications & Information Technology, released a special postage stamp in the denomination of Rs5 on Children's Day on November 14, 2005 at the India Post Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair New Delhi.

India Post organizes an All India Stamp Design Competition every year and usually the First prize winner's painting is adopted for the next year's Children's Day stamp and 2nd prize winner's painting is adopted for the accompanying First Day Cover. This year's stamp design is based on a watercolor by Pallavi Majumdar of Bidya Bharti Girls High School, Kolkata and the design of the First Day cover is based on the painting by Sughosh S Neergundh of A Cadambi Vidya Kendra, Bangalore. These paintings were adjudged as the first and the Second in the competition on the theme of Festivals or Celebrations.

Alka Sharma designed the pictorial first day postmark. Brochure containing write-up and technical data was issued on the occasion. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. India Security Press printed the stamps by Photo Gravure in the quantity of 0.8 million in the sheets of 35 stamps.

CHILDREN'S FILM SOCIETY

Principal Chief Post Master General of Andhra Pradesh, T S Govindarajan released a postage stamp in the denomination of Rs5 to commemorate the golden jubilee of the Children's Film Society India (CFSI) at the inaugural function of the 14th International Children's Film Festival at Hyderabad on November 14, 2005.

The Children's Film Society, India (CFSI) was established in 1955 to provide children with clean and healthy value-based entertainment with a

view to look after their entertainment and educational needs through the medium of films. It is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India.

CFSI seeks to make and exhibit films that are specially suited for children. CFSI has made more than 100 feature films, 30 short animations, 9 puppet films as well as 52 short documentaries and news magazines. CFSI conducts District and State level Children's Film Festivals and provides films for screening to TV channels.

CFSI organizes International Children's Film Festival once every two years with a view to encourage exchange of ideas between film-makers and children and enable children to view the best of International Children's Cinema.

CFSI also conducts a wide variety of workshops so as to encourage a whole new brand of writers and filmmakers to create the children's cinema of tomorrow. Workshops in film making and appreciation of films are being organized for children and which includes acting, animation and TV production.

Procuring the exhibition rights of outstanding foreign films and serials is also one of the objectives of CFSI. These good films are dubbed in leading Indian languages before exhibition.

Kamleshwar Singh designed the Stamp. Nenu Gupta designed the First Day Cover and the pictorial first day postmark. Brochure containing write-up and technical data was issued on the occasion. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. India Security Press printed the stamps by Photo Gravure in the quantity of 0.8 million in the sheetlets of 20 stamps.

PHD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

Dr Shakeel Ahmad, Minister of State for Communications & Information Technology, released a commemorative postage stamp in the denomination of Rs5 to mark the centenary of PHD Chamber Of Commerce & Industry on November 16, 2005 at New Delhi.

Established in 1905, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry is the premier apex Chamber of Commerce serving trade, industry and commerce in ten northern Indian States, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, and one Union Territory, Chandigarh.

Since its inception, the Chamber has been a harbinger of change and an instrument of economic growth process as also contributing its bit in promoting trade and industry in the region. Initially in 1905, the Chamber was founded to represent the businesses located in the then undivided province of Punjab, North West Frontier Province and Kashmir.

It was originally founded as the Punjab Chamber of Commerce and adopted its new name Punjab and Delhi Chamber of Commerce in 1952. The term Industry was added to its name in 1964. The name PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry was adopted in 1981 with the expansion of the jurisdiction. The acronym PHD stands for Progress, Harmony, and Development.

Kamleshwar Singh designed the Stamp and the First Day Cover. Alka Sharma designed the pictorial first day postmark. Brochure containing write-up and technical data was issued on the occasion. The First Day Cover and the Brochure are priced at Rs 2 each. India Security Press printed the

stamps by Photo Gravure in the quantity of 0.8 million in the sheets of 16 stamps.

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RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Oct 9: Ahmadabad, World Post Day

For an illustrated list of special postmarks and covers in 2005, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/stamps/2005pm.htm>

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ARMY POSTAL SERVICE ISSUES

Oct 15: 15th Battalion The Garhwal Rifles Silver Jubilee

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AUCTION ACTION

A Mini Postal Auction Sale on Fiscals covering 300+ Lots is due on December 19, 2005. Please contact A K Dubey [a\\_k\\_dube@yahoo.com](mailto:a_k_dube@yahoo.com) A-62 Priyadarshini Nagar Bilaspur 495001 Telephone 07752 504715, Mobile 09893550447

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OUTSTANDING INDIA USED IN BURMA

David Feldman of Switzerland is offering by private treaty the double Grand Prix Collection of "India Used in Burma" in 128 album pages (8 frames).

This is the definitive collection. Not only a great collection of India Used Abroad but with so many important classic India items, recognized as the most impressive classic collection of India at the last International Exhibition in India - INDEPEX 1997 at which it was awarded the National Grand Prix.

