



ONE PAGE, ONE THEME

Philatelic Bouquet of
Creative Presentations



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Same Personality...2 Stamps on 2 Occasions

India in Space

UJARAT

मुन्नराती

Diamond Shape Stamps

Bharat Ratna

INDIA

Mother & Child

Stamps on Stamps

Postal Siblings...Definitive...

Rules of Indian Purely States

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The Author

Praful K. Thakkar is the collector of autographs, stamps, FDCs, coins, medals, tokens, badges, badge plates etc. since last more than 45 years. He got a legacy of art and numismatic understanding and insight from his father. He developed the hobby of collecting Art, Autographs and Numismatic objects in his own way. '*Share the Knowledge & Spread the Knowledge*' is the motto of his life. And in true spirit of his life's motto, besides authoring several learned publications on Indian culture in Gujarati, he has authored 'Collector's Guide to Indian Canteen Tokens', 'Collector's Guide to Membership Badges of Turf & Race Clubs of India', 'Collector's Guide to Chronologies of Sultans, Rulers & Colonial Heads of India' and 'Chapras : Collector's Guide to Belt Buckles, Badges and Badge Plates of India', 'Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders of India 1947-1964 Official & Private', 'Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders with Set of Stamps, Se-tenant Stamps & Miniature Sheets', 'Collector's Guide to British India Bazar Postcards - Edwardian & Georgian Period' and 'Glimpses of Indian Autographs'. His philately book has received awards in International Philatelic Exhibitions at Portugal, South Africa, Washington-USA, Chicago-USA, Tokyo-Japan and Jakarta-Indonesia.

As I.A.S. officer he has served the Government of Gujarat for more than 31 years on various posts as Collector Valsad, Commissioner Rural Development, Secretary Revenue Department and on many such challenging jobs. Even after retirement he has still continued this hobby and he firmly believes '*Hobby is for Health & Hobby is for Happiness*'.

The hobbies of Autograph, Philatelic and Numismatic collection have given him new energy and enthusiasm. For him any such hobby is a worship that keeps him pure, fit and healthy. People have hobbies for happiness and harvesting profit in future. For him it is for keeping good health too.

As a collector of various collectibles, he has faced many a difficulties in collecting, understanding and arranging the collection. The same may be happening to new collectors and they might be facing similar hurdles too. To overcome such situations and to encourage various hobbies and to preserve such a classic collection of Indian heritage, he is tirelessly working hard. Apart from writing books on various hobbies, he has also made attempts through websites.

His three websites www.indiannumismatics.com, www.indianautographs.com and www.indianphilatelics.com have made landmarks in their respective hobby-fields of Philatelics, Numismatics and Autograph collection.

In 2008, The Numismatic Society of India Varanasi, Indian Coin Society, Nagpur and Indian National Trust for Art Culture and Heritage, Gwalior have awarded him the 'Life Time Achievement Award' for his innumerable and invaluable contribution to Indian Numismatics and Para-numismatics in all its aspects.

In 2009, he has been considered as National record holder by Limca Book of Records and has been placed as record holder for his collections of Autographs and Indian Canteen Tokens.

In the same year 2009, Gujarat Coin Society took cognisance of his excellent works and achievements and has also given him 'Life Time Achievement Award' for his outstanding service to numismatic fraternity. He has rendered his services as Chairman in Coinex-2006 and Coinex-2010, which were National Level Numismatic Exhibitions organised by Gujarat Coin Society, Ahmedabad. And he has successfully accomplished his mission.

In 2011, Lohana Maha Parishad, Ahmedabad has awarded him an International level 'Vishisht Raghuvanshi Pratibha Award' recognising and appreciating his vivid activities and hobbies.

Print media and TV media have, time and again, covered his various themes of collection.

Through this book 'One Page, One Theme', he has made a painstaking effort to give a direction and dimension to organize fascinating subject of modern Indian philately.

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Preface

Stamp collecting is a hobby where stamps are collected and preserved date wise and year wise. They are artistically arranged chronologically as and when they are issued.

However during my pursuit of this hobby, I found that the Stamps, both Commemorative & Definitive, have varieties in color, designs, write-ups, denominations etc. I was seeing or rather staring at Stamps for hours and saw or rather felt that they have something to tell me about their specialties. They as my Hobby-Friends whispered about their varieties and variations; their associated similarities with other stamps issued, after the interval of some time or on different occasions. I enjoyed their friendly whisper and as inspired by them arranged them 'Theme wise'. I devoted 'One Page for One Theme'....and this arrangement gave a new direction and dimension to my stamp collection. It started giving me tremendous happiness. I am trying to share my happiness and understanding of this fascinating subject with fellow philatelists.

I must admit that it consumed lot of time. But nevertheless it gave me great pleasure and satisfaction. Every day I could listen to some sonorous music of stamps. They explained their beauty...I was guided by them. I made Pages and Pages of different 'One Page.'

This book is the result of my great and happy journey with my friends...STAMPS which are created and designed by those designers who have made them appropriate, attractive, beautiful and expressive. My congratulations and humble regards to India Post and its designers for producing such marvelous stamps on various Themes.

The Pages are prepared with a very short Introduction of the 'Theme' in the beginning of the 'Page'. I made these Pages for my satisfaction and happiness. But just as 'Share the Knowledge - Spread the Knowledge' is motto of my life, 'Share the Happiness – Spread the Happiness' is another understanding of my life which is the root cause of making this book. I felt that if I share these Pages with fellow philatelists, then they would also have the same happiness; STAMPS would also become their friends and would also tell them about so many new facets which are still hidden in them.

My journey of collecting theme wise stamps and arranging them in one Page consumed lot of time and energy. This travel with Stamps was little difficult but was thrilling and exciting. As I had experienced the difficulty, I thought that if there is a guideline type book, for this type of collecting and presenting the stamps, it would save the Collector's valuable time and energy. This inspiration is the Origin of making this book which would be of great help to them to start with.

I am highly grateful to Yogi Mehta, Ahmedabad who has given me continuous support and encouragement. I wish to thankfully acknowledge the help given by Susheel Bansal, Nashik who supported me at every step in this journey. I also would like to thank Mainak Kathiara, Ahmedabad who also has helped me, as usual in this endeavor too. I am also thankful to Prashant Pandya, Vadodara for his educating and enlightening articles in Vadophil.

I have tried to be as accurate as possible in compiling. However, if at all there is any lapse, kindly bear with me and let me know so that it can be corrected. I would be most happy when the philatelists would make many more Pages of different Themes. I hope this humble effort and endeavor will be of some use to the collectors in pursuit of their philatelic hobby.

4th July, 2019
Jagannath Rathyatra Day
Ahmedabad

Praful Thakkar

Format

I am a Stamp collector of Indian Stamps and postal material of India. Till now I was collecting Stamps chronologically. This means that the collection and arrangement of Stamps was done date wise and year wise in an album. The Stamps were collected and arranged in many albums. It was rather difficult to take out occasionally various albums and see the stamps. The pleasure was of possession....or rather complete possession of all stamps. But beauty of Stamps was not enjoyed as it was simple chronological arrangement of Stamps.

In this book or compilation, Stamps and sometimes FDCs or other philatelic material is arranged 'Theme Wise' with limit of 'One Page' or to complete the subject, with extension of more pages of the same Theme in 'One Page' format only. As the 'Theme' is the common binding and highlighting factor, this exhibit of 'One Page' will enable one to build his Stamp collection Theme wise. Due to constraint of book pages, more than 150 Themes in more than 240 One Page Presentations are presented in limited 68 pages. I have made more than 300 'One Page' exhibit pages and still making many more pages to enjoy thematic beauty of various stamps and other philatelic material. Gradually I shall be putting these pages on my website www.indianphilatelics.com

Here in this book, on top of each 'One Page' presentation, a small introduction of the 'Theme' is given. This explains the beauty of the subject and gives the binding force to the thematic presentation. I have tried to put maximum numbers of Stamps issued by India Post on specific Subject or Theme along with small description and their released dates so that anyone can immediately make his own 'One Page'.

This Thematic Presentation is prepared as I see a particular Theme and its related Stamps or postal material through my 'Window'. At some places, I have put Specially Designed FDC or Bazar Card in the lower half of the page.

Sometimes, to put some useful thematic cancellation on the page, 'Window' can also be made on 'One Page'. Philatelist friends can make 'One Page, One Theme' presentation of different Special Celebration Day like Yoga Day, Labour Day, Environment Day etc. Moreover Theme of Slogan Cancellations or Meter Franking Cancellations can also be prepared over and above One Page presentations of Meghdoot Post Cards or other Postal Stationery.

Moreover, to put more Thematic Presentations in One Page of the book, I have made the book in A/4 size pages with Cluster of 4 'One Page' presentation pages on one page of this book. As far as possible, Cluster of 4 'One Page' presentation pages are selected in such a way that they are associated with each other in some respect.

In the Content, each Cluster of 4 pages is shown and numbered along with a brief mention of each 'One Page' of the Cluster. This will facilitate the philatelist to find out easily his required page.

After Content, I have shown a list of various Themes on which 'One Page, One Theme', pages can be prepared. They present many philatelic facets. These subjects can also be more interesting and inspiring.

Apart from 'One Page' presentations of stamps, I have tried to put some unusual subjects like Baseline Messages, Private FDCs, Photo Cards, Bazar Post Cards, Variety shapes of Octagonal Stamp of Aldabra Tortoise, FDCs with some designed pattern of cancellations obtained by the philatelist etc. within the ambit of 'One Page'. However, Collectors can build many more Themes likewise.

I hope this new pattern of arranging stamps will not only inspire the present philatelists to organize their collection 'Theme Wise', but also attract the new collectors to enjoy the color, charisma and creativity of newly issued stamps.

I have tried to be exact and particular on each Theme. However, it is possible that I might have missed some stamps on a particular subject. I hope that philately friends would bear with me for the same.

I pray to God that this 'One Page, One Theme' approach may enthuse new energy and pleasure in the modern philately.

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Man of Millennium and Apostle of Peace & Non-Violence.....

Mahatma Gandhi, Employing nonviolent civil disobedience, led India to independence and inspired movements for civil rights and freedom across the world. His birthday 2nd October is celebrated worldwide as International Day of Non-Violence. India Post has issued many Stamps on him. A few are presented here.....

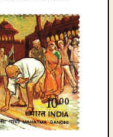
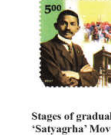
			
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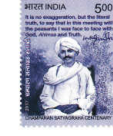
			
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Aspects of Mahatma Gandhi Communal Harmony 30-01-1998	Stylised outline of Mahatma Gandhi as Map of India 27-01-2000	02-10-2001	Mahatma Gandhi 10-12-2008
Dandi March	Dandi March	Dandi March	Dandi March
			
Marchers led by Mahatma Gandhi at Dandi March 02-10-2005	Gandhi with background of Headline of 'Bombay Chronicle' 02-10-2005	Gandhi picking up Salt at Dandi with map showing route of Dandi March 02-10-2005	Picture of Writing Gandhi with his writing on 05-4-1930 02-10-2005
Centenary of Satyagraha	Centenary of Satyagraha	Centenary of Satyagraha	Centenary of Satyagraha
			
Stages of gradual evolution of 'Satyagraha' Movement led by Mahatma Gandhi 02-10-2007	Stages of gradual evolution of 'Satyagraha' Movement led by Mahatma Gandhi 02-10-2007	Stages of gradual evolution of 'Satyagraha' Movement led by Mahatma Gandhi 02-10-2007	Stages of gradual evolution of 'Satyagraha' Movement led by Mahatma Gandhi 02-10-2007

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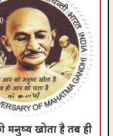
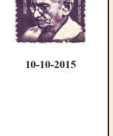
			
12-02-2011	Gandhi Stamps of 1948 & 1969 12-10-2013	Picture of Gandhi as Barrister along with the Souvenir of Passive Resistance Movement & Gandhi & his wife Kasturba in Gujarati Dress at Bombay Port 08-01-2015	
Champan Satyagraha Centenary	Mahatma Gandhi		
			
13-04-2017	26-07-2018		
1942 Freedom Movement	1942 Freedom Movement	1942 Freedom Movement	1942 Freedom Movement
			
09-08-2017	09-08-2017	09-08-2017	09-08-2017
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MAHATMAGANDHI...DEFINITIVESTAMPS				
25 Large Portrait In sheet 100 stamps	25 Small Portrait-Die-I In sheet 100 stamps	25 Small Portrait-Die-II In sheet 100 stamps	30 Small Portrait In sheet 100 stamps	35 Small Portrait In sheet 100 stamps
				
02-10-1976	02-10-1978	02-10-1978	27-05-1976	16-09-1980
50 Small Portrait In sheet 100 stamps	60 Small Portrait In sheet 100 stamps	100 Small Portrait In sheet 100 stamps	Special Definitive Stamp	Mahatma Gandhi
				
16-09-1980	15-06-1988	30-01-1991	Mahatma Gandhi & Non- violence 01-03-2009	10-10-2015

GANDHI & HIS LATHI... Symbol of Strength & agriculture economy....

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Gandhi is known as apostle of Peace and Non-violence. More than 90 countries of the world have issued postal stamps on Mahatma Gandhi. This by itself defines world's reverence for Gandhi and his ideals and Gandhi's universal timeless relevance. India Post has issued more than 60 stamps on 'Bapu' i.e. Mahatma Gandhi on various occasions associated with him. In many stamps we find Gandhiji holding 'Lathi' in the design of the stamps. This 'Lathi' was gifted to Gandhiji at Ghorghat in April 1934. Here an effort is made to present stamps of Gandhiji with 'Lathi' in his hand...

Gandhi Centenary **Dandi March** **125 Years of Mahatma Gandhi** **Communal Harmony** **50 Years of the Republic of India**

Mahatma Gandhi Father of the Nation

02-10-1969 02-10-1980 02-10-1994 30-01-1998 27-01-2000

Dandi March **Satyagraha The Stirrings** **Philately Day** **Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras**

Gandhi with 'Lathi' in hand Leads the Dandi March **Young Gandhi with 'Lathi'** **Young Gandhi with 'Lathi'** **Young Gandhi with 'Lathi'**

05-04-2005 02-10-2007 12-10-2013 17-06-2018

Gandhiji's 'Lathi'

Gandhiji was offered a gift of Lathi (Bamboo stick) during his visit of Bihar after the devastating Earth Quake in April 1934. Gandhiji accepted the Lathi on the condition that it will not be supplied to the Britishers as they were using it against freedom fighters. Ghoghhat (Munger) was the main supplier of Lathis at that time. Thus, Gandhiji inducted the use of Non-cooperation among the villagers against the British Rule. Ghoghhat kept its word and Gandhiji kept that Lathi till last as a symbol of strength and agricultural economy. Cancellation dated 30-1-2013 of Patna showing Lathi in the hand of Gandhiji

'Lathi' gifted to Gandhiji at Ghorghat of Bihar in April 1934

30-01-2013 30-01-2013 500 500

गान्धीजी की लाठी GANDHIJI'S LATHI

MESSAGES OF MAHATMA GANDHI ON STAMPS...

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Mahatma Gandhi, Father of Indian Nation, was an embodiment of wisdom. His life story has proven that it's possible to remain gentle in spirit, yet simultaneously command a huge amount of strength and respect. He was an Apostle of Peace & Non-violence. His 'Messages of Wisdom' have become guiding forces to many in India and across the world. India Post has gratefully honored the wisdom of Mahatma Gandhi by issuing some Commemorative Stamps with such Messages. They are presented here.

Quit India 1942 **Quit India 1942** **1942 Freedom Movement** **1942 Freedom Movement**

Do or Die - M.K. Gandhi **Do or Die - M.K. Gandhi** **Do or Die - M.K. Gandhi** **Do or Die - M.K. Gandhi**

09-08-1992 09-08-1992 09-08-2017 09-08-2017

Dandi March **Champaran Satyagraha Centenary**

I want world sympathy in this matter of Right against Might Dandi **It is no exaggeration, but the literal truth, to say that in this meeting with the penants I was face to face with God, Ahimsa and Truth.**

02-10-2005 13-05-2017

150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi - 02-10-2018

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CHARKHA..... 'Spinning Wheel'

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The call of Spinning Wheel is the noblest of all because it is the call of Love and Love is Swaraj. M K Gandhi

Charkha received a new meaning and novel interpretation at the hands of Mahatma Gandhi. It was incorporated in the design of the Indian National Congress Flag. India Post has visualised the important facets of Charkha and has designed various stamps incorporating Charkha. A few stamps are presented here....

Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design **Lady spinning with Wheel Charkha** **Madam Roosevelt spinning with Wheel Charkha** **Gandhi with Peti Charkha** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design**

Inauguration of Republic of India **2nd Definitive Stamp Series of Agriculture & Multi-purpose Projects** **15th Anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights** **Gandhi Centenary** **Chandraprabha Saikani**

26-01-1950 26-01-1955 10-12-1963 12-09-2002

Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Congress Flag **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design** **Gandhi Spinning with Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha**

Quit India Revolution August, 1942 **Quit India** **125th Years of Mahatma Gandhi**

09-08-1983 09-08-1992 02-10-1994

Mahatma Gandhi spinning with Wheel Charkha **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design of the Flag** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design**

150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi **K. Subrahmanyam** **Pingali Venkayiah - Designer of the flag on which the Indian National Flag was based** **Gandhi Stamp printed on Khadi Cloth**

02-10-2018 10-09-2004 12-08-2009 12-2-2011

Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design **Peti Charkha in the Design** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design** **Wheel (Bardoli) Charkha in the Design**

15-10-2015 **15-10-2015** **Homage to Martyrs** **Potti Sriramulu** **N.M.R. Subbraman**

15-08-1998 16-03-2000 29-01-2006

FREEDOM FIGHTERS WEARING GANDHI CAP.....

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Pictures within National Tricolor vertical or diagonal

The Gandhi cap is a white colored side cap made of Khadi pointed in front and back and having a wide band. It is named so, because Mahatma Gandhi first popularized its use during the Indian independence movement. A Special Stamp Series in which some stamps have design of Portrait wearing Gandhi Cap, within National Tricolor vertical or diagonal border were issued between 1983 and 1997 by India Post. Some such Stamps are presented...

Narhar Vishnu Gadgil **Jairamdas Doulatram** **Ravishankar Maharaj** **Bhim Sen Sachar**

10-01-1985 **21-07-1985** **24-12-1985** **14-08-1986**

Sagarimal Gopa **Dr. Kailas Nath Katju** **S. Satyamurti** **Dr. Sri Krishna Sinha**

29-12-1986 **17-06-1987** **22-08-1987** **04-02-1988**

Govind Ballabh Pant **Sarat Chandra Bose** **Dr. Anurag Narian Singh** **Kuladhur Chaliha**

07-03-1988 **06-09-1988** **18-06-1988** **19-06-1988**

Balasaheb G. Kher **Saifuddin D. Kitchlew** **Bishnu Ram Medhi** **Asaf Ali** **Acharya Narendra Deo**

08-03-1989 **13-04-1989** **24-04-1989** **11-05-1989** **06-11-1989**

PRESIDENTS OF INDIA.....

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The President of the Republic of India is the ceremonial Head of State of India and the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Armed Forces. The primary duty of the president is to preserve, protect and defend the constitution and the law of India as made part of his Oath. The president is the common head of all independent constitutional entities. All his actions, recommendations and supervisory powers over the executive and legislative entities of India shall be used in accordance to uphold the constitution. India Post has issued postal commemorative & Definitive stamps or cancellations for commemorating events pertaining to Presidents of India. All are presented here.....



सत्यमेव जयते

Dr Rajendra Prasad
1st President - (1950-1962)Dr Rajendra Prasad
1st President - (1950-1962)

3-12-1984

Dr Rajendra Prasad
1st President - (1950-1962)

10-10-2015

Dr S Radhakrishnan
2nd President - (1962-1967)

5-5-1967

Dr S Radhakrishnan
2nd President - (1962-1967)

11-9-1989

Dr Zakir Husain
3rd President - (1967-1969)

11-6-1969

Dr Zakir Husain
3rd President - (1967-1969)

3-5-1998

V V Giri
4th President - (1969-1974)

24-8-1974

Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed
5th President - (1974-1977)

22-3-1977

Giani Zail Singh
7th President - (1982-1987)

25-12-1995

R Venkataraman
8th President - (1987-1992)

18-4-2012

Dr S D Sharma
9th President - (1992-1997)

17-10-2000

Dr A P J Abdul Kalam
11th President - (2002-2007)

15-10-2015

PRIME MINISTERS of INDIA...

