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- 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

Oct 10 R K Narayan  
Oct 11 Dineshnandini Dalmia  
Oct 12 India Post Freighter Carrier  
Oct 14 Heritage Temples, 2 Stamps 1.Dilwara Temple, 2.Ranakpur Temple:

Now days, issues are scheduled and rescheduled for release at very short notice say couple of days! As you can see that the world is moving at very fast pace and we are still bringing out an issue only after 7 long days. Thus it is 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.

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 2009, please visit  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/stamps/2009stamps.htm>

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NEW STAMP RELEASED

RARE FAUNA OF THE NORTH EAST

India Post released a set of 3 special postage stamps and a miniature sheet on October 1, 2009 on the Rare Fauna of the North East. The stamps in the denomination of Rs 5 each depict Red Panda, Marbled Cat, and Phayre's Leaf Monkey.

Suresh Kumar 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. Security Printing Press, Hyderabad printed 0.8 million stamps by wet offset process. The miniature sheet is produced in the quantity of 0.2 million.

MAHATMA GANDHI & NON VIOLENCE

India Post released a special definitive postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 25, overseas airmail letter rate, on October 2, 2009 on Mahatma Gandhi & Non Violence. This day being the 140th Birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi as well as the 3rd International Day of Non Violence was celebrated worldwide.

Alka Sharma designed the pictorial first day postmark. The First Day Cover priced at Rs 2 each was issued. However Brochure was not issued on this occasion. India Security Press, Nasik printed the stamps by photogravure process in the sheets of 70.

BISHOP COTTON SCHOOL, SHIMLA

India Post released a commemorative postage stamp in the denomination of Rs 5 on October 6, 2009 on the Bishop Cotton School, Shimla.

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, Nasik printed 0.4 million stamps by wet offset process in the sheets of 40.

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For viewing the images of Stamp Packs issued in 2009 please visit,  
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NEW ISSUES AVAILABILITY STATUS

AWAITED

Aug 16: Heritage Railway Stations of India, Miniature Sheet
Oct 1: Rare Fauna of the North East, 3 Stamps + Miniature Sheet
Oct 6: Bishop Cotton School, Stamp

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For an illustrated list of Aerogramme & Inland Letter in 2009, visit  
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The complete illustrated listing of Meghdoot Post Card is available at:  
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/meghdoot.htm>

For an illustrated list of all kinds of Postcards in 2009, visit  
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NEW SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Aug 22: Chennai, 370th Madras Day
Madras Heritage Lovers celebrated 370th year of the foundation of Madras with an exhibition of Old Maps, Photographs, Books and Coins on Madras at P S High School, R K Mutt Road, Mylapore, Chennai. The exhibition remained open from August 22 to 24, 2009. S K Chakrabarti, the Chief Postmaster General of Tamil Nadu Circle released the special cover designed by D H Rao on August 22, 2009. This year's theme was 'Bridges of Prosperity' focusing on graceful Arch Bridges of Madras and the organizers brought out a set of 18 postcards featuring these bridges. The special cover and the set of 18 postcards is priced at Rs 25 and Rs 150 respectively. Please contact D H Rao dhraoships@yahoo.com for your orders.

Sep 5: Lucknow, Northern Railway The Bharat Scouts & Guides Lucknow District

Sep 11: Ahmedabad, Magen Abraham Synagogue, 75 Years of

For an illustrated list of Special Postmarks & Covers in 2009, visit
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/pmk/2009pm.htm>

For an illustrated list of Army Postal Service Issues in 2009, visit
<http://stampsofindia.com/lists/pmk/aps/2009aps.htm>
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STANLEY GIBBONS INDIA STAMP CATALOGUE

Stanley Gibbons released the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of its India Catalog. The 240 page catalog is priced at £22.50 equivalent approximately to Indian Rupees 1800. However there is a very special price of Rs 750 for India. Stamps of India offer this on a first come first serve basis with free postage, by Express Mail Service - Speed Post, on all prepaid orders. Contact [orders@stampsofindia.com](mailto:orders@stampsofindia.com) right away and reserve your copy.

