

# Stamps of India Collectors Companion

The News, Views, & Features on Philately & Postal Services of India

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## Jhingans Jottings

Hi

With every new version of software, there is a learning curve for the user. This adage fitted the perfectly when the service provider we use to mail this digital weekly upgraded their software. We were able to deliver the issue #463, as an attachment, only at our third attempt.

This not only brought in a flood of mail reporting the missing attachment of the two attempts but also reporting that third attempt indeed was successful. We thank you for wonderful feedback and support.

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue:

We invite your [inputs](#)

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## National Stamp Fair

The visitors and the participants to the super successful 'Stamp Collectors Meet' held from February 12 to 14, 2001 at the National Sports Club, New Delhi have recounted their experience in glowing terms. To build on this goodwill and to carry on the momentum, the Philatelic Dealers Association has announced holding of National Stamp Fair from June 10, 11, and 12, 2011 at New Delhi.

The venue this time is bigger, air-conditioned and centrally located around Connaught Place. Still the table price is kept at Rs 5,000 only keeping in the view of promoting philately on no profit no loss basis. Please book your table now, contact Ashish Talwar at talwar2002@hotmail.com or call him on 09810186108.

Every table will be accompanied by 2 chairs and lunch for 2 persons per table will also be provided. Steel Cupboards have to be booked in advance and will be available for hire at an additional charge.

Accommodation to suit all budgets is available in nearby Pahar Ganj hotels.

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## Forthcoming Stamp Issues

Apr 22: Chitralkha

Apr 30: Umrao Kanwar Maharaj Saa "Archana"

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

Now days, issues are scheduled and rescheduled for release at very short notice say couple of 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.

ILLUSTRATED LISTS <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011stamps.htm>

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### **New Issues Availability Status**

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2008: Aldabra Giant Tortoise, Miniature Sheet

2009: Heritage Jain Temples, Miniature Sheet

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### **Army Postal Service Issues**

Jan 08: Presentation of President's Colors to 9 Base Repair Depot Indian Air Force

Jan 08: Presentation of President's Standard 31 Squadron Air Force

Feb 01: 6th Battalion Maratha Light Infantry Golden Jubilee

Feb 12: Army Dental Corps First Reunion

Feb 19: 2nd Battalion First Gorkha Rifles 125th Raising Day

Feb 25: 5th Battalion Jammu & Kashmir Rifles Golden Jubilee

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**Army Postal Service Issues** <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011aps.htm>

**Special Postmarks 2011** <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2011pm.htm>

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### **Stanley Gibbons India Catalog**

Stanley Gibbons published the third edition of its India and Indian States Catalog on Aug 20, 2009 at £22.50 equivalent approximately to Indian Rupees 1800. However there was a very special price of Rs 750 for India for this all color 240 page catalog. We had distributed it all over India.

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for more information please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/SG-IN-CAT-2010.htm>

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### **Stolen Postal Orders & Savings Certificates**

Central Bureau of Investigations(CBI) carried out raids on March 26, 2011 after the recovery of a large quantity of Postal Orders and Saving Certificates from the Railway yard at Patna. The raids were also carried out at offices and homes of the Railway Protection Force personnel in Dhanbad and Kolkata.

Over Rs 1000 million, about US\$ 22 million, worth of Saving Postal Orders and Saving Certificates had been found to be missing since 1994 according to an official estimate. Considering the scope and scale of the theft, involvement of contractors, politicians, railway and postal officials of Patna has

not been ruled out. The Government Railway Police did not take any action all this time except recording few First Information Reports.