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The Prime Minister of India is the Chief Executive of the Government of India. In India's Parliamentary System, the Constitution names the President as Head of State *de jure*, but his or her de facto executive powers are vested in the Prime Minister and their Council of Ministers. Appointed and sworn-in by the President, the Prime Minister is usually the leader of the party or alliance that has a majority in the Lok Sabha, the lower house of Parliament of India. Since 1947, India has 15 Prime Ministers including Gulzari Lal Nanda who was twice acting Prime Minister. India Post has issued postal stamps depicting Prime Ministers of India on various occasions. An effort is made here to present them.

Jawaharlal Nehru
1st Prime Minister

12-06-1964

Lal Bahadur Shastri
2nd Prime Minister

26-01-1966

Indira Gandhi
3rd Prime Minister

19-11-1984

Morarji Desai
4th Prime Minister

28-02-1997

Rajiv Gandhi
6th Prime Minister

20-08-1991

Chaudhary Charan Singh
5th Prime Minister

29-05-1990

Chandra Shekhar
8th Prime Minister

17-04-2010

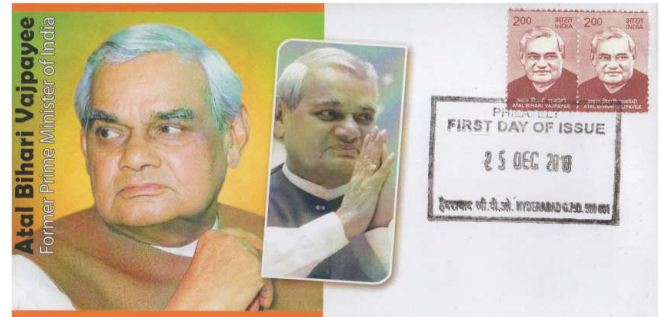
Atal Bihari Vajpayee
10th Prime Minister

25-12-2018

Gulzarilal Nanda
Acting Prime Minister

04-07-1999

Private Cover issued on First Day Issue of Atal Bihari Vajpayee's Definitive Stamp dated 25-12-2018



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Before the Partition of India in 1947, 565 Princely States existed in India and which were not fully and formally part of British India. There were Rebellion Zamindars & many Warrior Chiefs who fought for India's Independence. India Post has issued Stamps of such Ruler Queens, Kings, Rebellions, Zamindars & Chiefs who fought for the Independence & Sovereignty of India. A few Stamps are presented here.

Laxmi Bai

Queen of Jhansi
15-08-1957

Kunwar Singh

Rebellion Zamindar of
Jagdishpur, Bihar
23-04-1966

Maharaja Ranjit Singh

Ruler of Sikh Empire
28-06-1966

Maharana Pratap

King of Mewar
11-06-1967

Sher Shah Suri-15th Century

Founder of Suri Empire
22-05-1970

Tipu Sultan

King of Mysore
15-07-1974

Maharaja Agrasen

King of Agroha
24-09-1976

Kittur Rani Chennamma

Queen of Kittur
23-10-1977

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj

King of Maratha Empire
21-04-1980

Begum Hazrat Mahal

Queen of Awadh
18-05-1984

Chhatrasal

King of Bundelkhand
02-10-1987

U Tirot Singh

Rebellion Chief of Khasi,
Meghalaya
03-02-1988

Rani Avantibai

Queen of Ramgarh
20-03-1988

Swati Tirunal Rama Varma

King of Travancore
02-05-1988

Rani Durgawati

Queen of Gondwana
24-06-1988

Rao Gopal Singh

Ruler of Khanda State
30-03-1989

Sayajirao Gawkad

King of Baroda
06-10-1989

Krishna Chandra Gajapati

Chief of Ganga Dynasty,
Odisha
25-04-1992

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Ahilyabai Holkar

Queen of Indore
25-08-1996

Raja Nahar Singh

Ruler of Ballabgarh
09-01-1998

Veerapanda Kattabomman

Chief of Panchalankurichi,
Tamilnadu
16-10-1999

Prithviraj Chauhan

Ruler of Chahamana
31-12-2000

Chandragupt Maurya

Founder of Maurya Empire
21-07-2001

Rao Tularam

King of Rewari, Haryana
23-09-2001

Baji Rao Peshwa

Maratha Ruler
28-04-2004

Bhaskara Sethupathy

Chief of Ramnad Estate,
Tamilnadu
27-12-2004

Rani Velu Nachchiyar

Queen of Shivganga Estate,
Tamilnadu
31-12-2008

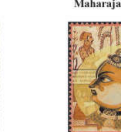
Maharaja Gulab Singh

King of Jammu & Kashmir
21-10-2009

Lal Pratap Singh

Chief of Kalakankar,
Uttar Pradesh
17-12-2009

Maharaja Surajmal

Ruler of Bharatpur,
Rajasthan
29-12-2009

Krishnadevaraya

King of Vijayanagar Empire
27-01-2011

Chithira Tirunal Balarama Varma

King of Travancore
07-11-2011

Alagumuthu Kone

Military Chief of
Etayyapuram, Tamilnadu
26-12-2015

Samrat Ashok

King of Maurya Dynasty
24-08-2015

Samrat Vikramaditya

King of Ancient India
22-12-2016

Jhala Manna

Chief Noble of Mewar,
Rajasthan
18-06-2017

Maharaja Subhdev

King of Shravasti, Uttar
Pradesh
29-12-2018

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU & INDIRA GANDHI

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU A Philatelic Homage honouring his Birth Centenary & 101 Birth Anniversary
INDIRA GANDHI A Philatelic Tribute to her on her untimely Death...Saluting on Birth & Death Anniversary

Jawaharlal Nehru (14 November 1889 – 27 May 1964) was the 1st Prime Minister of India and was in office from 1947 to 1964. His daughter Indira Gandhi (19 November 1917 – 31 October 1984) served as Prime Minister from January 1966 to March 1977 and again from January 1980 until her assassination in October 1984, making her the second longest-serving Indian Prime Minister after her father. Both being the longest termed Prime Ministers and Indira Gandhi being suddenly assassinated, Indian Postal Department decided to pay Homage to both. Hence India Post has issued big and beautiful Stamps honoring them on their Birth & Death Anniversaries. They are presented her.....

Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary (1st Issue)

 14-11-1988

Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary (1st Issue)

 14-11-1988

Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary (2nd Issue)

 14-11-1989

Indira Gandhi (1st Issue)

 19-11-1984

Indira Gandhi (2nd Issue)

 31-01-1985

Indira Gandhi (3rd Issue)

 31-10-1985

Indira Gandhi (4th Issue)

 19-11-1985

All the above 4 Stamps of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi combined and cancelled on respective dates on the Combination Cover



JAWAHARLAL NEHRU The first Prime Minister of India

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Jawaharlal Nehru (14 November 1889 – 27 May 1964) was the 1st Prime Minister of India and was in office from 1947 to 1964. He was one of the architects of modern India. India Post has issued many beautiful Commemorative & Definitive Stamps honouring Nehru on various occasions associated with his life. They are presented here.....

Jawaharlal Nehru Mourning Issue

 12-06-1964

Jawaharlal Nehru Children's Day

 14-11-1964

Nehru and Nagaland

 01-12-1967

Nehru with Gandhi

 15-08-1973

Seventh Non-aligned Summit Conference, New Delhi

 07-03-1983

A.I.C.C. Quit India Resolution August, 1942

 09-08-1983

Nehru addressing UN General Assembly

 04-10-1985

Nehru as President of Indian National Congress

 28-12-1985

Nehru inspecting CRPF at Narmada in 1954

 25-07-1989

Nehru in Hindi Newspaper Swatantra Bharat on 15th August 1947

 15-08-1997

Nehru and Bandung Conference Scene

 18-04-2005

Young Nehru in Khadi

 14-11-1989

Jawaharlal Nehru Centenary

 14-11-1988

Jawaharlal Nehru Centenary

 14-11-1988

Jawaharlal Nehru - Definitive Stamps


INDIRA GANDHI & HER FAMILY.....The first & only Female Prime Minister of India

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Indira Gandhi (1st Issue)

 19-11-1984

Indira Gandhi addressing UN General Assembly (2nd Issue)

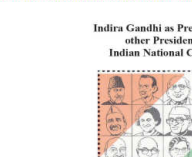
 31-01-1985

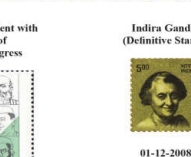
Indira Gandhi with Crowd (3rd Issue)

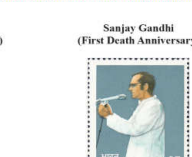
 31-10-1985

Indira Gandhi 'Priyadarshini' (4th Issue)

 19-11-1985

Indira Gandhi as President with other Presidents of Indian National Congress

 28-12-1985

Indira Gandhi (Definitive Stamp)

 01-12-2008

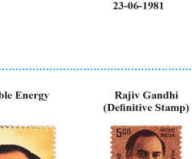
Sanjay Gandhi (First Death Anniversary)

 23-06-1981

Rajiv Gandhi - A Life for India

 20-08-1991

Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Day

 20-08-2004

Rajiv Gandhi (Definitive Stamp)

 01-12-2008

BHIMRAO AMBEDKAR...Architect of Indian Constitution

BHIMRAO AMBEDKAR...Architect of Indian Constitution & founding father of Republic of India

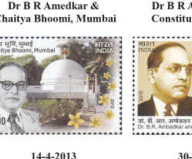
Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, popularly known as Babasaheb Ambedkar, was an Indian jurist, economist, politician and social reformer who inspired the Dalit Buddhist movement and campaigned against social discrimination towards the untouchables (Dalits), while also supporting the rights of women and labor. In 1990, the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award, was posthumously conferred upon him. India Post has honoured this great "Son of India" by issuing several Commemorative/Definitive Stamps & Cancellations. Some of them are presented here.

B R Ambedkar

 14-4-1966

Dr Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar

 14-4-1973

Dr B R Ambedkar

 14-4-1991

Dr B R Ambedkar & Chaitya Bhoomi, Mumbai

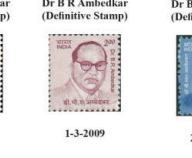
 14-4-2013

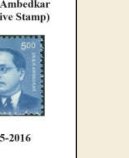
Dr B R Ambedkar & Constitution of India

 30-9-2015

Dr B R Ambedkar & Deeksha Bhoomi Stupa, Nagpur

 14-4-2017

Dr B R Ambedkar (Definitive Stamp)

 14-4-2001

Dr B R Ambedkar (Definitive Stamp)

 1-3-2009

Dr B R Ambedkar (Definitive Stamp)

 2015-2016

First Day Cover of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar with his picture in Stamp, Cachet & Cancellation dt. 14-4-1991


SCIENTISTS ON STAMPS.....

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Scientists' work is a systematic enterprise that builds and organizes knowledge in the form of testable explanations and predictions about the universe. They are concerned with the description, prediction and actual understanding of natural phenomena based on empirical evidence from observation and experimentation. India Post has issued many Commemorative Stamps on Scientists of India & World who have contributed in various fields of knowledge for betterment of universe and mankind. A few stamps are presented here...

Jagdish Chandra Bose Worked in area of Plant Life 30-11-58	Dr W M Haffkine Immunologist 16-03-1964	Homi Bhabha Nuclear Physicist 04-08-1966	Madam Marie Curie Won twice the Nobel Prize - Did Pioneering research in Radio Activity 06-11-1968
C V Raman Nobel Laureate in Physics 12-11-1971	Vikram Sarabhai Nuclear Physicist 30-12-1972	Nicolaus Copernicus Great Astronomer 21-07-1973	Dr Hansen Discovered Leprosy Bacillus 21-07-1973
Guglielmo Marconi Pioneering work in Radio 12-12-1974	Alexander Graham Bell Inventor of Telephone 10-03-1976	Albert Einstein Physicist 14-03-1979	Meghnad Saha Indian Astrophysicist 23-12-1993
Satyendranath Bose Worked in area of Quantum Statistics 01-01-1994	Louis Pasteur Known for Vaccinations- Great Microbiologist 28-09-1995	W C Von Roentgen Discoverer of X-Rays 08-11-1995	A P J Abdul Kalam India's Missile Man 15-10-2015

RESEARCH IN INDIA.....

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"एक कदम विकास की ओर" - A Step towards Development.....

Research comprises of creative and systematic work undertaken to increase the stock of knowledge, including knowledge of humans, nature and natural resources, culture and society. It is this research work that adds to the information base of our country. Various industries can use this to take forward our nation either economically or for general all-over development. India Post has understood the importance of Research and has honored the subject and institutes doing Research by issuing their Commemorative Stamps. Some of them are presented here.

4th World Forestry Congress, Dehra Dun 11-12-1954	Atomic Energy & Research 04-08-1966	Coconut Research Diamond Jubilee 27-12-1976	Wheat Research 23-02-1978
50 Years of Potato Research 01-04-1985	Indian Council of Agricultural Research 31-07-1990	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research 09-02-1996	Defence Research & Development Organisation 26-01-1999
Defence Research & Development Organisation 01-01-2000	100 Years of Indian Agricultural Research Institute 30-03-2006	Indian Council of Medical Research 08-11-2011	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh 07-01-2013
Central Water and Power Research Station 04-10-2016	ICAR - Central Plantation Crops Research Institute 08-01-2018	ICAR - Central Plantation Crops Research Institute 08-01-2018	Defence Research and Development Organisation 11-04-2018

FOUNDERS OF INDUSTRIAL & BUSINESS GROUPS...

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An industry is a group of companies that are related and based on their primary business activities. Industrialists are the people who create an idea and more than that, fuel the entire thought to shape up markets and industries. They are powerful businessmen who own or control large industrial companies and are known by their Industrial Groups. India has brilliant 'Sons of Soil' who had vision and Mission to establish their industrial empires to develop and bring up India on the World's industrial forum. India Post has honoured such Industrial Barons by issuing their Commemorative Stamps. Some of them are presented.

Reliance Group Dhirubhai Ambani Founder of Reliance Industries 28-12-2002	Tata Group Jamsetji Tata Founder of Tata Group 7-1-1965	Garware Group Bhachandra Dignber Garware Founder of Garware Industries 6-2-2004	Kirloskar Group Laxmanrao Kashinath Kirloskar Founder of Kirloskar Industries 20-6-1969
Birla Group Ghanshyam Das Birla Founder 11-6-1984	J K Group Kamalapat Singhania Founder 1-12-2010	Murugappa Group A M M Murugappa Chettiar Founder 1-10-2005	Bajaj Group Jammnal Bajaj Founder 4-11-1970
Larsen & Toubro Group Henning Holck - Larsen Founder 12-6-2008	Walchand Group Walchand Hirachand Founder 23-11-2004	Godrej Group Godrej Centenary Ardeshir Godrej & Pirojsha Burjorji Godrej Founders 11-7-1998	Dempo Group Vasantrao Srinivas Sinai Dempo Founder 4-3-2016
Aditya Birla Group Aditya Vikram Birla Founder 14-1-2013	Scindia Steam Navigation Group Narottam Morarjee Founder 2-4-1977	Chettinad Group (Annaamalai Chettiar Group) Rajah Annamalai Chettiar Founder 30-9-1980	Nahata Group Harakh Chand Nahata Founder 28-2-2009

COUPLETS...Hindi, Sanskrit & Urdu...

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India has rich heritage and history. Indian Culture has been particularly influential in the fields of literature, music, philosophy and spirituality. Many stalwart Personalities have taken birth on the holy soil of India. They have written classics, poems and devotional songs in literature. Some Saints and Spiritual Masters have showered their sermons and blessings in nutshell in form of Couplets. These songs and write-ups are in Sanskrit, Hindi, Urdu or other languages. India Post has issued Commemorative stamps depicting them... Some such Stamps are presented...

Couplet of Hindi Bhajan 'Raghupati Raghav Rajaram' Republic of India 26-01-1950	Sanskrit Couplet (Shloka) from 'Meghadoot' Kalidasa 22-06-1960	Sanskrit Couplet (Shloka) from 'Shakuntal' Kalidasa 02-02-1963
Hindi Couplet (Chopai) 'Keerati Bhanoti Bhooti Bhali Soy' Ram Charitmanas 24-05-1975	Urdu Couplet from Bahadur Shah Zafar's Poem Bahadur Shah Zafar 24-10-1975	Urdu Couplet 'Saare Jahan Se Achha Hindostan Hamara' Mohammad Iqbal 21-04-1988
Couplets of National Song 'Vande Mataram' Vande Mataram 30-12-1976	Sanskrit Couplet (Shloka) 'Karmayev Adhikaraste Ma Falechu Kadachana' Bhagwadgita 25-08-1978	Urdu Couplet 'Ai Mere Wastan Ke Logo' Asrar-Ul-Haq-Majaz 28-03-2008
'Jab Dill Hi Tut Gaya' etc. songs K.L. Saigal 04-04-1995	Urdu Couplet Kavi Pradeep 14-12-2011	

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1969 Devika Rani Roerich Film Actress 13-02-2011	1970 Birendra Nath Sircar Film Producer 03-05-2013	1971 Prithvi Raj Kapoor Film Actor 03-05-2013	1972 Pankaj Mallick Film Music Director & Singer 04-08-2006
1973 Sulochana (Rubi Myers) Film Actress 03-05-2013	1974 B.N. Reddi Film Director 16-11-2008	1975 Dhiren Ganguli Film Producer 03-05-2013	1976 Kanan Devi Film Actress 13-02-2011
1977 Nitin Bose Film Director, Cinematographer & Screenwriter 03-05-2013	1978 Ray Chandra (R.C.) Boral Film Music Composer 03-05-2013	1979 Sohrab Modi Film Producer, Director & Actor 03-05-2013	1981 Naushad Ali Music Director 03-05-2013
1982 L.V. Prasad Film Producer, Director & Actor 05-09-2006	1983 Durga Khote Film Actress 03-05-2013	1984 Satyajit Ray Film Director 11-01-1994	

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1985 V. Shantaram Film Producer, Director & Actor 17-11-2001	1986 B. N. Reddi Film Producer & Director 23-02-2018	1987 Raj Kapoor Film Producer, Director & Actor 14-12-2001	1988 Ashok Kumar Film Actor 03-05-2013
1991 Bhalchandra Govind Pendhakar Film Producer, Director & Actor 03-05-2013	1992 Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Film Maker, Playback Singer, Lyricist & Music Composer 03-05-2013	1993 Majrooh Sultanpuri Film Lyricist 03-05-2013	1995 Dr. Rajkumar Film Actor 01-11-2009
1996 Sivaji Ganeshan Film Actor 11-10-2001	1997 Kavi Pradeep Film Lyricist 14-12-2011	1998 B.R. Chopra Film Producer & Director 03-05-2013	1999 Hrishikesh Mukharjee Film Director 03-05-2013
2001 Yash Chopra Film Producer & Director 03-05-2013	2002 Dev Anand Film Producer, Director & Actor 03-05-2013	2006 Tapan Sinha Film Director 03-05-2013	2007 Manna De Film Playback Singer 30-12-2016

JNANPITH AWARD WINNERS...