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The catalog was published on August 20, 2009 and its first shipment arrived in India on September 14, 2009. We have already fulfilled the orders received till September 9, 2009 by September 22, 2009 before being completely sold out. The second shipment has since arrived now and those orders received after September 9, 2009 are being ready to be in mail by October 9, 2009.

For more details of Stanley Gibbons India Stamp Catalogue please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/SG-IN-CAT-2010.htm>

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NEW STAMP BOOKLET

2009 Oct 2: Mahatma Gandhi & Non-Violence
Issued by Baroda Philatelic Society, Vadodara with approval of India Post
Sold for Rs 100 along with a Special Cover and 10 Self-Adhesive Labels

For viewing the images of Stamp Booklets please visit,
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CHENNAI RAILWAY STATION MAXIM CARD

Aug 16: Chennai Railway Station

For an illustrated list of Maxim Cards created for the Issues of 2009, Please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2009mc.htm>

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AUCTION ACTION

Indian Thematic Society indianthematicsociety@gmail.com is holding its Postal Auction # 46. The auction with 125 lots is closing on October 24, 2009. The scans of some lots are available at http://www.flickr.com/photos/its_offers.

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FORGERIES & FRAUDS ALERTS

The eBay items #320396927344 and 320400703508 described as "India 1883-99 QV SG O40 On HMS Double Overprint Cat £1200" and "India 1935 Silver Jubilee 3.5 Anna 'Bird Flaw' Cat £90" are doubtful as reported by persons who specialize the errors of British India. The items location is shown as New Delhi, India while the telephone number provided is that of Amritsar, Punjab, which adds to the doubt. Caveat emptor!

If you detect forgeries and frauds of Indian philatelic items, please inform to [suspect@stampsofindia.com](mailto:suspect@stampsofindia.com). The names of volunteers and contributors will not be published, if so desired.

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RECENT PHILATELIC PERIODICALS

KARPHILA NEWS, Vol.1 #2, October 2009, Bi-Monthly
Editor: Akshay Borad
Publisher: Karnataka Philatelic Society, Bangalore
Annual Subscription: Not Indicated

RAINBOW STAMP NEWS, Whole #22, Oct 2009, Monthly
Editor: Jeevan Jyoti j.jyoti9@gmail.com
Publisher: Jeevan Jyoti, Shamshi, Kullu
Annual Subscription: Free
Also available online at <http://rainbowstampnews.blogspot.com/>

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

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A N KAGAL PASSES AWAY

Anant N Kagal a renowned philatelist expired on September 29, 2009 at the age of 93 years at Bangalore. His collecting interests included Jaipur State and Police. He retired from Indian Police Service. He was also associated with the first Asian international Philatelic Exhibition held in Bangalore in 1977 as a member of the Security committee.

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Oct 30-31 & Nov 1: Pune, Stampex - National Stamps Fair
Organizer: International Collectors Society of Rare Items
Venue: Sonal Hall, Karve Road,
Sales Booth: Rs 6,000
Contact: Pratisad Neurgaonkar pratisad@hotmail.com mobile 09766310553

Nov 20-22: Palakkad, Annual Stamp & Coin Exhibition
Venue: Town Hall Annex
Contact: 9847660217, 9446791629 for Dealers Stall

Dec 17-20: Vadodara, StampMania-2009 One Frame National Exhibition
Organizer: Baroda Philatelic Society www.vadophil.org
Venue: Shree Saurashtra Leuva Patel Seva Samaj, Alembic Road
Contact: Prashant H Pandya info@vadophil.org
Website: www.stampmania2009.com

2010

Jan 8-10: Calicut, COIN FEST-2010
Organizer: Calicut Numismatic Society numisclt@gmail.com
Sales Booth: Rs 2,500
Contact: Soorej 09447124066 soorejsks@yahoo.co.in

For a list of exhibitions in 2008, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/events2009.htm>

MEETINGS

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

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SOUTH ASIA NEW ISSUES

[http://www.stampsofindia.com/newssite/south\\_asia\\_new\\_issues.htm](http://www.stampsofindia.com/newssite/south_asia_new_issues.htm)

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

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