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### **Forgeries & Frauds Alerts**

If you detect forgeries and frauds of Indian philatelic items, report 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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### **Advertisements Tariff**

**Text ADS** Stamps of India Collectors Companion

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/other/siteguide/TextAdsTariff.htm>

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<http://www.stampsofindia.com/other/siteguide/DisplayAdTariff.htm>

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### **Recent & Forthcoming Events**

Mar 21: Patna, Philatelic Exhibition, duration 1 month

Timings: 10 am to 6 pm

Organizers: India Post

Venue: Patna GPO

Apr 21-24: Mumbai, 20th Annual Shukla Day Numismatic & Philatelic Fair

Timings: 2 pm to 7 pm

Organizers: Todywalla auctions

Venue: World Trade Center, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai

Stalls: 4 square meters, Special rate for Philatelists (Limited Stalls available) Rs 9,000

Contact: Kaizad Todywalla, 0 9819872202

Website: [www.shukladay.com](http://www.shukladay.com) (Online from Mar 25, 2011)

Auction Schedule: Apr 22 - 3pm Philatelic, Apr 22 - 6pm Numismatic, Apr 23 - 6pm Numismatic

May 6-8: Bangalore, National Numismatic Exhibition

Timings: 10am to 7 pm

Organizers: Marudhar Arts

Venue: The Bell Hotel, Adjacent to City Railway Station & Opposite Majestic Bus Station

Contact: Rajender Maru, 0 80 6532 9800

Tables: Rs 9,000 includes Lunch, and Snacks for 2 persons

Auction Schedule: Oswal Auctions May 6 - 6pm Philatelic, May 7 - 6pm Numismatic

Website: [www.marudhararts.com/exhi.php](http://www.marudhararts.com/exhi.php)

Jun 10-12: New Delhi, National Stamp Fair

Timings: To be announced

Organizers: Philatelic Dealers Association

Venue: To be announced  
Contact: Ashish Talwar talwar2002@hotmail.com 0 9810186108  
Tables: Rs 5,000 includes Lunch for 2 persons  
Auction Schedule:  
Website: To be announced

Nov 3-6: New Delhi, **Stamps of India National Exhibition**

Venue: NSIC Exhibition Complex, Okhla Industrial Estate, Govindpuri Metro Station

Timings: 11am to 7 pm

Organizers: Stamps of India

Contact: sj@stampsofindia.com

Sales Stalls: Rs 20,000 covers 44 Square feet (2 x 2 meters) and includes a table, two chairs, name board, an electrical point, floor carpet, and lunch & snacks for two persons

Website: [www.stampsofindia.com/sine.html](http://www.stampsofindia.com/sine.html)

Nov 18-20: Thrissur, THRISSURPEX 2011 Philatelic & Numismatic Exhibition

Organizers: Philatelic Club Thrissur

Venue: Pandy Samooha Madom Hall

Contact: C J Vincent, 0 98470 21886

[Meetings of the Philatelic Organizations in India](http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/clubmeet.htm) [www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/clubmeet.htm](http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/clubmeet.htm)

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### **Readers Forum**

Dear Reader, Your feedback is important to us as it helps evolve this digital newsweekly. Please let us have your thoughts and suggestions.

**P Sharma**, New Delhi

I tried to get registered at the new epostoffice site as I read from your latest issue that Gandhi Khadi stamps are available and can be ordered from the site.

I could not find where I could register.

1. I sent a mail on the address given of Director Philately - on email address provided on site.
2. I also sent a mail to register myself to get the Philatelic News Letter to the mail address given.

Both the mails were returned as undelivered. I am forwarding both the mail for your perusal.

One small instance how public money is wasted and the public waste their time and energy.

Wonder when small things can be set right in Govt.????

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### **Features & Resources**

[Indian Laws Relevant to Philately](http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/laws.htm) <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/laws.htm>

[Report Cyber Crime & Internet Fraud](http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm) <http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>

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The Hub Site of Indian Philately

[Princely States Report](http://www.princelystates.com/) <http://www.princelystates.com/>

Journal of Indian States History, Philately & Numismatics

[Stamps on India](http://www.stampsonindia.com/) <http://www.stampsonindia.com/>

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

[Reprints of Rare & Out of Print Official Publications of Indian Post Office & Indian Princely States](http://www.stampsofindia.com/shop/2Reprints.htm)

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