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The Jnanpith Award is an Indian literary award presented annually by the Bharatiya Jnanpith to an author for his "outstanding contribution towards literature". Instituted in 1961, the award is bestowed only on Indian writers writing in Indian languages included in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution of India and English, with no posthumous conferral. India Post has honoured various Jnanpith Award Winners by issuing their Commemorative Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Mahadevi Varma 1982-Hindi 16-9-1991	K V Puttappa - 1967-Kannada D R Bendre - 1973-Kannada Y K Gokak - 1990-Kannada M V Iyengar - 1983-Kannada 28-3-1997	Firak Gorakhpuri 1969-Urdu 28-8-1997	Vishnu Saktharam Khandekar 1974-Marathi 19-1-1998
Tarashankar Bhandopadhyay - 1966-Bangla Shri Bishnu Dey - 1971-Bangla Ashapurna Devi - 1976-Bangla 5-6-1998	Ramdhari Sinha 'Dinkar' 1972-Hindi 14-9-1999	Dr Shivarama Karanth 1977-Kannada 10-3-2003	
G Sankara Kurup 1965-Malayalam 9-10-2003	S K Pottekkatt 1980-Malayalam 9-10-2003	Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai 1984-Malayalam 9-10-2003	
Vishnu Vaman Shirwadkar 'Kusumagraj' 1987-Marathi 14-3-2003	Sumitrnanandan Pant 1968-Hindi 23-12-2015	Vishwanatha Satyanarayana 1971-Telugu 26-4-2017	Shrihal Shukla 2009-Hindi 31-5-2017

GALLANTRY AWARDS.... 'शहीदों का सम्मान' - Honour to Martyrs.....

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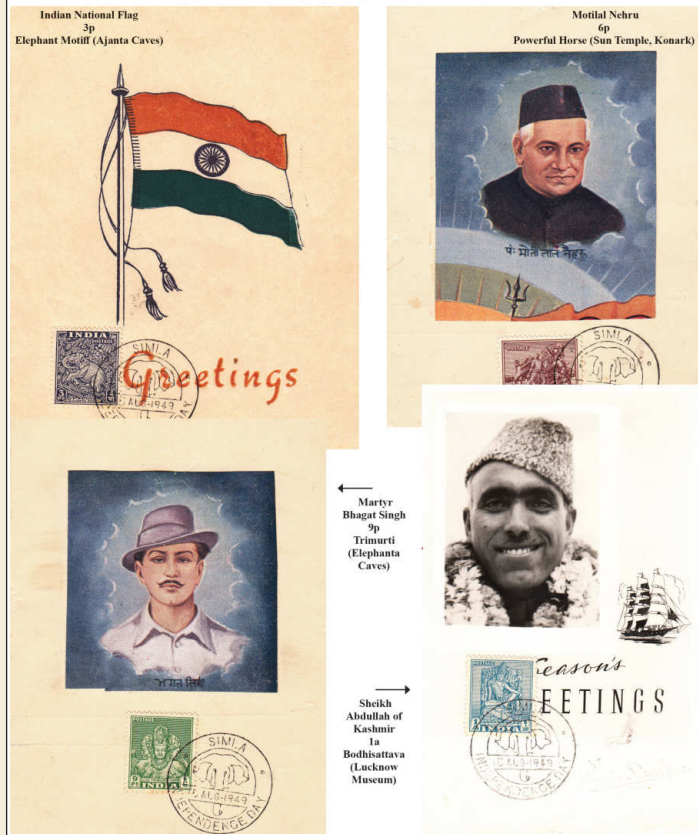
The Indian honours system is the system of awards given to individuals for a variety of services to the Republic of India. Such Awards are given in War-time and Peace-time. Param Vir Chakra & Maha Vir Chakra are given in War-time and Ashok Chakra is given in Peace-time to brave personalities for their exemplary services to the nation. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps honouring Martyr recipients of these Param Vir Chakra & Ashok Chakra Gallantry Awards. They are presented here.....

Wartime Gallantry Awards - Param Vir Chakra Karan Singh, PVC Abdul Hamid, PVC Albert Ekka, PVC N.J.S. Sekhon, PVC M.N. Mulla, MVC 31-12-2003	50 Years of the Republic of India - 28-01-2000 Param Vir Chakra - Medal Major Somnath Sharma, PVC 31-12-2003	Maha Vir Chakra Brigadier Rajinder Singh, PVC 27-10-1999	Peacetime Gallantry Awards - Ashok Chakra Neerja Bhanot, Randhir Prasad Verma Ashoka Chakra Winners 08-10-2004
FDC of Ashok Chakra Winners - Neerja Bhanot, Randhir Prasad Verma - 8-10-2004 प्रथम दिवस आवरण FIRST DAY COVER अशोक चक्र विजेता ASHOKA CHAKRA WINNERS नीरजा भनोट NEERJA BHANOT रणधीर प्रसाद वर्मा RANDHIR PRASAD VERMA 08-10-2004			

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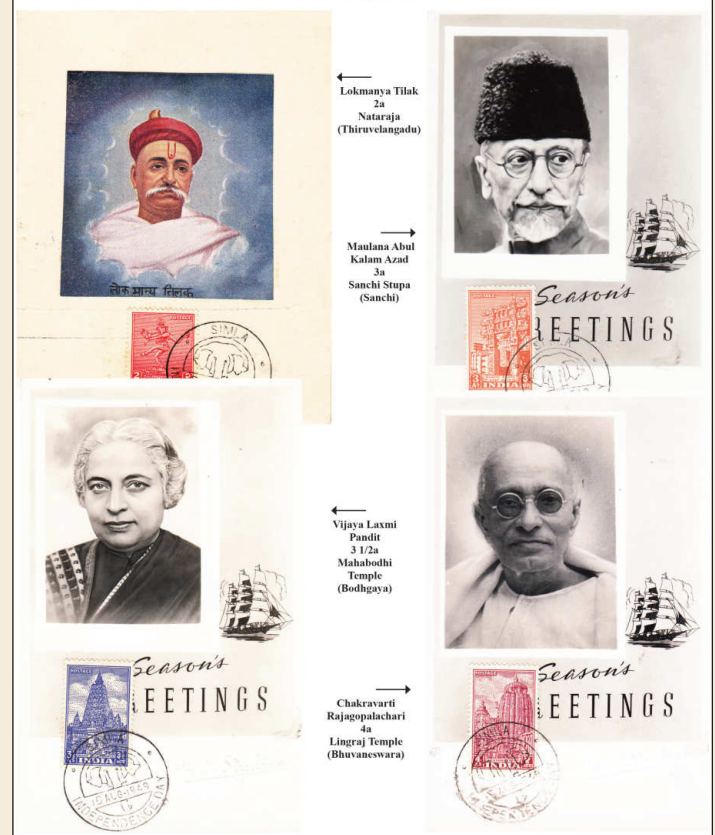
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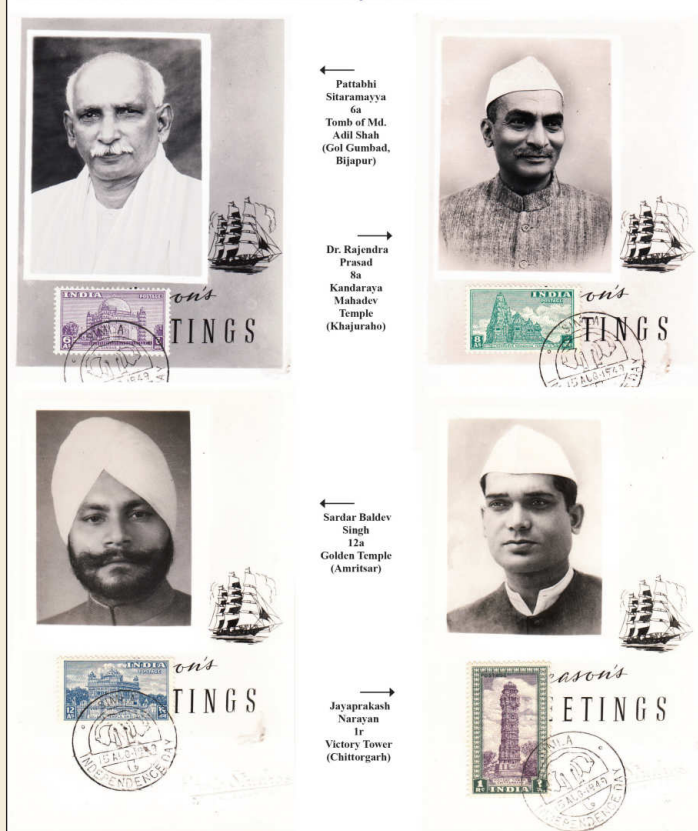
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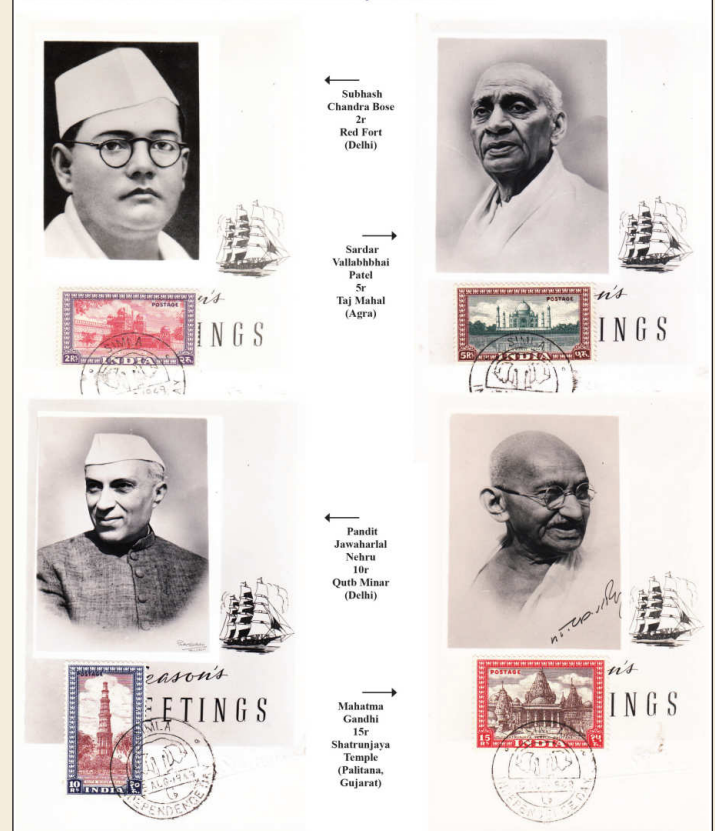
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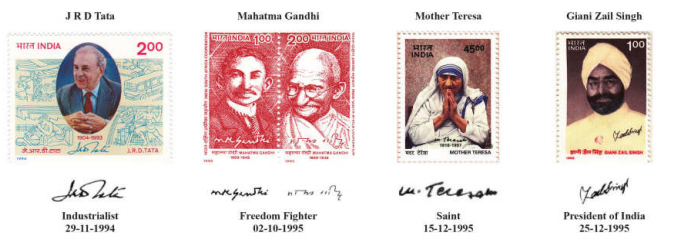
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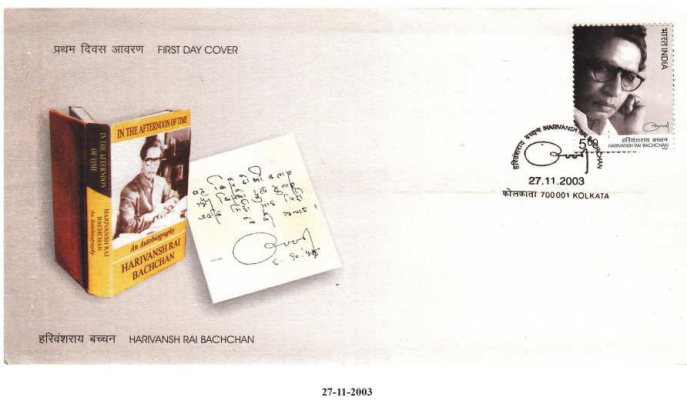
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Harivansh Rai Bachchan's Autograph on Stamp, Cancellation & Cachet of FDC



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India Post presents some Stamps with image of previous stamps in the fabric of the Design. Such Stamps may be of Pre-Independence, Post-Independence or Princely States of India. This makes us travel in the history of those beautiful stamps of past. A few stamps are presented here.....

First issue of pre-independence & post-independence Stamps



INPEX-82
30-12-1982

First Post-Independence Issue - Stamp with National Emblem



INDIPEX-73
14-11-1973

Stamp of Queen Victoria inverted Head & Post-Independence Stamp with National Emblem



Philately Day
12-10-2012

First Postage Stamp of One Penny



150th Anniversary of First Postage Stamp of One Penny
06-05-1990

Philatelist examining Gandhi Stamp



India National Philatelic Exhibition 1970
23-12-1970

Stamp of Jaipur State on the Stamp



INPEX-86
14-2-1986

Travancore Stamp



INDIA-89, World Philatelic Exhibition
20-01-1989

Gandhi - Mourning stamp & Centenary stamp



Philately Day
12-10-2013

Stamps of Queen Victoria



The Philatelic Journal of India - 1897-1997
27-03-1997

Stamp of Queen Victoria



150 Years of India Post
04-10-2004

Stamp of Airmail



150 Years of India Post
04-10-2004

Stamp of National Flag



150 Years of India Post
04-10-2004

Stamp of Indore



Princely State - Indore
06-10-2010

Stamp of Sirmoor



Princely State - Sirmoor
06-10-2010

Stamp of Bamra



Princely State - Bamra
06-10-2010

Stamp of Cochin



Princely State - Cochin
06-10-2010

COINS ON STAMPS...

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Coins are small, flat, (usually) round piece of metal imprinted with the authority of King, Ruler or Government and used primarily as a medium of exchange or legal tender. India being an ancient Civilization has ancient coins of different dynasties, Coins of Mughal Empire/ Indian Princely State Rulers and modern Coins of British India or Independent India. India Post has issued many Commemorative stamps and a Cancellation of India Government Mint with Coins in the design. Some such stamps & Cancellation are presented here.

Coin of Jawaharlal Nehru



14-11-1964

Kushan Gold Coin National Museum



27-07-1978

Coins of British India - India 80



25-01-1980

Modern Coins - India Government Mint, Bombay



27-12-1980

Maratha Coin - Nagpur Tercentenary



11-11-2002

Yaudheya Coin - Kashi Prasad Jayaswal 100 Years of Post Office Savings Bank



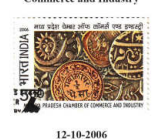
27-11-1981

Yaudheya Coin



13-06-1985

Coins of Gwalior, Indore etc - Madhya Pradesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry



12-10-2006

Chola Coins - Indian Ocean and Rajendra Chola



20-03-2015

First Day Cover of India Government Mint, Bombay Stamp having Coins in the Design of Cancellation



27-12-1980

MEDALS ON STAMPS... An Honour or Recognition of Great Achievement...

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Medals or Medallions are small portable artistic object, a thin disc, normally of metal, carrying a design, usually on both sides. They typically have a commemorative purpose of some kind, and many are given as awards. They may be intended to be worn, suspended from clothing or jewelry in some way. They are traditionally struck like a coin by dies. They are awarded to person or organization as a form of recognition for sporting, military, scientific, cultural, academic, or various other achievements. India Post has issued some Commemorative stamps or Cancellation with Medals in the design. Some are presented here.

Medal of Param Vir Chakra



15-08-1976

Medals received by The Bombay Sappers on Triant Stamp



Presentation of Colours 1990
The Bombay Sappers
21-02-1990

Medallion of Nicholas Roerich as Motif on Stamp



09-10-1974

Medallion of Nobel Peace Prize 1979 & Mother Teresa



27-08-1980

Medals of Ashoka Chakra with Winners Neeraj Bhanot & Randhir Prasad Verma



Ashoka Chakra Winners
08-10-2004

Medal of Maharaja Ranjit Singh in the Design of Cancellation Special Cover of PUNPEX 7th to 9th May 1993



7-5-1993

FOREIGN THEME ON INDIAN STAMPS...

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India, the world's second most populous country, has diplomatic relations with many countries and United Nations. India's growing international influence gives it a prominent voice in global affairs. It honors and appreciates heritage, culture and achievements of various countries, United Nations and Universal Postal Union. India Post has issued many Commemorative stamps depicting cultural glories, history and heritage of different nations and events of Global importance. Some such Commemorative Stamps are presented...

Complimenting US Astronaut



Man on the Moon
20-07-1969

UPU Headquarters at Berne, Switzerland



New UPU Headquarters
20-05-1970

Honoring Silver Jubilee of United Nations



XXV Anniversary of UN
26-06-1970

Tribute to King Cyrus the Great of Persia



2500th Anniversary of Charter of Cyrus the Great
12-10-1971

Honoring formation of Union of Soviet Socialist Republic - USSR



50th Anniversary of USSR
30-12-1972

Celebrating the War of Independence of Namibia, Country in Southern Africa



Namibia Day
26-08-1975

American Revolution Bicentennial



29-05-1976

Great October Socialist Revolution 1917 USSR



30-12-1977

First Powered Flight-1903 in USA



Wright Brothers
23-12-1978

Africa Fund



25-12-1987

Festival of the USSR in India



21-11-1987

Special Stamp dedicated to World Peace



07-03-1991

Honoring Golden Jubilee of the United Nations



26-06-1995

50th Anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights by UN



08-03-1998

Celebrating 2000 Years of Christ's Birth as Yeshu Krist Jayanti-2000



25-12-1999

First human of Soviet Union to visit outer Space



Yuri Gagarin
Soviet Cosmonaut
12-04-2001

Declaration of Human Rights by UN



10-12-2008

India has worked with Commonwealth and hence celebrates 60 Years of the Commonwealth



13-11-2009

India celebrates 2014 as International Year of Crystallography



30-01-2014

USA (United States of America)...

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India, the world's second most populous country, has diplomatic relations with many countries. India's growing international influence gives it a prominent voice in global affairs. It honors and appreciates heritage, culture and achievements of various countries. USA is one of them. India Post has issued many Commemorative stamps depicting 'Shining Stars' of various fields, history and heritage of USA. Some such Stamps are presented.



American Revolution Bicentennial - 29-5-1976



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE
OFFICIAL COMMEMORATIVE STAMP
OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

We hereby certify that this limited edition First Day Cover is an officially recognized commemorative of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration, licence #76-19-8574, authorized by Public Law 93-179 of the Congress of the United States. It is further certified that this First Day Cover bears a specimen of the stamp issued by the Republic of India to commemorate America's Bicentennial and that it also bears the first day cancellation of the post office where the stamp was first issued.

Joh. W. Warner, Administrator - American Revolution Bicentennial Administration

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‘INDIPEX 73’ International Stamps Exhibition, New Delhi....**‘INDIPEX 73’ INTERNATIONAL STAMPS EXHIBITION, NEW DELHI....**

In INDIPEX -73 International Stamp Exhibition held in New Delhi from 14-23 November 1973, India Post released 3 issues. 1st one was issued on 8-1-1973 of one stamp having Exhibition Logo of stylized Peacock. This was issued for advance publicity. 2nd one was issued on 14-11-1973 having 3 stamps viz. (1) All Roads to Delhi - 20p (2) Ceremonial Elephant & Independence 1 1/2a Stamp of 1947 - 1r (3) Peacock - 2r. 3rd one was also issued on 14-11-1973 in MS form with above 4 stamps imperf with no postal validity of the stamps individually. All stamps and MS associated with INDIPEX - 73 are presented here....



1st Issue 1 Stamp - 8-1-1973
Exhibition Logo of stylized Peacock



2nd Issue of 3 Stamps - 14-11-1973
All Roads to Delhi - 20p



Miniature Sheet of above 4 Stamps Imperf - 14-11-1973



Ceremonial Elephant & Independence 1 1/2a Stamp of 1947 - 1r



Peacock - 2r

**‘INDIA-89’ International Stamp Exhibition, New Delhi....****‘INDIA-89’ INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION, NEW DELHI....**

In INDIA-89 International Stamp Exhibition, India Post released in 5 sets totalling 14 stamps showing Logo of the Exhibition Stylised Swan (1) 2 Stamps on 15-6-1987 on the Exhibition Logo & Venue (2) 4 Stamps on 17-10-1987 on Delhi Landmarks - Iron Pillar, India Gate, Dewan-E-Khas & Old Fort (3) 2 Stamps on 9-10-1988 on Bangalore & Bombay GPOs (4) 2 Stamps on D.L.O. & RMS Cancellations (5) 4 Stamps on Facets of Philately - Stamp Collecting, Mail Cart, Travancore Stamps & Early Indian Philatelic Magazine. All are presented here....



