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JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

Welcome to the first issue of the 9<sup>th</sup> year of publication.

We regret the late publication of this issue and hope get back on schedule soon.

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

- M&SJ

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We invite your inputs, please email to [writeback@stampsofindia.com](mailto:writeback@stampsofindia.com)

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Report the philatelic activities in your area for publication here. We shall reimburse the costs incurred on images, philatelic items issued, publications, courier and other agreed charges.

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

Sep 05: J P Naik,

New issues along with the First Day Cover and the information sheet, at Rs 2 each, are put on sale on sale at nearly 1000 selected Post Offices including all Philatelic Bureaus and Philatelic Counters in India.

For an illustrated list of stamps in 2007, please visit  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/stamps/2007stamps.htm>

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The complete illustrated list of Meghdoot Post Card is available at:
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/meghdoot.htm>

For an illustrated list of all kinds of Postcards in 2007, visit
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RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

- Jun 20: Mumbai, Cancer Aid & Research Foundation - Foundation Day
- Jun 23: Jodhpur, Jodhpur Railway 125 years
- Jul 20: Mumbai, Bank of Baroda Centenary
- Jul 28: Jamshedpur, Parents Association of Mentally Handicapped
- Aug 16: Mumbai, National Society of the Friends of Trees Golden Jubilee
- Aug 18: Mumbai, Bombay College of Pharmacy Golden Jubilee
- Aug 24: Mumbai, Decommission of INS Udaygiri

For an illustrated list of Special Postmarks & Covers in 2007, visit  
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For an illustrated list of Army Postal Service Issues in 2007, visit  
<http://stampsofindia.com/lists/pmk/aps/2007aps.htm>

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RAKHI ENVELOPES

This year India Post reissued same 4 designs as last year in the Dupont Tyvek material all over India. However 4 postal circles had advertisements on 2 or 3 selected designs. Last year only Rajasthan Postal Circle had advertisements on Rakhi envelopes.

This year Rajasthan innovated further and had a new design different than the 4 released all India for its sponsor. Rajasthan also brought out a Rakhi package priced at Rs 25 consisting of everything, except sweets, i.e. a Rakhi, a Rakhi greeting card, a Rakhi envelope affixed with a Rs 5 stamp, and a sachet of color a& grains of rice for Tilak.

In all we have 11 different envelopes reported this year.

For an illustrated list of Rakhi Envelopes Issues in 2007, visit
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/pss/rakhi.htm>

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AUCTION ACTION

Christoph Gärtner of Germany <http://www.auktionen-gaertner.de> will be holding autumn auction on 4 days from September 11 to 14, 2007. There are several lots of India interest in this auction of nearly 15000 lots

and we have detailed the one India lot estimated at over half a million Euros in the previous issue.

On September 14, 2007 the Gartner will auction the first part of the archives of Fournier, the Security Printer from Spain. This archive contains hundreds of unique items like drawings of adopted and unadopted designs, die-proofs, plate-proofs, color-proofs, progressive-proofs, etc from 40 countries printed in the 60s till the early 90s. This is an excellent opportunity for thematic collectors.

Professor Dr Damian Läge, the president of the FIP Thematic Commission, has written a comprehensive article with the help of the Fournier Archives. We believe that this article is going to be the standard reference to correctly identify the whole range of archive material. This article is now available by a special arrangement with the Gärtner for free download at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/readroom.htm>

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INDIA POST'S FIRST FLIGHT

A Raja, Minister of Communications and Information Technology launched the India Post Freighter for North East at Guwahati on August 29, 2007.

India Post has taken a landmark decision to have its own air freight operations in North East. A Boeing 737-200 has been chartered from Indian Airlines, for one year to begin with, to operate on Kolkata-Guwahati-Imphal-Agartala-Kolkata sector.

Indian Airlines after its recent merger with Air India is now known as Air India. This event also launched the newly formed Air India Cargo Service.

India Post has brought out a First Flight Cover on this occasion that is available at all philatelic bureaus.

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Aug 24-26: Cochin, Coins & Stamps Exhibition

The Kerala Numismatic Society, Kochi have conducted 3 day Coin and stamp Exhibition and a dealers bourse at Town Hall, Kochi from August 24 to 26, 2007 in conjunction with the most important festival of Kerala, Onam. Around 40 dealers from all over India have participated in this event.

Though the size of the exhibits is small, the collectors of coins and stamps had an opportunity to see some of the fine collections of silver, gold coins of Cochin and Travancore state. Also three Scinde Dawks were on display by a philatelist from Trichur.

Two special covers were released, one each on the August 24 and 25, 2007. The release of a cover on board "Stella Maria" overshadowed all the other events. In the evening at 8 PM the Post Master General Shoba Kosy released the cover in the Arabian Sea and was received by Paul Alukkas the chairman of Alukkas group of Companies, Kochi. The organizers claims the issue of a special cover on board of a ship is the first time in world history such an event have took place. A limited 500 covers were issued at Rs.100 each. Some covers were autographed by the mate of the ship and the PMG. The boat returned back after 4 hours with an onboard auction for stamps and coins for 1 hour.

William Re 1 coin went up to Rs 850 and sold and a set of UPU & Mask miniature sheet realized Rs 1400 is the highlight of the auction.

The hospitality extended to the dealers and guests by the Society is worthy of mention.

Aug 31-Sep 2: Mumbai, Coins & Banknotes

Sep 29-Oct 3: Surat, Mahatma Gandhi Stamps and Memorabilia Exhibition  
Contact: Ramavtar Jain 0 93777 66365

Sep 30-Oct 2: Gwalior, Coins & Stamps Exhibition

Oct 6-8: Ahmedabad, Gujarat State Philatelic Exhibition

Oct 26-29: Jaipur, 12th Inter School Philatelic Exhibition Schoolpex  
Venue: St Xavier's School  
Issues: 2 special covers including 1 scented cover,  
Facilities: Sales Stalls for Rs 600, accommodation assistance  
Contact: Rajesh Paharia, Mobile 9351716969

Oct 31-Nov 2: Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh State Philatelic Exhibition

Nov 30-Dec 2: New Delhi, Coins & Banknotes

For a list of exhibitions in 2007, please visit  
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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>

#### THE CALENDAR OF WORLDWIDE PHILATELIC AUCTIONS

The Calendar for September 2007 has been updated and is now available at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/2auctions.htm>

This information is provided by special arrangement with Charles E Cwiakala and updates to this information are available at their comprehensive Website [www.cwiakala.com](http://www.cwiakala.com).

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Contact MADHUKAR DEOGAWANKA [deogawanka@satyam.net.in](mailto:deogawanka@satyam.net.in)

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Please send your offers to RAMAWTAR B JAIN, Mobile: 093777 66365

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<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>
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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. Credit cards accepted <http://www.stampsofindia.com/99999.htm>  
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