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Further details & Price on Request from admin@davidfeldman.com

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DESIGN A STAMP CONTEST 2005

This year's theme for India Post's Design A Stamp Contest is 'My Favorite Mythological Hero' or 'My Favorite Fairy Tale'.

The contest will be open to all school students up to 17 years and there is no entry fee. There would be three groups of participants for the competition such as Group I (up to IV standard), Group II (V standard to VIII standard) and Group III (IX standard to XII standard).

The participants should bring their own drawing paper and a slip signed by the school authorities containing the particulars such as name of the student, date of birth, standard and section in which he / she studies and the name of the school.

The contest will be held in Chennai on November 20, 2005 between 10 am and noon at Sri Alamelu Manga Kalyana Mandapam and Sree Padmam Kalyana Mandapam, T Nagar.

The contest will be held in Mysore on November 27, 2005 at Postal Training Centre, Nazarbad, from 10 am to 12 noon. Application forms can be had from the office of Senior Superintendent of Post Offices, Mysore Division, Akashavani Circle, Yadavagiri, Mysore-570 020 (Ph: 2417307, 2417308). Last date to submit the filled application forms is November 24, 2005 before 5 pm.

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Nov 12-13: Jeypore, KORPEX Koraput District level

Nov 13-14: Ludhiana, LUPEX
Venue: Lions Bhawan, Udham Singh Nagar
Contact: Dr S K Sondhi sksondhil@sify.com 0 9815657647

Nov 14: Shillong, District level

Nov 16-17: Irinjalakuda, IPEX District level
Venue: Municipal Town Hall, Irinjalakuda (Trichur District)

Nov 17-19: New Delhi, Delhi East District level
Venue: Arwachin Bharti Bhavan Senior Secondary School, Vivek Vihar
Contact: Pulak Gupta 098680 92984

Nov 26-27: Muzaffarpur, district level
Contact: Shyam Surekha 0 98354 69903
Leprosy Lichi

Nov 28-29: Indore, district level

Dec 6-8: Jamshedpur, district level REVISED DATES
Venue: Tulsi Bhawan, Bistupur
Contact: Ashok Tiwary 0 93346 17581

Dec: Jammu, Army Postal Service

Dec: Puri, district level

Dec 15-16: Kolkata, Dealers Bourse
Venue: Swarbhumi The Hermitage Plaza
Contact: Kalyan Negal knegal@vsnl.net, Arun Bhattacharya 0 98304 12286

Dec 17-19: Kolkata, State Level, NEW DATES
Venue: Rangmunch, Swarbhumi The Hermitage Plaza
Contact: Madhukar Deogawanka, 0 98311 51219

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Jan 14-15: Chandigarh, district level

Jan: Sambalpur, district level

Jan: Kolkata, Army Postal Service

Feb: Hyderabad, Army Postal Service

Mar: Kamptee, Army Postal Service

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MEETINGS

The schedule of meetings of the philatelic organizations in India is available at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/clubmeet.htm>

RECENT PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS

SIPA Bulletin, Vol. 25 # 2, Mar Apr 2005, Bi-monthly
Editor: G Madan Mohan Das
Publisher: South India Philatelists Association
Address: 21 (Old), 2nd Floor, E V K Sampath Road, Vepery, Chennai 600007
Annual Subscription: Not Indicated

For a list of Indian periodicals, please visit
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/a602.htm>

FAKE STAMP SCAM UPDATES

Shahida, the wife of nationwide multibillion rupee fake stamp scam case prime accused Abdul Karim Telgi, surrendered before the Special Maharashtra Control of Organized Crime Act (MCOCA) Judge B N Sardeshpande's Court, on November 15, 2005.

She was earlier interrogated as a witness several times by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and finally became the 67th accused in the case.

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<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>

ALSO IN THE NEWS

HEROES OF VIDEO GAMES

The French postal service (La Poste) issued a set of 10 stamps on November 14, 2005 featuring Heroes of Video Games: Nintendo's Mario, Link from The Legend of Zelda, Donkey Kong, Pac-Man, Prince of Persia's title character, Rayman, Lara Croft, The Sims, Spyro the Dragon, and French game character Adibou.

The stamps are produced se-tenant in sheets of 10 selling for Euro 2.65 for the set. A 60-page book celebrating the stamps and gaming is also available for Euro 15.

France is known for being one of the hotbeds of game development, with big names such as Eidos, Infogrames, and Ubisoft calling the country home.

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#### NEWSSCAN

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

Indian Express, November 13, 2005

SQUARE INCHES OF PAPERS THAT TRAVEL PLACES AND TELL STORIES

<http://cities.expressindia.com/fullstory.php?newsid=157032>

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STAMPS ON INDIA <http://www.stampsonindia.com>

The site devoted to the stamps from all over the world on Indian topics

#### INDIAN POSTAL GUIDE 1869

The first issue of the official postal guide, reprinted by Stamps of India 2004, 236 pages, hardbound, enlarged from original octavo to A4 size, limited edition, Special price - Rs 2750 post paid worldwide.

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