1st Set of 2 Stamps - 18-6-1987



2nd Set of 4 Stamps of Delhi Landmarks - 17-10-1987



3rd Set of 2 Stamps of Post Office Buildings - 9-10-1988



4th Set of 2 Stamps of Cancellations - 20-12-1988



5th Set of 4 Stamps Facets of Philately - 20-1-1989

**‘INDIA 80’ International Stamp Exhibition, New Delhi....****‘INDIA 80’ INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION, NEW DELHI....**

In INDIA-80 International Stamp Exhibition, India Post released stamps in 3 sets totalling 10 stamps showing Logo of the Exhibition Stylised Swan in the design of the stamps (1) 2 Stamps on 2-7-1979 on the Exhibition Logo & Postcard Centenary (2) 4 Stamps on 15-10-1979 on Mail Carrying Aircrafts (3) 4 Stamps on 25-1-1980 on Post Office Theme. All are presented here....



1st Set of 2 Stamps - 2-7-1979



2nd Set of 4 Stamps of Mail Carrying Aircrafts - 15-10-1979



3rd Set of 4 Stamps on Post Office Theme - 25-1-1980



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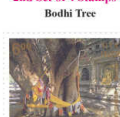
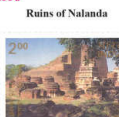
**‘INDEPEX 97’ International Stamp Exhibition, New Delhi....****‘INDEPEX 97’ INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION, NEW DELHI....**

In INDEPEX -97 International Stamp Exhibition, India Post released 6 sets totalling 18 stamps showing Logo of the Exhibition on each Stamp (1) 1 Stamp on 5-10-1996 on the Exhibition Logo (2) 4 Stamps on 6-6-1997 on Buddhist Cultural Sites (3) 4 Stamps on 11-8-1997 on Beaches of India (4) 4 Stamps on 15-10-1997 on Rural Indian Women (5) 1 Stamp on 15-12-1997 in MS form on Mother Teresa. All are presented here....

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2nd Set of 4 Stamps of Buddhist Cultural Sites - 6-6-1997



3rd Set of 4 Stamps of Beaches of India - 11-8-1997



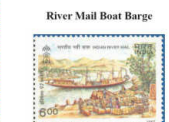
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5th Set of 1 Stamp of Mother Teresa - 15-12-1997



6th Set of 4 Stamps of Post Office Theme - 15-12-1997



INDEPEX ASIANA - 2000....

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14th Asian International Philatelic Exhibition held at Calcutta from 7th to 12th December 2000
 In Indepex Asia 2000, India Post released in 3 sets totalling 14 stamps showing Logo of the Exhibition Rising Sun (1) 4 Stamps/MS on 31-3-2000 on the Natural Heritage of Manipur and Tripura in the North East (2) 4 Stamps/MS on 24-5-2000 on 4 Migratory Birds (3) 6 Stamps/MS on 7-12-2000 on Gems & Jewellery. All are presented here....

1st Set Natural Heritage of Manipur & Tripura - 31-3-2000

Siroi Lily, Sangai Deer, Wild Guava, Slow Loris

2nd Set of Migratory Birds - 24-5-2000

Rosy Pastor, Garganey Teal, Forest Wagtail, White Stork

3rd Set of Gems & Jewellery - 7-12-2000

Bead Necklace from Indus Valley, Gold Necklace from Taxila, Turban Ornament, Navratna Necklace, Tali (Bridal Necklace from Southern India), Kanthla (Temple Necklace from Rajasthan)

'INDEPEX 2011' INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION, NEW DELHI....

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 In INDEPEX 2011 International Stamp Exhibition, India Post released on 13-5-2010, 1st issue of 6 Stamps on Post Heritage Buildings which contain the Logo of INDEPEX 2011. Secondly, two Miniature Sheets with INDEPEX 2011 Logo in the body of the MS were issued. One MS was issued on Indian Princely Postage Stamps on 6-10-2010 and second was issued on 12-2-2011 on 100 Years of Airmail commemorating 100 years of Allahabad Naini Flight. On 12-2-2011 a Special Khadi Stamp of Mahatma Gandhi was also issued in MS form & in a Presentation Pack in which Logo of INDEPEX 2011 was shown at the back page of the Pack. All Stamps are presented here....

1st issue of Stamps - Postal Heritage Buildings - 13-5-2010

Udagamandalam H.P.O., Nagpur G.P.O., Shimla G.P.O., Cooch Behar H.P.O., Lucknow G.P.O., Delhi G.P.O.

Presentation Pack of Khadi Stamp of Mahatma Gandhi in MS was issued. Logo of INDEPEX 2011 was shown at the back Page, 12-2-2011

Miniature Sheet with 4 stamps on Indian Princely States Postage Stamps - Sirmur, Indore, Bamra & Cochin... 6-10-2010

4 Stamps from MS on 100 Years of Airmail - Logo of INDEPEX 2011 is in the side design of MS - 12-2-2011

U.P. Exhibition, Pequets Flight, Pequets Flight Path, Fight over Yamuna Design line

ASIAN GAMES... 1st Event (1951) & IXth Event (1982), New Delhi

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Second largest multi-sport event after the Olympic Games.....
 The Asian Games, also known as Asiad, is a continental multi-sport event held every four years among athletes from all over Asia. It started in 1951 and 1st event was at New Delhi. Again 9th event in 1982 was organized at New Delhi. India Post has issued stamps to commemorate these 2 events..... They are presented here.....

Asian Games Logo

1st Asian Games, New Delhi 1951

Torch of Asian Games 04-03-1951

IX Asian Games, New Delhi 1982 (1st Issue)

Games Logo 28-07-1981, Stylised Hockey Player 28-07-1981, Indraprastha Stadium 19-11-1981, Nehru Stadium 30-12-1981

IX Asian Games, New Delhi 1982 (4th Issue)

Wrestling Bout 30-10-1982, Arjuna Shooting arrow at fish 06-11-1982, Cycling 19-11-1982, Javelin-throwing 19-11-1982

IX Asian Games, New Delhi 1982 (6th Issue)

Discus-throwing 19-11-1982, Football 19-11-1982, Enterprise Dinghies' Race 25-11-1982, Rowing 25-11-1982

COMMONWEALTH GAMES...2008 (Pune) & 2010 (New Delhi)

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 Commonwealth games are held for the countries that had British colonization. It is an international multi-sport event involving athletes from the Commonwealth of Nations. India had organized this event in 2010 at New Delhi. The Commonwealth Youth Games (CYG) is also a similar type of international multi-sport event organized by the Commonwealth Games Federation. India had organized this event in 2008 at Pune. India Post has issued some stamps on both these events of Commonwealth Games. They are presented here.

III Commonwealth Youth Games Pune, Maharashtra 12-10-2008

XIX Commonwealth Games New Delhi 18-10-2008

Mascot SHERA holding Baton, Jawahar Nehru Stadium, New Delhi Renovated for XIX Commonwealth Games 01-08-2010, Talkatora Stadium, New Delhi Renovated for XIX Commonwealth Games 01-08-2010

XIX Commonwealth Games New Delhi 03-10-2010

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XIX OLYMPIC GAMES – 1968Mexico City - 12-10-1968



Athlete's legs and Olympic Rings



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XX OLYMPIC GAMES – 1972Munich, West Germany - 10-8-1972



Hockey Player



Various Sports

XXI OLYMPIC GAMES – 1976Montreal, Canada - 17-7-1976



Shooting



Shot-Put



Hockey



Sprinting

XXII OLYMPIC GAMES – 1980Moscow, Russia - 19-7-1980



High Jumping



Show Jumping

OLYMPIC GAMES Page 2 (1984-4, 1988-2, 1992-4 & 1996-2)

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XXIII OLYMPIC GAMES – 1984Los Angeles, USA - 28-7-1984



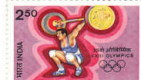
Basketball



High Jumping



Floor Exercises



Weightlifting

XXIV OLYMPIC GAMES – 1988Seoul, South Korea - 17-9-1988



Logo



Various Sports

XXV OLYMPIC GAMES – 1992Barcelona, Spain - 8-8-1992



Discus Throw



Gymnastics



Hockey



Boxing

XXVI OLYMPIC GAMES – 1996Atlanta, USA - 25-6-1996



Marble Stadium (Athens) & Parthenon



Hand holding Olympic Torch

OLYMPIC GAMES Page 3 (2000-4, 2004-4, 2008-4 & 2012-4)

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Discus



Tennis

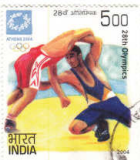


Hockey



Weightlifting

XXVIII OLYMPIC GAMES – 2004Athens, Greece - 13-8-2004



Wrestling



Athletics



Shooting



Hockey

XXIX OLYMPIC GAMES – 2008Beijing, China - 8-8-2008



Olympic Torch



Boxing



Shooting



Archery

XXX OLYMPIC GAMES – 2012London, UK - 25-7-2012



Sailing



Rowing



Badminton



Volleyball

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XXXI OLYMPIC GAMES – 2016Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - 5-8-2016



Badminton



Boxing



Shooting



Wrestling

FDC of XXII Olympics cancelled with 5 Ring Cancellation representing Olympic Logo from Ahmedabad dt. 19-7-1980



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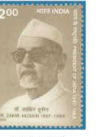
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Ghalib In Commemoration as Saint & Poet  01-10-1952	Death Centenary Death Date: 17-02-1869  17-02-1969	Motilal Nehru Birth Centenary Birth Date: 06-05-1861  06-05-1961	In Commemoration as Freedom Movement Activist  25-09-2012
Madan Mohan Malaviya Birth Centenary Birth Date: 25-12-1861  24-12-1961	150th Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 25-12-1861  27-12-2011	Dr. Rajendra Prasad Honoring the Retirement President of India: 1950-1962  13-05-1962	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 03-12-1884  03-12-1984
Srinivasa Ramanujan 75th Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 22-12-1887  22-12-1962	In Commemoration as Great Mathematician  26-12-2011	Dadabhai Naoroji Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 4-9-1825  04-09-1963	Death Centenary Death Date: 30-6-1917  29-12-2017
Kasturba Gandhi Death Anniversary Death Date: 22-2-1944  22-02-1964	Tribute by Kasturba Trust Death Date: 22-2-1944  22-02-1996	Govind Ballabh Pant Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 10-9-1887  10-09-1965	Death Anniversary Death Date: 7-3-1961  07-03-1988

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Vidyapati In Commemoration  17-11-1965	In Commemoration  26-12-2016	Kunwar Singh Anniversary of his last battle Dated: 23-4-1958  23-04-1966	In Commemoration  26-12-2016
Maharaja Ranjit Singh Death Anniversary Death Date: 27-6-1839  28-06-1966	Bicentenary of Coronation Coronation Date: 12-4-1801  09-11-2001	Basavewara 800th Death Anniversary  11-05-1967	In Commemoration  08-08-1997
Maharana Pratap In Commemoration  11-06-1967	400th Death Anniversary Death Date: 19-01-1597  19-01-1998	Dr. S. Radhakrishnan In Commemoration President of India: 1962-1967  05-09-1967	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 05-09-1888  11-09-1989
Rafi Ahmed Kidwai In Commemoration as Freedom Movement Activist  01-04-1969	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 18-02-1894  18-02-1995	Dr. Zakir Husain In Commemoration President of India: 1967-1969  11-06-1969	Death Anniversary Death Date: 3-5-1969  03-05-1998

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Saint Ravidas In Commemoration  10-02-1971	In Commemoration  24-06-2001	Sri Ramana Maharshi Death Anniversary Death Date: 17-4-1950  14-04-1971	Death Anniversary Death Date: 17-4-1950  14-04-1998
C. Rajagopalachari 1st Death Anniversary Death Date: 25-12-1972  25-12-1973	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 10-12-1878  10-12-1978	V.K. Krishna Menon In Commemoration as an Indian Nationalist  24-10-1975	Death Anniversary Death Date: 06-10-1974  06-10-1997
Ram Manohar Lohia 100th Death Anniversary Death Date: 12-10-1967  12-10-1977	Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 23-12-1910  23-03-1997	Syama Prasad Mookerjee Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 6-7-1901  06-07-1978	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 6-7-1901  06-07-2001
Jayaprakash Narayan First Death Anniversary Death Date: 8-10-1979  08-10-1980	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 11-10-1902  11-10-2001	Dr. M.G. Ramachandran Birth Anniversary Birth Date: 17-1-1917  17-01-1990	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 17-1-1917  17-01-2017

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Morarji Desai 1st Death Anniversary Death Date: 10-4-1995  10-04-1996	Birth Centenary Birth Date: 29-02-1896  28-02-1997	Saint Alphonsa Death Anniversary Death Date: 28-07-1946  19-07-1996	In Commemoration of Canonisation  16-11-2008
Mother Teresa - Saint Teresa In Commemoration Mother Teresa  15-12-1997	Occasion of Canonization Date: 1-9-2016  4-9-2016	Mukesh In Commemoration Golden Voice  15-05-2003	In Commemoration of Legendary Singer  30-12-2016
Hemant Kumar In Commemoration Golden Voice  15-05-2003	In Commemoration of Legendary Singer  30-12-2016	Mohammed Rafi In Commemoration Golden Voice  15-05-2003	In Commemoration of Legendary Singer  30-12-2016
Kishore Kumar In Commemoration Golden Voice  15-05-2003	In Commemoration of Legendary Singer  30-12-2016	Geeta Dutt In Commemoration Golden Voice  03-05-2013	In Commemoration of Legendary Singer  30-12-2016

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Mahatma Gandhi & Kasturba



15-08-1948 22-04-1964

Ba & Bapu



02-10-1969

Gandhiji & Kasturba



08-01-2015

Jawaharlal Nehru & Kamla Nehru



12-04-1964 01-08-1974

Franklin Delano Roosevelt & Eleanor Roosevelt



30-01-1983

10-12-1963

Asaf Ali & Aruna Asaf Ali



11-05-1989 16-07-1998

C.D. Deshmukh & Durgabai Deshmukh



14-01-2004

09-05-1982

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Kamal Amrohi & Meena Kumari



03-05-2013

13-02-2011

Guru Dutt & Geeta Dutt



10-10-2004

03-05-2013

Kishore Kumar & Madhubala



15-05-2003

18-03-2008

Gemini Ganesan & Savitri



25-02-2006

13-02-2011

Svetoslav Roerich & Devika Rani



27-10-2004

13-02-2011

Jyotiha Phule & Savitribai Phule



28-11-1977

10-03-1998

Joachim & Violet Alva



20-11-2008

Nellie & Jatindra Sengupta



22-07-1985

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Prithviraj Kapoor

Father



03-05-2013

Raj Kapoor

Son



14-12-2001

Shammi Kapoor

Son



03-05-2013

Motilal Nehru

Father



06-05-1961

Jawaharlal Nehru

Son



12-06-1964

S.D. Burman

Father



01-10-2007

R.D. Burman

Son



03-05-2013

Kamalpat Singhania

Father



01-12-2010

Lakshmi Pat Singhania

Son



15-11-2010

Padampat Singhania

Son



03-02-2005

Ashutosh Mukherjee

Father



29-06-1964

Syama Prasad Mukherjee

Son



06-07-1978

Laxman Rao Kiroloskar

Father



20-06-1969

S.L. Kiroloskar

Son



26-02-2003

Jawaharlal Nehru

Father



14-11-1988

Indra Gandhi - Priyadarshini

Daughter



19-11-1985

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Dr. Bhagavan Das

Father



12-01-1969

Sri Prakash

Son



03-08-1991

Puran Chandra Gupta

Father



02-01-2012

Narendra Mohan

Son



14-10-2003

Sri Sri Thakur Anukul Chandra

Father



02-09-1987

Sri Sri Borda

Son



06-12-2010

Rajah Annamalai Chettiar

Father



30-09-1980

Dr. Rajah Sir M.A. Muthiah Chettiar

Son



21-12-1987

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Sanjay Gandhi  23-06-1981	Rajiv Gandhi  20-08-1991
Vallabhbhai Patel  31-10-1965	Vithalbhai Patel  27-09-1973
Ravi Shankar  03-09-2014	Uday Shankar  26-09-1978
B.N. Reddi  16-11-2008	B. Nagi Reddi  23-02-2018
Chetan Anand  03-05-2013	Dev Anand  03-05-2013
Yash Chopra  03-05-2013	B R Chopra  03-05-2013

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Balraj Sahni  03-05-2013	Bhisham Sahni  31-05-2017	Gaganendranath Tagore  17-09-1968	Abhinandranath Tagore  07-08-1971
Ashok Kumar  03-05-2013	Kishore Kumar  15-05-2003	Subhash Chandra Bose  23-01-1964	Sarat Chandra Bose  06-09-1988
Wilbur Wright & Orville Wright  23-12-1978	Ardeshir Godrej & Pirojsha Godrej  11-07-1998	Sido Murnu & Kanhu Murnu  06-04-2002	Periya Marudhu & Chinnu Marudhu  24-10-2004
Sant Dnyaneshwar Brother  05-03-1997	Muktabai Sister  30-05-2003	Jawaharlal Nehru Brother  14-11-1988	Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit Sister  15-08-2000

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Jijabai Mother  07-07-1999	Chhatrapati Shri Shivaji Maharaj Son  21-04-1980	Vijaya Raje Scindia Mother  20-12-2001	Madhavrao Scindia Son  10-03-2005
Sarojini Naidu Aunty  13-02-1964	Leela Naidu Niece  13-02-2011	Jamsetji Tata Relative to each other  07-01-1965	J.R.D. Tata Relative to each other  29-11-1994
Chandragupta Maurya Grand Father  21-07-2001	Samrat Ashok Grand Son  24-08-2015	Venai Dhanammal Grand Mother  03-12-2010	Thanjavur Balasaraswathi Grand Daughter  03-12-2010

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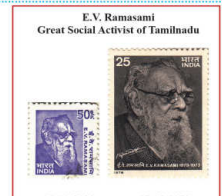
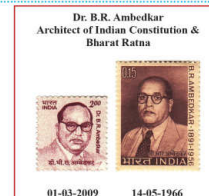
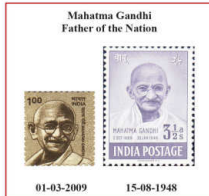
In Philately World, sometimes we find Family Members are honored with issue of Postal Stamps as they are also Celebrities in their respective fields. India Post has issued such Stamps of Family Members honoring them for their contribution to the respective field of development of our nation. An effort is made here to present such stamps of Family Members.

Nitin Bose Uncle  03-05-2013	Satyajit Ray Nephew  11-01-1994	A.M.M. Murugappa Chettiar Uncle  01-10-2005	M.V. Arunachalam Nephew  15-05-2018
Yogendra Shukla Uncle  29-01-2001			
Rabindranath Tagore Uncle  07-05-1961	Gaganendranath Tagore Nephew  17-09-1968	Abanindranath Tagore Nephew  07-08-1971	

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10th Definitive Series - Builders of Modern India...

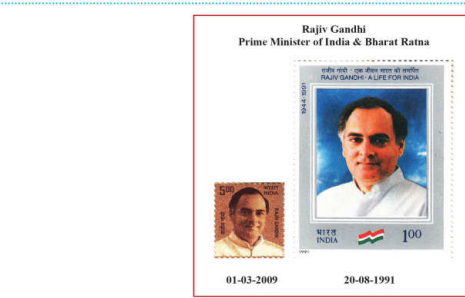
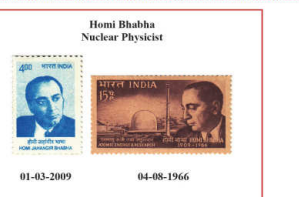
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Honoring Celebrities during their Lifetime by issuing Stamps...

Though Government of India states that 'No stamp will be issued on living personalities', there are occasions and exceptions when Department of India Post has issued stamps on Living Personalities during their lifetime. Such exceptional examples are few and some are presented here.....



Block of Four of Se-tenant stamps on Centenary of Indian National Congress depicting 60 former Congress Presidents in which portraits of 8 living personalities are depicted viz.

28-12-1985



1. Neelam Sanjiva Reddy...Died: 01.06.1996... President INC Session Bhavnagar, 1961
2. S. Nijalingappa... Died: 09.08.2000... President INC Session Bangalore, 1968
3. C. Subramaniam... Died: 07.11.2000... President INC Session New Delhi, 1969
4. Jagjivan Ram... Died: 06.07.1986... President INC Session New Delhi, 1970
5. Shankar Dayal Sharma... Died: 26.12.1999... President INC Session Calcutta, 1972
6. Dev Kant Barua... Died: 28.01.1996... President INC Session Chandigarh, 1975
7. K. Brahmananda Reddy... Died: 20.05.1994... President INC Session New Delhi, 1976
8. Rajiv Gandhi... Died: 21.05.1991... President INC Session New Delhi, 1984

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Apart from issuing stamps on Living Personalities during their lifetime, India Post has interwoven pictures of some Living Persons in the design of stamps to convey a concept, art, costume, sport or some such aspect which is required to be depicted on stamp. Here such stamps are presented with details of the persons alive at that point of time.



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Same Stamp - Revalued Denomination



Same Design - Different Occasions/Dates



Same Stamp - Different Denominations / Different Colors



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Same Stamp - Different Denominations / Different Colors

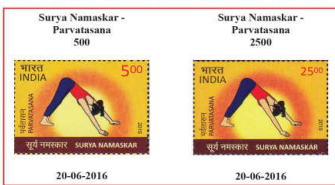
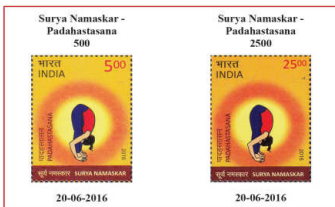
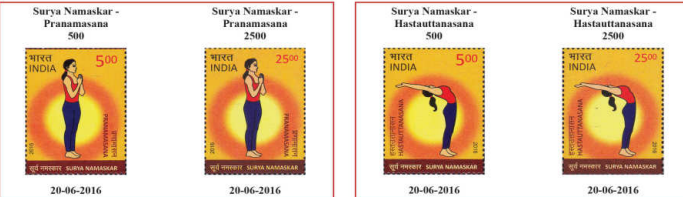


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Correcting the Mistake



Different Denominations with Different Colors



Different Denominations with Same Colors



Same Denominations with Different Colors



Same Denominations expressed differently with Same or similar Colors



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Completion of 25 Years is always a matter of pride and celebration for any event, organization, institution, activity and individual. India Post has honoured such occasions by issuing Commemorative Stamps by mentioning specifically words '25 Years' or '25th Anniversary' in the design of the stamps. A few stamps are presented here...

25th Anniversary of UN



26-06-1970

25th Anniversary of UNESCO



04-11-1971

25th Anniversary of Independence



15-08-1972

25th Anniversary of Establishing Diplomatic Relations between India and Belarus



12-09-2017

25th Anniversary of Independence



26-01-1973

25th Anniversary of Independence



26-01-1973

25 Years of International Services



08-06-1973

25th Anniversary of the Republic



26-01-1975

25 Years of Speed Post - A Premium Service of India Post



EMS Speed Post Ahmedabad 380001 - 24-08-2011

'75 YEARS or 75th ANNIVERSARY'....

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75th Anniversary of First Aerial Post



18-02-1986

75th Anniversary of First Aerial Post



18-02-1986

75th Anniversary of the Jallianwala Bagh Martyrdom



13-04-1994

75 Years of Indian Cinema



30-05-1989

75 Years of Headquarters Delhi Area



26-09-1995

75 Years of Movement 1942 Freedom Movement



09-08-2017

75 Years of Medical Council of India



01-03-2009

75 Years of Utkal University



27-11-2018

75th Anniversary of the First Flag Hoisting at Port Blair



30-12-2018

'50 YEARS or 50th ANNIVERSARY'....

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50 Years of Civil Aviation



15-10-1982

50 Years of Kanha National Park



30-05-1983

50 Years of Corbett National Park



15-12-1986

50 Years of Corbett National Park



15-12-1986

50th Anniversary of USSR



15-10-1982

50 Years of Potato Research



01-04-1985

50 Years of the United Nations



26-01-1995

50 Years of the United Nations



26-01-1995

50 Years of the Republic of India



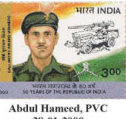
27-01-2000

50 Years of the Republic of India



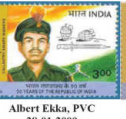
28-01-2000

50 Years of the Republic of India



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28-01-2000

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28-01-2000

50 Years of Customs Act, 1962



26-07-2012

50 Years of Nagaland



01-12-2013

50 Years of Space Co-operation India-France



20-03-2015

50 Years of Space Co-operation India-France



20-03-2015

100 YEARS....

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100 Years of Telephone Services



28-01-1982

100 Years of Post Office Savings Bank



23-10-1982

100 Years of Postal Life Insurance



01-02-1984

100 Years of Service to the Blind



15-10-1987

100 Years A Century of Service Rotary International



23-02-2005

100 Years of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry



16-11-2005

100 Years of Digboi Refinery, Assam



18-12-2001

100 Years of Kalka-Shimla Railway



09-11-2003

100 Years of Indian Oil Production



29-12-1989

100 Years of The Philatelic Society of India



27-03-1997

100 Years of Airmail



12-10-2011

100 Years of Co-operative Movement in India



08-05-2005

100 Years of Mahatma Gandhi's Return



08-01-2015

100 Years of Malayala Manorama



23-03-1988

100 Years of Tata Steel



22-04-2008

SILVER JUBILEE

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Silver Jubilee i.e. Completion of 25 Years is always a matter of pride and celebration for any event, organization, institution, activity and individual. India Post has honoured such occasions by issuing Commemorative Stamps by mentioning specifically words **'SILVER JUBILEE'** in the design of the stamps. A few stamps are presented here...



06-05-1935



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06-05-1935



30-04-1958



30-04-1958



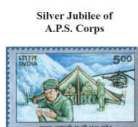
08-06-1961



20-12-1992



07-10-1996



22-01-1997

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Golden Jubilee i.e. Completion of 50 Years is always a matter of pride and celebration for any event, organization, institution, activity and individual. India Post has honoured such occasions by issuing Commemorative Stamps by mentioning specifically words **'GOLDEN JUBILEE'** in the design of the stamps. A few stamps are presented here...



01-03-1958



18-02-1961



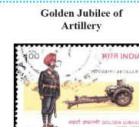
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18-02-1961



24-12-1971



15-01-1985



08-11-1993



30-12-1993



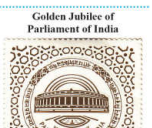
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28-02-1993



10-12-1998



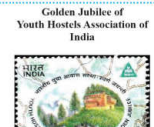
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02-01-1998



02-12-1998

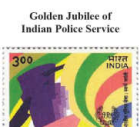


23-08-1998

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13-01-1999



26-11-1999



19-02-1999



25-02-2018



19-12-2011



10-02-1971



05-03-1999



29-05-2003



08-06-1998



30-06-1998

CENTENARY....

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13-01-1951



16-04-1953



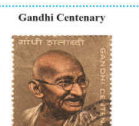
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01-10-1954



20-02-1968



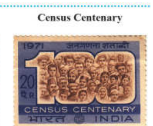
02-10-1969



13-05-2017



31-08-1970



10-03-1971



15-08-1972



14-11-1988



20-06-1989



27-06-1989



18-08-1989



23-09-1989



11-09-1993



14-03-2012

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Mahatma Gandhi Father Of the Nation 15-08-1948 INDIA POSTAGE	Dayanand Saraswati Founder of Arya Samaj 04-03-1962 INDIA POSTAGE	Kasturba Gandhi Freedom Fighter 22-02-1964 INDIA POSTAGE	Vallabhbhai Patel Statesman & Freedom Fighter 31-10-1965 INDIA POSTAGE	Narsinha Mehta Saint & Poet 30-05-1967 INDIA POSTAGE
Thakkar Bapa Social Worker & Gandhi Associate 29-11-1969 INDIA POSTAGE	Vikram Sarabhai Scientist 30-12-1972 INDIA POSTAGE	Vithalbhai Patel Freedom Fighter 27-09-1973 INDIA POSTAGE	Kumar Shri Ranjit Sinhji Cricketer 27-09-1973 INDIA POSTAGE	Narottam Morarjee Shipping Industrialist 02-04-1977 INDIA POSTAGE
Nanaldas Dabipatram Kavi Poet 16-03-1978 INDIA POSTAGE	Mahadev Desai Freedom Fighter 09-08-1983 INDIA POSTAGE	Ravishankar Maharaj Social Worker 24-12-1985 INDIA POSTAGE	K.M. Munshi Writer & Patriot 30-12-1988 INDIA POSTAGE	Shyamji Krishna Varna Nationalist & Patriot 04-10-1989 INDIA POSTAGE
Sayajirao Gaskwad Nationalist Ruler of Baroda 06-10-1989 INDIA POSTAGE	Shri Yogiji Maharaj Saint & Spiritual Master 02-12-1992 INDIA POSTAGE	Vijay Merchant Cricketer 13-03-1996 INDIA POSTAGE	Vinoob Mankad Cricketer 13-03-1996 INDIA POSTAGE	Morarji Desai Former Prime Minister 28-02-1997 INDIA POSTAGE

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Pandit Omkarnath Thakur Classical Singer 24-06-1997 INDIA POSTAGE	Jhaverchand Kalidas Meghani Poet & Writer 14-09-1999 INDIA POSTAGE	Chhaganlal K. Parekh Social Reformer 09-10-1999 INDIA POSTAGE	Brigadier Rajinder Singh First recipient o MVC Medal 27-10-1999 INDIA POSTAGE	Indulal Kanaiyalal Yagnik Freedom Fighter 09-12-1999 INDIA POSTAGE
Balwantrai Mehta Architect of Panchayat Raj 17-02-2000 INDIA POSTAGE	Dhirubhai H. Ambani Industrialist 28-12-2002 INDIA POSTAGE	Kakaji Maharaj Saint & Spiritual Master 30-03-2003 INDIA POSTAGE	Walchand Hirachand Industrialist 23-11-2004 INDIA POSTAGE	Dula Bhaya Kag Poet 25-11-2004 INDIA POSTAGE
Virchand Raghavji Gandhi Jain Scholar 08-11-2009 INDIA POSTAGE	Vaju Kotak Founder of Chitraklekha 20-04-2011 INDIA POSTAGE	Sanjeev Kumar Actor 03-05-2013 INDIA POSTAGE	Shankar Jalikshan Music Directors (Jalikshan was Gujarati) 03-05-2013 INDIA POSTAGE	Jainacharya Vallabh Suri Jain Spiritual Master 21-02-2009 INDIA POSTAGE
Govardhanram Tripathi Author 27-04-2016 INDIA POSTAGE	Pramukh Swami Maharaj Saint & Spiritual Master 07-12-2016 INDIA POSTAGE	Shrimad Rajchandrji Saint & Spiritual Master 29-06-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Kakaji & Pappaji Saint & Spiritual Masters 28-12-2018 INDIA POSTAGE	

GUJARAT... Page 3... Vibrant Gujarat

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“જુરૂ જુરૂતલી”..... Fragrance & Facets of Gujarat

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Kankrej Cow 25-04-2000 INDIA POSTAGE	Gir Cow 25-04-2000 INDIA POSTAGE	Kathiawadi Horse 09-11-2009 INDIA POSTAGE	Wild Animal Black Buck 29-10-2015 INDIA POSTAGE
Lion in Wildlife Series 07-10-1963 INDIA POSTAGE	Gir Lion 01-10-1976 INDIA POSTAGE	Indian Lion 29-10-2015 INDIA POSTAGE	Ghor Khar, Kutch 10-05-2013 INDIA POSTAGE
Black Buck 20-07-2000 INDIA POSTAGE	Saras Crane 20-07-2000 INDIA POSTAGE		
Dandi March 04-05-2005 INDIA POSTAGE	Dandi March 04-05-2005 INDIA POSTAGE	Dandi March 04-05-2005 INDIA POSTAGE	Dandi March 04-05-2005 INDIA POSTAGE
Freedom Movement Dandi March 2-10-1980 INDIA POSTAGE	Port Deendayal Port, Kandala 17-02-2018 INDIA POSTAGE	Magazine Doot 15-01-2011 INDIA POSTAGE	Temples Satrunjaya Temple, Palitana 15-08-1949 INDIA POSTAGE
			Somnath 01-11-1976 INDIA POSTAGE

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Embroidery Hand Fan, Gujarat 30-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Mirror work Hand Fan, Gujarat 30-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Beads Hand Fan, Gujarat 30-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Leather Hand Fan, Gujarat 30-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE
Folk Art Patan Patola 15-11-2002 INDIA POSTAGE	Warli Painting 20-06-2012 INDIA POSTAGE	Festival Kite Festival 07-01-2015 INDIA POSTAGE	Dandiya Dance India-Portugal - Joint Issue 07-01-2017 INDIA POSTAGE
Costume Gujarati Turban 10-02-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Rural Indian Woman 15-10-1997 INDIA POSTAGE	Museum Kachchh Museum 27-07-1978 INDIA POSTAGE	Baroda Museum 20-12-1994 INDIA POSTAGE
Monuments Rani-ki-Vav, Patan 29-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Dada Hari Stepwell, Ahmedabad 29-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Adalaj Stepwell, Adalaj 29-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE	Surya Kund, Modhera 29-12-2017 INDIA POSTAGE
			Gujrati Cuisine Dhokla 03-11-2017 INDIA POSTAGE

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Utkalmani Pandit Gopabandhu Das Poet & Patriot 04-01-1964 	Jatindra Nath Mukherjee Revolutionary 09-09-1970 	Utkal Gourab Madhusudan Das Social Reformer 03-07-1974 	V.V. Giri 4th President of India 24-08-1974 
Chaitanya Mahaprabhu Religious Reformer 13-03-1986 	Veer Surendra Sai Revolutionary 30-12-1986 	Birsa Munda Freedom Fighter 15-11-1988 	Shaheed Laxman Nayak Tribal Leader 29-03-1989 
Krushna Chandra Gajapati Founder of Odisha 25-04-1992 	Fakirmohan Senapati Literature 14-01-1993 	Samanta Chandra Sekhar Astronomer 11-06-2001 	Jayadeva and Geetavindya Princely State Bamra 27-07-2009 
Dr. Harekrishna Mahatab Writer 02-01-1989 	Dr. Harekrishna Mahatab Writer 17-02-2000 	Biju Pattnaik Politician 05-03-1999 	Biju Pattnaik Politician 03-05-2018 

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Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Sixty Seventh Birth Anniversary 23-01-1964 	Golden Jubilee INA 31-12-1993 	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Freedom Fighter 23-01-1997 	75th Anniversary of the first flag hoisting at Port Blair 30-12-2018 
Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Freedom Fighter 23-01-1997 	Special Cover विशेष छात्रण NETAJI PEX 97 		

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ODISHA... The Soul of Incredible India... Page 3...Temples, Monuments, Art & Culture

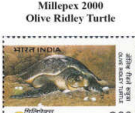
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Konark Horse 15-08-1949 	Bhubaneswara 15-08-1949 	Temples & Monuments Rath Yatra, Puri 12-07-2010 	Sun Temple, Konark 01-12-2001 
Konark Elephant 01-07-1966 	Shri Jagannath Dham, Puri Nabakalehara 17-07-2015 	Jagannath Temple, Puri 15-09-2003 	Mahaprasad - Rice 17-09-2017 
Orissi Dance 20-10-1975 	Cities of India - Cuttack 24-12-1990 	Bharat Paryatan Divas 25-01-1998 	Universal Postal Union Mask for Chhau Dance 09-10-1999 
Dhokra 15-11-2002 	Alekh Baba Odisha 30-12-2017 	Paika Rebellion 24-12-2018 	

ODISHA... The Soul of Incredible India... Page 4... Nature, Steel etc.

ODISHA... The Soul of Incredible India... Page 4... Nature, Steel, Sports, Mangroves & Educational Institutions

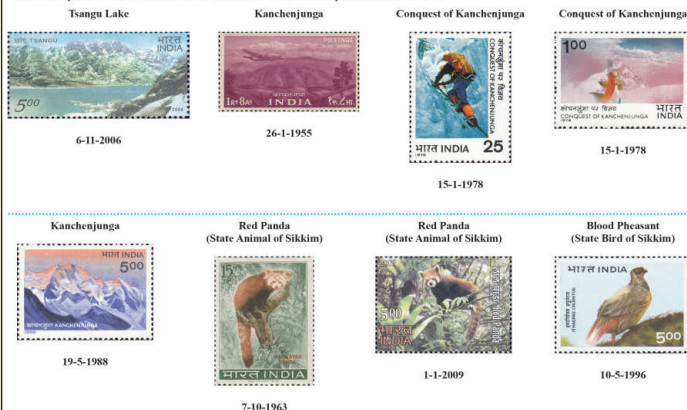
Odisha, the state with a glorious history, is a state of nature and adventure. It is the land of paddy fields and palm fringed silver beaches, temples, rivers, waterfalls, mangroves and tribal people. One can explore the beauty and bounty of nature and wildlife. It has various monuments which gloriously stand to remind of the history of the State. Odisha's art and culture, fairs and festivals, dances and music are a treat for the tourists. It is a culturally rich state. The Bhubaneswar-Puri-Konark golden triangle is the pride of the State. India Post has issued many stamps on different facets of Odisha. A few are presented here

Gopalpur on Sea - Orissa 11-08-1997 	Millepex 2000 Olive Ridley Turtle 29-01-2000 	Sail 50 Years - 03-02-2009 	Pigeon Post 03-11-1989 
Rourkela Steel Plant 26-01-1955 			
Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup, Bhubaneswar 2018 28-11-2018 			
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Hirakud Dam 29-10-1979 	White Tiger - Rewa 29-11-1987 	Ravenshaw College 24-12-1978 	S.K.C.G. College 25-05-1996 
Utkal University 27-11-2018 			

SIKKIM...North-Eastern State

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Sikkim is one of the eight states of North-Eastern India. It is the least populous and second smallest among the Indian states. A part of the Eastern Himalayas, it is notable for its biodiversity, including alpine and subtropical climate climates, as well as being a host to Kanchenjunga, the highest peak in India and third highest on Earth. Almost 35% of the state is covered by the Kanchenjunga National Park. Sikkim is situated in an ecological hotspot of the lower Himalayas, one of only three among the Eco regions of India. India Post has issued some stamps on facets of Sikkim State. An effort is made here to present some of them.



FDC with Cachet of Rhododendrons in Yumthang Flower Valley of Sikkim & Cancellation of Bombay dated 29-5-1982



ARUNACHAL PRADESH, MEGHALAYA, MIZORAM & TRIPURA...North-Eastern States

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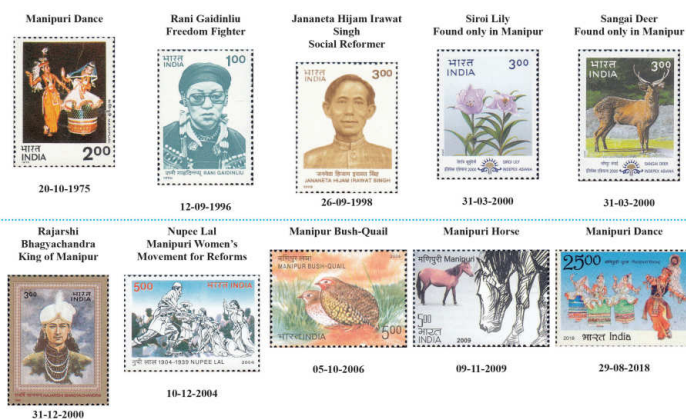
North East States of India comprises of eight States viz. - Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura. Northeast India has a predominantly humid sub-tropical climate. It has rainforests, which support diverse flora and fauna and several crop species. These States have many Wild Life Sanctuaries & National Parks. These States have various ethnic groups and dialects. All states in Northeast India share the handicrafts of bamboo and cane, wood carving, making traditional weapons and musical instruments, pottery and handloom weaving. The tribal heritage in the region is rich with the practice of hunting, land cultivation and indigenous crafts. The rich culture is vibrant and visible with the traditional attires of each community. The Culture of these States has been particularly influential in the fields of literature, music, art, architecture. Social reforms and politics. India Post has issued many stamps on various facets of these North East States. Here an effort is made to present some stamps of above mentioned 4 States.



MANIPUR...North-Eastern State...

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Manipur is the North-eastern State of India. During the Raj, the Kingdom of Manipur was one of the Princely States. Manipur is rich in flora, fauna and scenic beauty. Manipur has been at the crossroads of Asian economic and cultural exchange for more than 2,500 years. India Post has issued various stamps on personalities and other facets of Manipur. An effort is made here to present some of them.



First Day Cover of Set of Stamps of Natural Heritage of Manipur & Tripura issued in INDEPEX ASIANA 2000 with Cancellation of Ahmedabad dated 31-3-2000

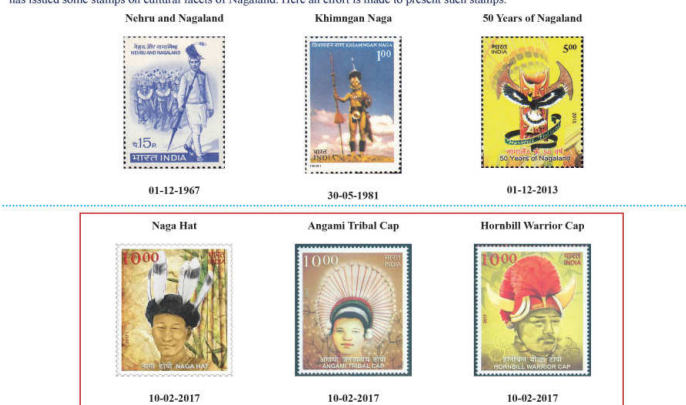


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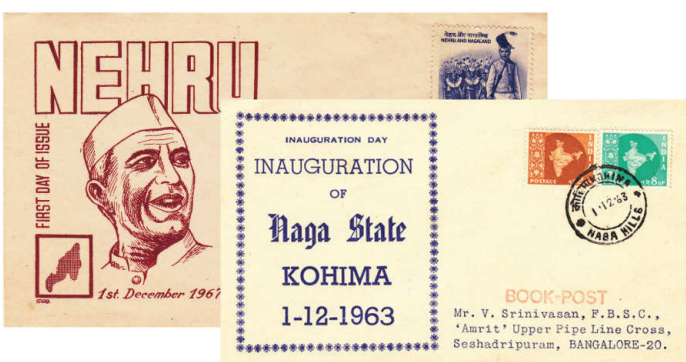
NAGALAND...North-Eastern State

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Nagaland is one of the important North-East States of India. The state is inhabited by 16 tribes and each tribe is unique in character with its own distinct customs, language and dress. The rich culture is vibrant and visible with the traditional attires of each tribal community. The diversity of people and tribes, each with their own culture and heritage, creates a year-long atmosphere of celebrations. Agriculture is the most important economic activity and the principal crops include rice, corn, millets, pulses, tobacco, sugarcane, potatoes and fibers. Other significant economic activity includes forestry, tourism, insurance, real estate, and miscellaneous cottage industries. India Post has issued some stamps on cultural facets of Nagaland. Here an effort is made to present such stamps.



Two Private Covers
(1) Nehru & Nagaland of 1-12-1967 (2) Inauguration of Naga State (Nagaland) with Kohima as its Capital on 1-12-1963



DELHI...Page 1...The pulsating National Capital of India

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Delhi is the Capital, the Heart of India. It is more famous for its history and culture. It has innumerable heritage monuments and artistic architectural buildings. Central Delhi is the seat of the country's political power and has magnificent buildings of the Rashtrapati Bhawan on Raisina Hill, the Rajpath, and the India Gate. India Post has issued many stamps, cancellations and postal stationery depicting historic and heritage Monuments and Buildings of Delhi. An effort is made here to present some of them.

Inauguration of New Delhi - 09-02-1931 Purana Qila Known as Old Fort  The Viceroy's House Now Rashtrapati Bhawan 			War Memorial Arch Now India Gate  Secretariat Now the Prime Minister's Office 	COUNCIL HOUSE Now Parliament House  Dominion Column & Secretariat Office Buildings of Central Government 
Red Fort, Delhi  15-08-1949	Qutub Minar, Delhi  15-08-1949	Qutub Minar Tokyo Tower  05-12-2013	Guru Tegh Bahadur Gurdwara at Chandni Chowk  16-12-1975	Pragati Maidan World Philatelic Exhibition - New Delhi  15-06-1987
Iron Pillar - Delhi India-89 World Philatelic Exhibition  17-10-1987	India Gate - New Delhi India-89 World Philatelic Exhibition  17-10-1987	Dewan-e-Khas in Red Fort - Delhi India-89 World Philatelic Exhibition  17-10-1987	Old Fort - Delhi India-89 World Philatelic Exhibition  17-10-1987	

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Rashtrapati Bhawan, Lotus Temple etc. New Delhi Diamond Jubilee  25-06-1991	Red Fort G.S. Dhillon, Shah Nawaz Khan, P.K. Sahgal  15-08-1997	Supreme Court of India Golden Jubilee  26-11-1999
Parliament House 53rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference  23-09-2007	Old Delhi Station  16-08-2009	Delhi G.P.O.  13-05-2010
Humayun Tomb Aga Khan Foundation  17-05-2008	Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium  01-08-2010	Talkatora Stadium  01-08-2010
Rashtrapati Bhawan  05-08-2011	Delhi Gymkhana Club  03-07-2013	Akshardham Temple, New Delhi  07-12-2016

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BOMBAY, now Mumbai, is the financial, commercial and entertainment capital of India. It has many heritage historic Monuments, scientific/ nuclear Institutes, Colleges, Library, Government Institutions etc. India Post has honoured such buildings of such Monuments, Institutes, Organizations etc. by issuing Definitive and Commemorative Stamps showing their magnificent buildings & locations in the design of the stamps. A few stamps are presented here...

Heritage Buildings

Bombay University, Rajabai Tower  31-12-1957	Bombay High Court  14-08-1962	Bombay General Post Office  12-04-2013	Bombay Municipal Corporation  31-07-1993
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Victoria Terminus Railway Station  30-05-1988	Mumbai Central Railway Station  16-08-2009	Gateway of India  06-05-1935	Western Railway Building, Church gate  06-02-2001
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Landmark Structures

Bombay Stock Exchange  09-07-2016	India Government Mint  27-12-2018	Atomic Power Station (Definitive)  01-11-1976	David Sassoon Library  30-11-1998
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Historic Buildings & Attractive Location

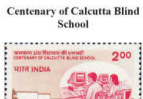
Bombay Port Trust  26-06-1999	Wilson College  11-12-2007	St Xavier's College  04-12-1994	Marine Drive, The beautiful Boulevard (Definitive)  26-01-1955
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CALCUTTA...Classic City with Charisma & Creativity...

CALCUTTA...Classic City with Creativity...

Heritage buildings, Monuments & historic Institutions...

Calcutta, now known as Kolkata from 2001, is the Capital of the Indian State of West Bengal. As a nucleus of the 19th- and early 20th-century Bengal Renaissance and a religiously and ethnically diverse Centre of culture in Bengal and India, Kolkata has local traditions in drama, art, film, theatre, and literature. It has great heritage buildings, historic monuments of excellent architecture and many institutions and organizations. India Post has issued Commemorative/ Definitive Stamps highlighting heritage & history of Kolkata. Some such stamps are presented here.

Jain Temple, Calcutta  06-05-1935	Victoria Memorial, Calcutta  06-05-1935	Calcutta High Court  01-07-1962	Calcutta GPO Building  02-10-1968	Port Commissioners Calcutta  17-10-1970
Scottish Church College, Calcutta  27-09-1980	Medical College, Calcutta  20-02-1985	St. Xavier's College, Calcutta  12-04-1985	Shaheed Minar  28-12-1990	Ganga : The River of Life  28-12-1990
Centenary of Calcutta Blind School  30-11-1994	Howrah Station  16-08-2009	150 Years of Kolkata Police Commissionerate  19-11-2005	Calcutta Girls' High School  21-04-2006	
Howrah Bridge  17-08-2007	Sanskrit College, Calcutta  25-02-1999	Indian Museum, Kolkata  02-02-2014		

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Personalities, Places, Art & Institutions...

Varanasi is a city on the banks of the river Ganga in Uttar Pradesh, India. It is a major religious hub in India and is the holiest of the seven sacred cities in Hinduism and Jainism, and played an important role in the development of Buddhism. Varanasi has been a cultural and pilgrimage centre of North India for hundreds of years. Many Saints, Poets, Social Reformers and other stalwart personalities belong to Varanasi. The city is known worldwide for its many Ghats, embankments made in steps of stone slabs along the river bank where pilgrims perform ritual ablutions. It is famous for its muslin and silk fabrics. India Post has issued some Stamps on Personalities and various other facets of Varanasi. Some such stamps are presented here.



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Agra is a city on the banks of the Yamuna River in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh. It is a major tourist destination because of its many Mughal-era buildings, most notably the Taj Mahal, Agra Fort and Fatehpur Sikri, all of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. It has a booming tourism industry as well as royal crafts like Pietra Dura, marble inlay and carpets. India Post has issued some Stamps on Personalities, Art, Architecture and various other artistic facets of Agra. Some such stamps are presented here.



GOA... Small State with beautiful Beaches

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Goa is a State considered to be part of Western as well as Southern India within the coastal region known as the Konkan, separated from the Deccan highlands of the state of Karnataka by the Western Ghats. Goa is visited by large numbers of international and domestic tourists each year for its white sand beaches, nightlife, places of worship and World Heritage architecture. It has rich flora and fauna, owing to its location on the Western Ghats range, a biodiversity hotspot. India Post has issued various stamps on personalities and other facets of Goa. An effort is made here to present some of them.



SCHOOLS.... 'Temples of Learning, Education & Culture'

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School...A building which has four walls with tomorrow inside

A school is an Educational Institution designed to provide learning spaces and learning environments for the teaching of students under the direction of teachers. India has many schools which are running since more than 100 years and are located in different parts of the country. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps on some schools on various occasions pertaining to these schools. Some of them are presented here.

Lawrence School, Lovedale, Ooty (T.N.) - 130th Anniversary  31-5-1988	Calcutta Blind School - Centenary  30-11-1994	Lawrence School, Sanawar (H.P.) - 150th Anniversary  4-10-1997	Scindia School, Gwalior (Se-tenant) - Centenary  20-10-1997
Bethune Collegiate School, Calcutta - 150th Anniversary  7-5-1999	Kodaikanal International School Kodaikanal (T.N.) - Centenary  26-8-2000	Woodstock School, Mussoorie - 150th Anniversary  2-6-2004	Calcutta Girl's High School - 150 Years  21-4-2006
Boys' High School, Allahabad - 150th Year  5-11-2013			
Indraprastha Girl's School, Delhi  8-7-2006	St. Joseph Boy's High School, Bangalore - 150th Anniversary  28-11-2008	Sacred Heart Matriculation H.S. School, Chennai  9-9-2009	Bishop Cotton School, Shimla  6-10-2009
Convent of Jesus & Mary, Ambala Cantt  2-12-2009	The Doon School, Dehradun  22-10-2010	Cathedral & John Canon School, Mumbai  27-10-2010	La Martiniere School, Kolkata - 175 Years  1-3-2011

COLLEGES - PLACES OF EDUCATION

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A college may be a degree-awarding tertiary educational institution, a part of a collegiate or federal university. India has many renowned Colleges who have imparted education for many years. India Post has recognized their noble service and has issued stamps celebrating their Anniversaries or Centenary. Here a few such stamps are presented.

Scrapmore College West Bengal  Celebrating 150th Anniversary 07-06-1969	Nalanda College Bihar  Celebrating Centenary 27-3-1970	Bethune College Calcutta  Celebrating Centenary 04-09-1978	Ravenshaw College Cuttack  Celebrating Centenary 24-12-1978	Scottish Church College Calcutta  Celebrating 150th Anniversary 28-08-1980
St. Stephen's College Delhi  Celebrating Centenary 01-02-1981	Fergusson College Pune  Celebrating Centenary 02-01-1985	Medical College Calcutta  Celebrating 150th Anniversary 28-02-1985	Medical College Madras  Celebrating 150th Anniversary 06-03-1985	St. Xavier's College Calcutta  Celebrating 125th Anniversary 12-04-1985
Mayo College Ajmer  12-04-1986	Government Mohindra College Patiala  14-03-1988	Sydenham College Bombay  Celebrating 75th Anniversary 19-04-1989	La Martiniere College Lucknow  Celebrating 150th Anniversary 01-10-1995	
S.K.C.G. College Gajapati, Orissa  Celebrating Centenary 25-05-1996	Anglo Bengali Inter College Allahabad  23-12-2002	Scott Christian College Nagercoil  28-06-2018	Hislop College Nagpur  17-09-2018	

UNIVERSITIES...TEMPLES OF EDUCATION

UNIVERSITIES - TEMPLES OF KNOWLEDGE

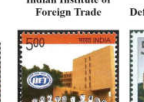
India has many Universities which are the Institutions of higher education offering tuition in mainly non-vocational subjects and having the power to confer degrees. For seekers of Knowledge they are the Temples of Knowledge or Places of Pilgrimage. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps to honor them for their service to the nation. Here a few are presented.

Bombay University  31-12-1957	Madras University  31-12-1957	Calcutta University  15-03-1969	Osmania University  29-10-1970	Jamia Millia Islamia University Delhi  29-10-1970
Kashi Vidyapith  10-02-1971	Visva-Bharati University Shantiniketan, WB  24-12-1971	SNDT Women's University  03-09-1976	Allahabad University  23-09-1987	Panjab University, Chandigarh  19-05-1989
Banaras Hindu University  20-01-1991	University of Roorkee  01-01-1997	Jadavpur University  21-12-2005	Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University, Lucknow  23-12-2011	
Banaras Hindu University  28-06-2017	Utkal University  27-11-2018	Patna University  25-08-2018		

INSTITUTES... Places of learning 'Skill with Scale & Speed'.....

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National institutes or central institutes are institutes established by the Government of India and supported by national agencies such as CSIR, ICAR, MoHFW, DBT, DST, ICMR, DAE, MHRD etc. including the prestigious Institutes of National Importance. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps on such prestigious Institutes. Some of them are presented here.

Forest Research Institute 4th World Forestry Congress, Dehra Dun  11-12-1954	International Statistical Institute-41st Session  13-12-1977	Institution of Engineers (India)  17-02-1980	Institute of Mental Health Madras  23-09-1994	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research  09-02-1996
Indian Institute of Social Welfare & Business Management  25-4-2004	Indian Agricultural Research Institute  30-3-2006	Indian Institute of Science  14-12-2008	Madhav Institute of Technology & Science, Gwalior  30-6-2008	
Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh  07-01-2013	Indian Institute of Foreign Trade  10-12-2013	Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses  30-12-2015	All India Institute of Medical Sciences  3-12-2016	Bharat Ratna Bhim Rao Ambedkar Institute of Telecom Training, Jabalpur  22-4-2017
ICAR-Central Planation Crop Research Institute  8-1-2018	The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India  1-7-2018	Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology  24-1-2019	Indian Institute of Technology Banaras Hindu University  19-2-2019	

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Hindu Temples



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'जो बोले सो मिहल'... सत् श्री अकाल' - One will be blessed eternally who says that God is the ultimate truth -Sikh Jaikara

A Gurdwara (meaning "door to the Guru") is a place of worship for Sikhs. Each gurdwara has a Darbar Sahib where the current and everlasting guru of the Sikhs, the scripture Guru Granth Sahib, is placed on a takhalimnoli (an elevated throne) in a prominent central position. The raagis (who sing Ragas) recite, and explain the verses from the Guru Granth Sahib, in the presence of the congregation. A Gurdwara can be identified from a distance by tall flagpoles bearing the Nishan Sahib, the Sikh flag. The Harmandir Sahib in Amritsar, India, known informally as the Golden Temple, is the holiest Gurdwara of Sikhism. India Post has honored such great Gurdwaras by issuing their Commemorative Stamps and Cancellations. Some of them are presented here.



FDC having Gurdwara Harmandir Sahib (Golden Temple) picture in the Official Cancellation — 26-12-1987



CHURCHES...Places of Worship for Christians ...

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Churches are buildings used for Christian religious activities, particularly for worship services. They have a variety of architectural styles and layouts. In traditional Christian architecture, the church is often arranged in the shape of a Christian Cross. Towers or domes are often added with the intention of directing the eye of the viewer towards the heavens and inspiring visitors. In India there are many Churches with magnificent art & Architecture. India Post has honoured these Churches by issuing several Commemorative Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.



Special Cover with Permanent Pictorial Cancellation of Vailankanni Basilica (Church) 29-11-1976



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Red Fort,
Delhi



15-08-1949

Gwalior Fort,
Madhya Pradesh



03-08-1984

Vellore Fort,
Tamilnadu



03-08-1984

Simhadgad Fort,
Maharashtra



03-08-1984

Jodhpur Fort,
Rajasthan



03-08-1984

Dewan-e-Khas in Red Fort,
Delhi



17-10-1987

Old Fort,
Delhi



17-10-1987

Golconda Fort



31-12-2002

Palace, Chandragiri Fort



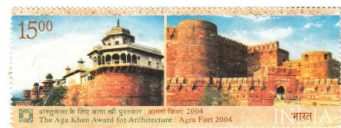
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The Aga Khan Award for Architecture
Agra Fort



28-11-2004

Jaisalmer Fort, Jaisalmer
Heritage Monuments Preservation by INTACH



28-01-2009

Qila Mubarak, Patiala
Heritage Monuments Preservation by INTACH



28-01-2009

Kumbhalgarh Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
UNESCO
World Heritage Sites in India



29-12-2018

Gagron Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
UNESCO
World Heritage Sites in India



29-12-2018

Ranthambore Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
UNESCO
World Heritage Sites in India



29-12-2018

Amer Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
UNESCO
World Heritage Sites in India



29-12-2018

Jaisalmer Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
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29-12-2018

Chittorgarh Fort
Hill Forts of Rajasthan
UNESCO
World Heritage Sites in India



29-12-2018

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India's territorial boundary in two-dimensional representation of the surface

India is the seventh-largest country by area, located on the Indian subcontinent in South Asia. India was home to the ancient Indus Valley Civilization, and is the birthplace of four world religions—Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism. It became an Independent Nation in 1947 after a struggle for independence. It is the most populous democracy in the world. India Post stamp designers have depicted map of India on Stamps, which have the subject of India as integrated & united territory or India on the Globe when some International Theme is being projected. Some such stamps & Cancellations, where Map of India is shown either prominently or on the Globe, are presented here.



Victory of the Allied Powers in World War II



02-01-1946

Universal Postal Union



10-10-1949

Map of India
Definitive Series



01-04-1957

First World Agriculture
Fair, New Delhi



30-12-1959

Panchayat Raj



26-01-1962

6th General Assembly
International Organisation
for Standardization



09-11-1964

XXII International
Geological Congress



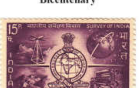
14-12-1964

XX Congress of
International Chamber of
Commerce, New Delhi



08-02-1965

Survey of India
Bicentenary



01-05-1967

Ind-European Telegraph
Line



09-11-1967

II International Conference-
Seminar of Tamil Studies



03-01-1968

First Asian Regional Red
Cross Conference, New Delhi



09-03-1977

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India's territorial boundary in two-dimensional representation of the surface

India is the seventh-largest country by area, located on the Indian subcontinent in South Asia. India was home to the ancient Indus Valley Civilization, and is the birthplace of four world religions—Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism. It became an Independent Nation in 1947 after a struggle for independence. It is the most populous democracy in the world. India Post stamp designers have depicted map of India on Stamps, which have the subject of India as integrated & united territory or India on the Globe when some International Theme is being projected. Some such stamps & Cancellations, where Map of India is shown either prominently or on the Globe, are presented here.



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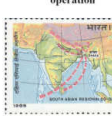
24-12-1981

World Communications
Year



18-07-1983

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operation



08-12-1985

Hindi Day



14-09-1988

Asian-Pacific Postal
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04-09-1995

Dr. K.B. Hedgewar



18-03-1999

Technology Day



11-05-1999

Field Post Office



08-12-2006

Damodar Dharmananda
Kosambi



31-07-2008

Reaching out to Maritime
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04-12-2008

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Hand holding Torch - Symbol of Games 1st Asian Games 1951 04-03-1951	Hand holding Torch - Symbol of Games 1st Asian Games 1951 04-03-1951	Hand passing Flag to another Hand Children's Day 14-11-1962	Hands hungry for Food Freedom from Hunger 21-03-1963
Hands - Symbol of Co-operation International Co-operation Year 26-06-1965	Saluting Hand - Symbol of Scout Diamond Jubilee Scout Movement 27-12-1967	Hands holding spanners - Symbol of labour International Labour Organisation - 1919-1969 11-04-1969	Hands paying Homage to martyrs 50th Anniversary of Jallianwala Bagh 13-04-1969
Hands holding Lamp Dr. Montessori Centenary 31-08-1970	Hands holding Magnifying Glass India National Philatelic Exhibition 23-12-1970	Saluting Hand - Symbol of Girl Guide Movement Diamond Jubilee of Girl Guide Movement in India 27-12-1970	Hands protecting Lamp of Life Centenary of Indian Life Insurance 11-01-1971
Hands putting Money in a Saving Box World Thrift Day 31-10-1971	Symbolic Hand in 'Abhay Mudra' - Insignia of ASIA 72 Asia 72 03-11-1972	Hand in 'Abhay Mudra' - Insignia of ASIA 72 Asia 72 03-11-1972	Hands flying Doves - Symbol of Peace International Women's Year 16-02-1975

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Hand holding Ball in Olympic XXI Olympic Games 17-07-1976	Hands holding Hearts & giving Life Support Voluntary Blood Donation 01-10-1976	Hands protecting Environment World Environment Day 05-06-1977	Symbolic Hand assuring Life 100 Years of Postal Life Insurance 01-02-1984
Hand holding flower as Symbol of Peace International Year of Peace 24-10-1986	Hands giving Protection Eye Donation 15-10-1987	Hand holding Hand & teaching writing International Literacy Year 08-09-1990	Hand Symbolising Peace World Peace 07-02-1991
Hand holding Torch Sri Ram Sharma Acharya 27-06-1991	Symbolic Hands protecting Youth SAARC Youth Year 12-01-1995	Hand greeting another Hand 50 Years of the United Nations 26-06-1995	Hand holding Torch Spirit of Olympics Athens-Atlanta 25-06-1996
Hands-Symbol of Co-operation Mizoram Accord 30-06-1999	Hand Symbolising Peace Yesu Krist Jayanti-2000 25-12-1999	Symbolic Hand - 'Abhay Mudra' Bhagwan Mahavira 2600th Jannu Kalyanak 06-04-2001	Symbolic Hands embracing Earth Children's Day 14-11-2001

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Handshake-Symbol of Service & Co-operation International Year of Volunteers 05-12-2001	Hand Symbol of Safety & Protection 100 Years of Directorate General of Mines Safety 07-01-2002	Hands indicating Service to the World Rotary International Centenary 23-02-2005
Hands - Symbol of Co-operation 100 Years of Co-operative Movement in India 08-05-2005	Hands of blind reading Braille script Louis Braille Birth Bicentenary 04-01-2009	Symbolic Hands lifting youth to new heights by Education Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh 07-01-2013
Hands saving Money Golden Jubilee of National Savings Organisation 30-06-1998	Hands of Dancer showing Dance Mudra Vibrant India 25-01-2016	Hands protecting Lever National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme 28-07-2018
Hand holding Queen's Baton in Commonwealth Games 25-06-2010		

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Commemorative Stamps					
Hands working on Lathe Machine National Small Industries Fair 17-11-1978	Hands doing Magic P.C. Sorcar 23-02-2010	Hands working in the Field International Year of Biodiversity 05-06-2010	Hands cleaning Street Swachh Bharat 30-01-2015	Hands cleaning Street Swachh Bharat 30-01-2015	Hands of Potter making Earthen Vessels Potter's Wheel 26-01-2018
Hands making Blue Pottery Blue Pottery of Jaipur 31-12-2018	Hands making Maddalam Maddalam of Palakkad 31-12-2018	Hands making Bronzeware Karnataka Bronzeware 31-12-2018	Hands making Embroidery Kutch Embroidery 31-12-2018	Hands making Sikki Grass Products Sikki Grass Products of Bihar 31-12-2018	
Definitive Stamps					
Hands plucking Tea Plucking Tea 15-08-1965	Hands of Farmers working in Paddy Fields Harvest 103-09-1979	Hands of Lady holding Milk Pots on her Head Dairy 25-01-1982	Hands of Weaver weaving Handloom cloth Handloom Weaving 07-12-1980	Hands of Lady tapping Rubber Rubber Tapping 23-11-1980	
Hands of Naga Woman weaving at a Handloom 26-01-1955	Hands of Lady spinning Charkha 26-01-1955	Hands of Men working at Hindustan Aircraft Factory, Bangalore 26-01-1955	Hands of Men working at Indian Telephone Industries Bangalore 26-01-1955		

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 Sun in drawing Children's Day 14-11-1973	 Sun as Mask 15-04-1974	 Sun as Symbol Union Public Service Commission 08-11-1977	 Sun as Symbol of Solar Energy 01-01-1988
 Sun in drawing Children's Day 14-11-1992	 First Sunrise of the Millennium 01-01-2000	 Chandragupta Maurya 21-07-2001	 Symbolic Sun Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Day 21-10-2001
 Sun Temple, Konark 01-12-2001	 Konark Horse 15-08-1949	 Konark Elephant 01-07-1966	 Sun source of Solar Energy Rajiv Gandhi Renewable Energy Day 20-08-2004
 Symbolic Sun Energy Conservation 14-12-2004	 Symbolic Sun Pongal 12-01-2006	 Sun in drawing Children's Day 14-11-2007	 Sun source of Solar Energy Renewable Energy 22-11-2007

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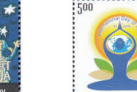
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 Surya Namaskar - Pranamasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Hastautanasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Padahastanasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Asvasanchalanasana 20-06-2016
 Surya Namaskar - Parvatasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Ashtanga Namaskara 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Bhujangasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Parvatasana 20-06-2016
 Surya Namaskar - Asvasanchalanasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Padahastanasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Hastautanasana 20-06-2016	 Surya Namaskar - Pranamasana 20-06-2016
 Symbolic Sun Greetings 15-12-2007	 Symbolic Sun Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan 15-12-2014	 Sun Set at Godavari Pushkaram My Stamp 14-07-2015	 Symbolic Sun Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited 16-11-2015
 Symbolic Sun Swachh Bharat 02-10-2016			

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 Symbolic Sun India Post Payments Bank 30-01-2017	 Sun Ramayana 22-09-2017	 Sun in drawing Children's Day 14-11-2017	 Symbolic Sun Jayaprakash Narayan 11-10-2001
 Symbolic Sun Golden Jubilee of National Savings Organisation 30-06-1998	 Symbolic Sun Care for the Girl Child 09-05-1990	 Symbolic Sun Cities of India - Bikaner 24-12-1990	 Symbolic Sun Anglo Bengali Inter College, Allahabad 23-12-2002
 Symbolic Sun Goa Carnival 27-02-2007	 Sun in drawing Children's Day 14-11-2007	 Symbolic Sun International Day of Yoga 21-06-2015	 Symbolic Sun Yoga 2016
 Symbolic Sun Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited 16-11-2015	 Symbolic Sun Season's Greetings 23-12-2016	 Sun Set at 75th Anniversary of the First Flag Hoisting at Port Blair 30-12-2018	

AURA... 'Aabha Mandal'

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The Aura is the light around the body. Every living human has an energy field around them. Artists have depicted it like a halo or a bubble of light surrounding the head or the physical body. The auras of Deities, Saints and Spiritual Masters are very strong. We can see and feel the light and lustre of their 'Aura'. India Post has issued many stamps of Deities, Saints & Spiritual Masters showing 'Aura' around their head. An effort is made here to present some of them.

 Maharshi Valmiki 14-10-1970	 Sant Ravidas 10-02-1971	 Swami Virjanand 14-09-1971	 Chaitanya Mahaprabhu 13-03-1986	 Guru Ghasidas 01-09-1987
 Maharshi Dadhichi 26-03-1988	 Dnyaneshwari 31-12-1990	 Sri Basaveswara 08-08-1997	 Sant Kavi Sunderdas 08-11-1997	
 Saint Vallalar 17-08-2007	 Shri Shirdi Sai Baba 20-05-2008	 Saint Alphonsa 16-11-2008	 Sant Shadaram Sahib 25-10-2010	 Ramanujacharya 01-05-2017
 Aura around Lord Rama Ramayan 02-09-2017	 Aura around Lord Rama Ramayan 02-09-2017	 Aura around Lord Rama & Sita Ramayan 02-09-2017		

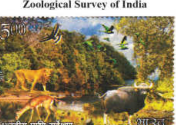
ELEPHANT...An elegant and intelligent animal...**ELEPHANT... An elegant and intelligent animal....**

Elephant or Gaja is a very intelligent and magnificent animal having references in Hindu scriptures & Buddhist/Jain texts. It personifies many positive attributes, including abundance, fertility and richness; boldness and strength; and wisdom and royalty. Several deities in India have elephants as their conveyance (Vahan). Lord Ganesha or Gajanan (Lord having human body and Elephant head) is one of the best-known and most worshipped deities throughout India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Bali (Indonesia), Bangladesh, and Nepal. India Post has honoured Elephant by issuing its Commemorative Stamps having its sculpture, paintings, drawings or symbolic stylized designs. Some of them are presented here.

Ajanta Panel  15-08-1949	Konark Elephant  01-07-1966	Centenary of Geological Survey of India  13-01-1951	Indian Elephant  07-10-1963	Kachchh Museum  27-07-1978	Nature India  25-01-2017
Indian Miniature Paintings  05-05-1973					
INDIPEX-73  14-11-1973					
50 Years of Corbett National Park  15-12-1986					
Children's Day  14-11-2000					
Sandalwood  13-12-2006					
Sonepur Fair  27-02-2007					
Periyar National Park  03-05-2007					
Zoological Survey of India  03-12-2015					
2nd Africa-India Forum Summit  25-05-2011		2nd Africa-India Forum Summit  25-05-2011		Shekhawati Painting  20-06-2012	
Women Empowerment  02-09-2015					

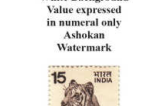
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Lion is the most widely recognized animal symbols in human culture and has been extensively depicted in sculptures and paintings, on national flags, and in contemporary films and literature. India's National Emblem is featuring four lions standing back to back, symbolizing Power, Courage, Confidence and Pride. All these four qualities are of Lion, the King of Forests. India Post has honoured various Lion by issuing several Commemorative & Definitive Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Indian Lion  07-10-1963	Lion  01-10-1976	Lion & Palm Tree  12-10-1977	Indian Lion  29-10-2015	African Lion  29-10-2015
Asiatic Lion - 1  04-10-1999		Asiatic Lion - 2  04-10-1999		Asiatic Lion - 3  04-10-1999
Asiatic Lion - 4  04-10-1999				
The Lion and the Rabbit in Panchatantra Story  17-10-2001		Indian Lion  07-10-2008		
Zoological Survey of India  03-12-2015				
Lion Face as Cachet in Bazar Post Card of Edwardian Period with Cancellation of Kotkapura Dated 21-1-1904 				

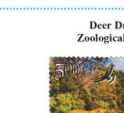
TIGER Save the Tiger...**TIGER Save the Tiger...**

'Save, The Tiger' is a Global Worldwide Campaign to protect the Tiger. The tiger is a unique animal which plays a pivotal role in the health and diversity of an ecosystem. India Post has honoured Tiger by issuing Definitive and Commemorative Stamps showing their beautiful and magnificent existence in the design of the stamps. A few stamps are presented here...

Tiger Indian Wild Life  Panthera Tigris 07-10-1963	Tiger Face within the Globe  International Union - Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources 24-11-1969	Tiger with Black Background Value expressed with 'p' Ashokan Watermark  15p 01-10-1974	Tiger with White Background Value expressed in numeral only Ashokan Watermark  15 15-07-1975
Tiger in the Corbett Park  Jim Corbett Centenary 24-01-1976	Roaring Tiger  Project Tiger 22-11-1983	Rare White Tiger  White Tiger - Rewa 29-11-1987	Tiger - sitting and relaxing in the Park  Sundarbans Biosphere Reserve 30-04-2000
Tiger with other Wild Life in National Park  Bandhavgarh National Park 03-05-2007	Tiger drawn by Children  Children's Day 14-11-2009	Tiger drawn by Children  Children's Day 14-11-2011	Tiger drawn by Children  Children's Day 14-11-2011
Tiger with other Wild Life  Zoological Survey of India 03-12-2015	Pair of Tiger  Tadoba-Andhari National Park 29-07-2016	Tiger & Cub  Tadoba-Andhari National Park 29-07-2016	Tiger  Nature : India 25-01-2017

DEER...**DEER...**

Deer are widely distributed, with indigenous representatives in all continents. They live almost exclusively in mountains, grasslands, swamps, and "wet" savannas, or riparian corridors surrounded by deserts. Deer appear in art from Palaeolithic Cave Paintings onwards, and they have played a role in mythology, religion, and literature throughout history, as well as in heraldry. The highest concentration of large deer species in the tropics occurs in Southern Asia in India's Indo-Gangetic Plain Region and Nepal's Terai Region. India Post has honoured various Species of Deer by issuing several Commemorative & Definitive Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Chital  15-03-1967	Chital  20-08-1974	Blackbuck  20-07-2000	Swamp Deer  01-10-1976
Deer in Ancient Sculpture Festival of India  23-03-1982	Kashmir Stag  01-10-1982	Deer in Kanha National Park - Celebrating 50 Years  30-05-1983	Sangai Deer  31-3-2000
Deer Grazing in Bandhavgarh National Park  03-05-2007	Deer Drinking Water Children's Day  14-11-2009	Blackbuck  29-10-2015	Thomson's Gazelle  29-10-2015
Deer Drinking Water Zoological Survey of India  03-12-2015	Reindeer in sleigh of Santa Claus Season's Greetings-Christmas  23-12-2016	Deer in Nature India  25-01-2017	

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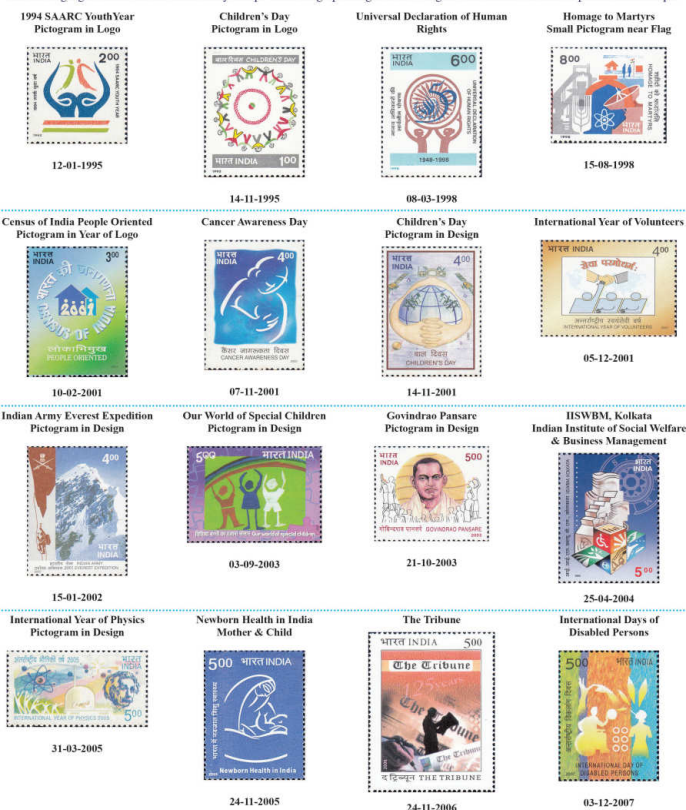
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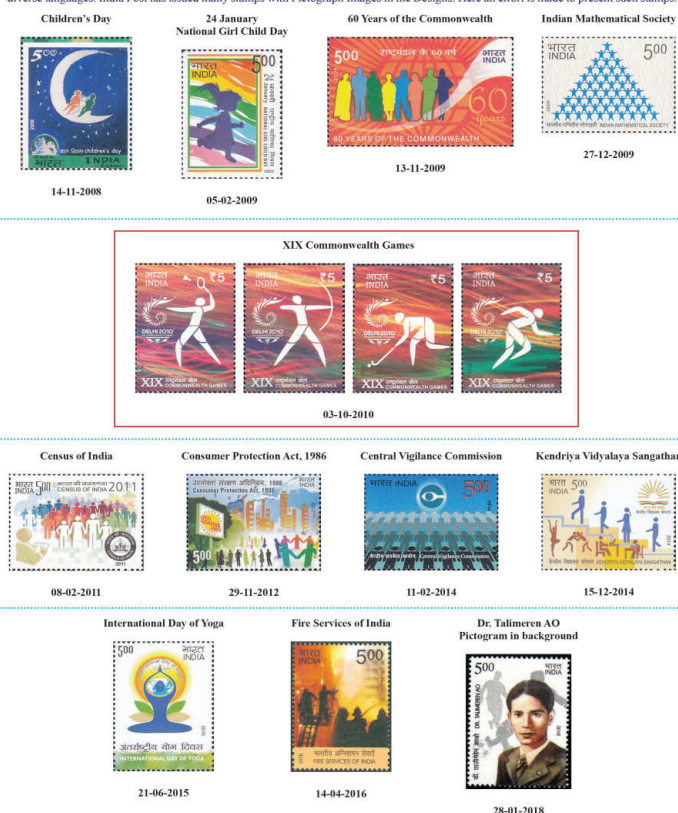
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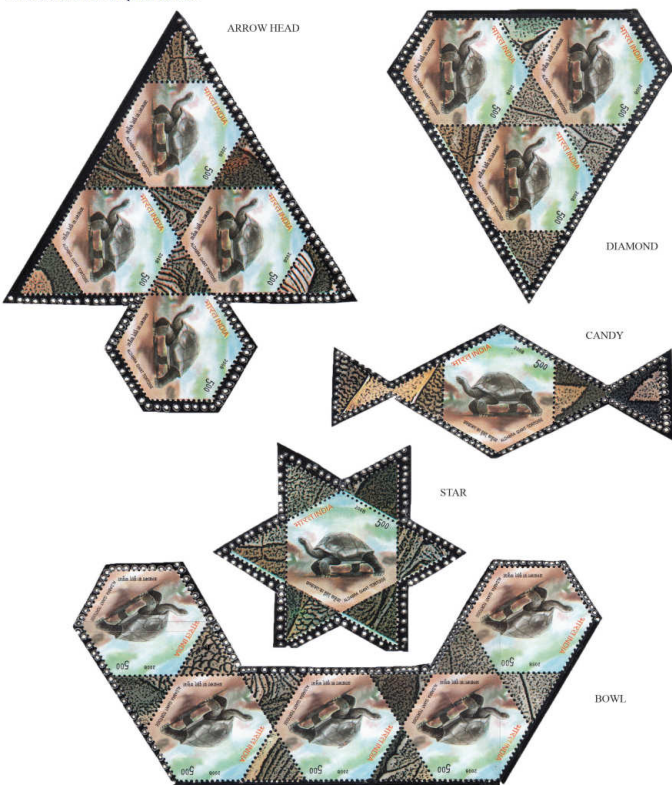
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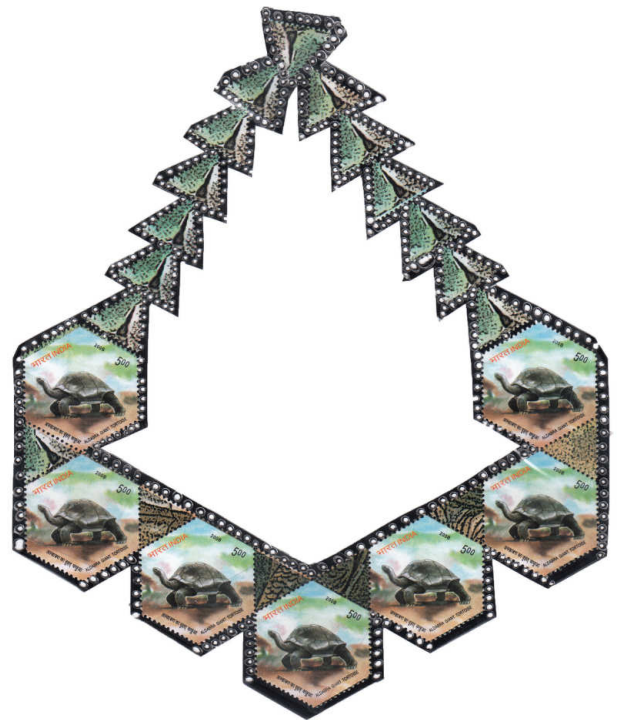


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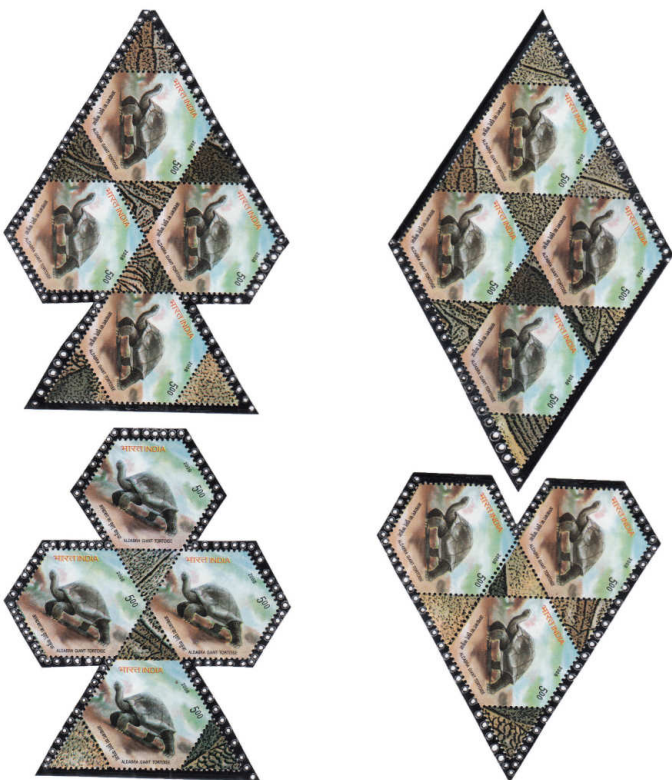


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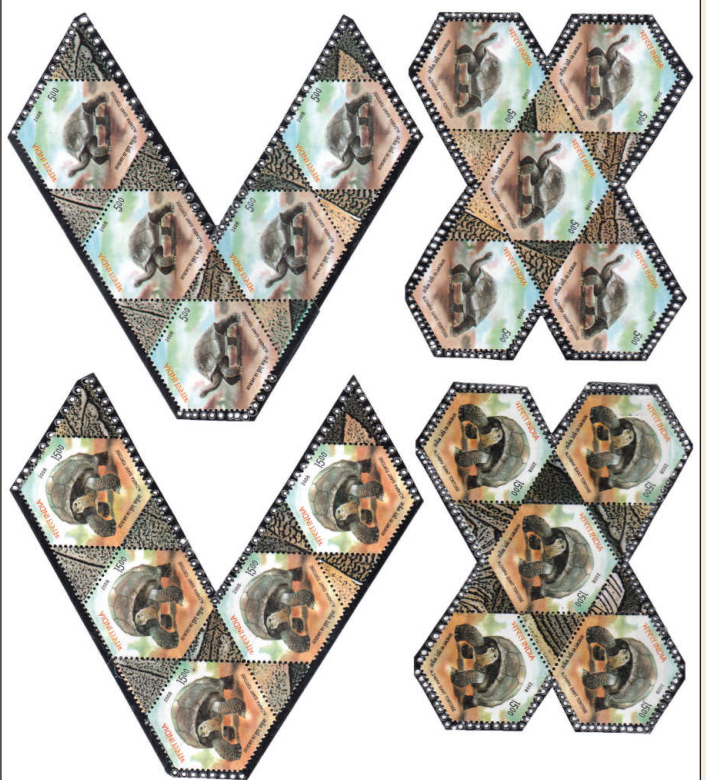


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7-4-1962 The World United against Malaria 7-4-1962	14-11-62 Children's Day 14-11-1962	
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20-07-1969 Man on the Moon 19-11-1969	31-10-1971 World Thrift Day 31-10-1971	
26-8-75 Namibia Day 26-08-1975	1-1-2000 First Sunrise of Millennium 01-01-2000	12-10-2008 Saint Alphonsa 16-11-2008
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Abbreviations have a long history. They are created so that spelling out a whole word/phrase could be avoided. This might be done to save time and space, and also to provide secrecy. They are shortened form of words or phrase. They are 'group of letters' which are taken from the initial letter or letters of words. India Post has issued some stamps which show abbreviations of certain event, institution or organization. A few stamps are presented here...

'ITU' International Telecommunication Union 17-05-1965 	'ILO' International Labour Organisation 11-04-1969 	'UN' United Nations 26-06-1970 	'INTERPOL' International (Criminal) Police (Organisation) 09-10-1973 	'NCC' National Cadet Corps 25-11-1973
'YWCA' Young Women's Christian Association 20-06-1975 	'UPSC' Union Public Service Commission 08-11-1977 	'UNIDO' United Nations Industrial Development Organisation 21-01-1980 	'WBF' World Book Fair 29-02-1980 	'FAO' Food & Agriculture Organization 16-10-1981
'AT&F' Asian Track and Field Meet 19-11-1989 	'YMCA' Young Men's Christian Association 21-02-1992 	'ILO' International Labour Organisation 01-05-1994 	'IPTA' Indian People's Theatre Association 25-05-1994 	'FAO' Food & Agriculture Organization 16-10-1995
'VSNL' Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited 02-08-1996 	'PTI' Press Trust of India 03-05-1999 	'INAS' Indian Naval Air Squadron 09-07-2010 	'UTI' Unit Trust of India 12-11-2014 	'BSE' Bombay Stock Exchange 09-07-2016

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Numbers in the design of Indian Postal Stamps & Cancellations.....

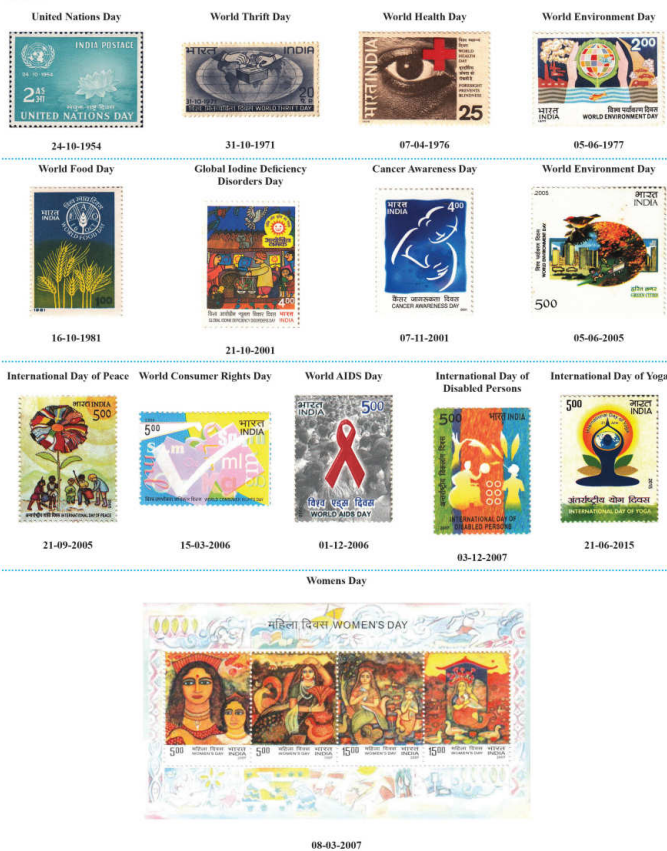
Numerical Figures, indicating anniversary, centenary or specific achievements, have caught the imagination of stamp designers of Indian Postal Stamps and cancellations; consequently we find some stamps and cancellations wherein numerical figures are woven in the fabric of the design. Some of them are presented here....

"100000" Opening of 100000th Post Office at Brahmapur Chaurasta, Bihar 01-07-1968 	"100" Census Centenary 10-03-1971 	"1972" XX Olympic Games, Munich 10-08-1972 	"7" 7th Non-aligned Summit Conference, New Delhi 07-03-1983
"40" 40th Anniversary of Independence 15-08-1987 	"200" 200 Years of Bombay GPO 28-12-1994 	"1000000" Project of Building of 10,00,000 Houses by Delhi Development Authority 23-05-1995 	
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INTERNATIONAL YEAR.....

INTERNATIONAL YEAR.....*Creating Awareness on aspects of global importance*

The United Nations designates a number of Days or Years to mark important aspects of human life and history which need attention. Since 1959, United Nations has designated International Years to grab the attention of the world to main problems of global importance. Like many other countries, India Post has issued some Commemorative Stamps celebrating such International Years. Some are presented here.....



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India has rich heritage and history. India was ruled for many centuries by foreign rulers. The Indian independence movement was a series of activities whose ultimate aim was to end the British Raj and encompassed activities and ideas aiming to end the East India Company rule (1757-1857) and the British Raj (1857-1947) in the Indian subcontinent. Many landmarks Events & Movements have taken place in India during and after the struggle of Independence. They are remembered at an appropriate time subsequently by India Post with issue of Stamps commemorating them... Some Stamps are presented...



KRISHNA.... An Incarnation of Lord Vishnu....

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"कृष्णं वन्दे जगद्गुरुम्" - My Salutations to Krishna, the Teacher of the Universe....

Krishna is a major deity in Hinduism. He is the god of compassion, tenderness, and love in Hinduism, and is one of the most popular and widely revered among Indian divinities. He has narrated, "Bhagwad Geeta", the Holy Book of Hindu religion to Arjun on the battlefield where he was his Charioteer. His Divine Plays like Kaliya-Mardana, Raas-Leela with Gopies etc are known to all since centuries. He had great love for Cows as he lived in his early days as cowherd boy.

India Post has issued some Postal Stamps depicting some facets of Lord Krishna's life. They are presented here.....



Krishna imparting Geeta Sermons to Arjun in the battlefield of Kurukshetra



25-8-1978

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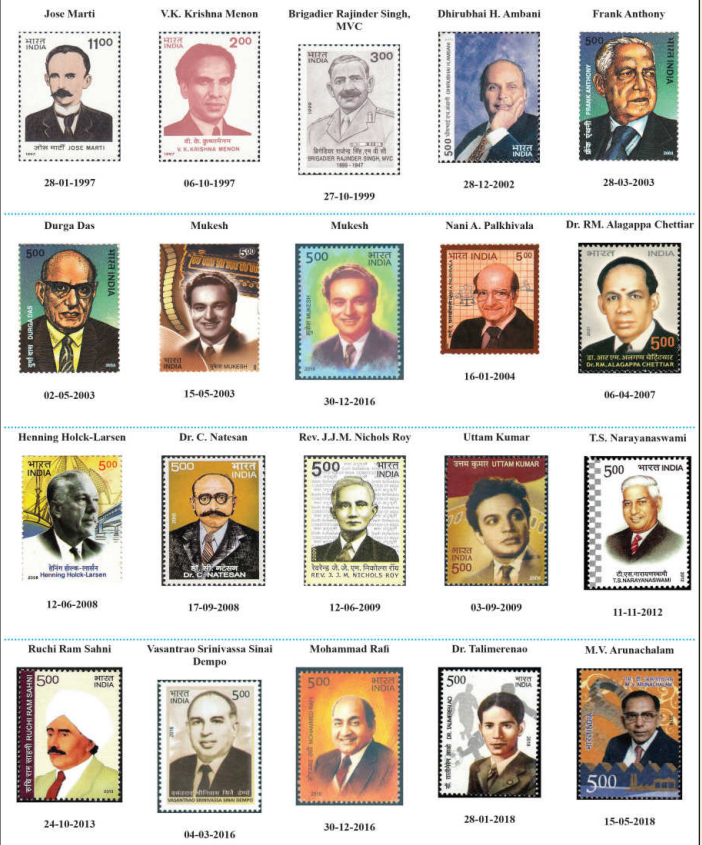
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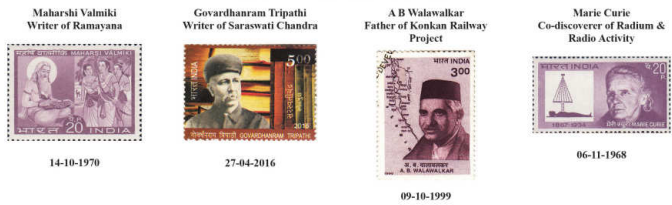


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INDIA is a country which has produced many stalwart personalities in various fields like science, technology, education, social service, industry, films, journalism, literature and many more spheres of human development. India Post has honoured such Personalities by issuing Commemorative Stamps showing their pictures either with their Landmark Achievements or associated places/monuments/events/institutions/organisations etc. in the design of the stamps. A few of them are presented here...

Personalities & Associated Achievements



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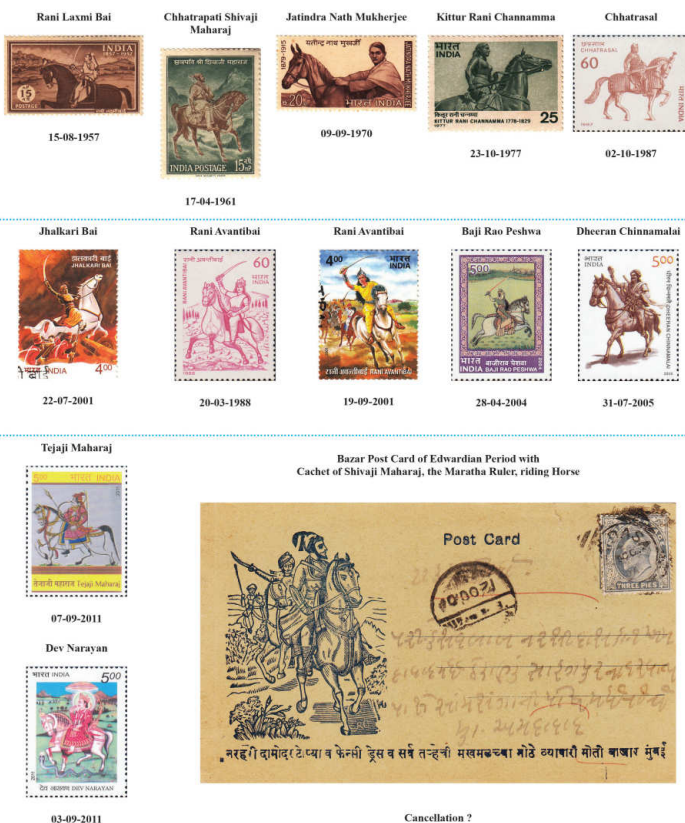
Musical Instruments are instruments which are created or adapted to make musical sounds. They are used by Saints while singing prayers and bhajans. They are also used by music-masters of classical music and modern singers. India Post has issued some Commemorative Stamps which show saints, singers, actors and music-masters with their musical instruments. A few stamps are presented here...



PERSONALITIES RIDING HORSE.....

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Horse riding is popular in India and many other countries. Indian Princely State Rulers & Warriors were riding horse during war or otherwise. We see many Personalities, Kings, Queens and Soldiers riding horse during sports or ceremonies. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps of Personalities, Princely Rulers and Soldiers riding horse. Some such Stamps issued are presented here.....



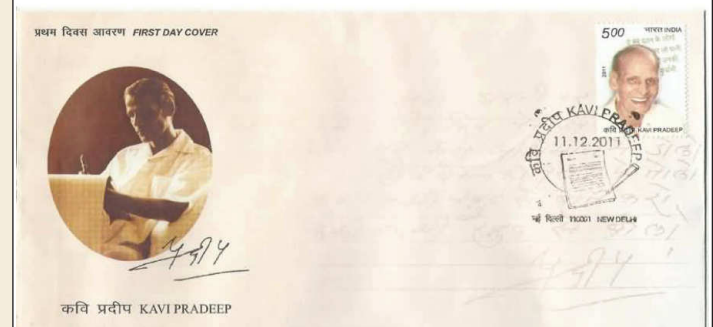
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A pen is a writing instrument used to apply ink to a surface, usually paper, for writing or drawing. Historically, reed pens, quill pens and dip pens were used, with a nib dipped in ink. Modern types include ballpoint, rollerball, fountain and felt or ceramic tip pens. India Post has issued Stamps of some personalities in a writing posture holding Pen in their hands. Some of them are presented here.



First Day Cover of Kavi Pradeep's Stamp having Cachet of Kavi Pradeep writing with Pen - Cancellation showing Pen & Paper dated 11-12-2011 of New Delhi



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'जो बोले सो निहाल... सत् भी अकाल' - one will be blessed eternally who says that God is the ultimate truth

A Sikh is a person associated with Sikhism, a monotheistic religion that originated in the 15th century, in the Punjab Region of the Indian Subcontinent, the historic homeland of the Sikhs and based on the revelation of Guru Nanak. Male Sikhs generally have "Singh" (Lion) as their middle or last name (not all Singhs are Sikhs), and female Sikhs have "Kaur" (Princess) as their middle or last name. Sikhs are easily recognized by their distinctive turban (Dastar). Many great Personalities of Sikhs have contributed in war & Peace time for the development of Indian Army, Culture and Religion. India Post has honoured such great Sikh Personalities by issuing their Commemorative Stamps. Some of them are presented here.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Soldier & Statesman  28-06-1966	Bhagat Singh Revolutionary  19-10-1968	Bhai Vir Singh Social Reformer  16-10-1972	Giani Zail Singh 7th President of India  25-12-1975
Baba Jassa Singh Ahluwalia Sikh Leader  04-04-1985	Master Tara Singh Social Reformer  23-12-1985	Sant Harchang Singh Longowal Sikh Leader  20-06-1987	Baba Kharak Singh Patriot  06-10-1988
Rajkumari Amrit Kaur Social Worker  13-04-1989	Vijay Singh Pathik Journalist  29-04-1992	Udham Singh Martyr  31-07-1992	Nanak Singh Poet  10-01-1998
Fauja Singh Martyr  25-05-1998	Bhai Kanhaiyaji Humanitarian  18-09-1998	Sardar Ajit Singh Freedom Fighter  15-08-1999	General Zorawar Singh General of Kishtwar  31-12-2000

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Pratap Singh Kairon Architect of Modern Punjab  01-10-2005	Maharaja Gulab Singh Maharaja of Jammu & Kashmir  21-10-2009	Bhai Jeevan Singh Religious Sikh General  23-12-2010	Bhai Jagta Ji Saint  15-01-2012
Hari Singh Nalwa C-in-C of Sikh Khalsa Army  30-04-2013	Beant Singh Politician  17-12-2013	Jagjit Singh Gazal Singer  08-02-2014	

PARSIS ON POSTAL STAMPS OF INDIA...

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Parsi.....Thy Name is Charity.....

The Parsis have made considerable contributions to the history and development of India, all the more remarkable considering their small numbers. The Parsi community has given India distinguished personalities in various fields. Many of the stamps of these great Parsi Personalities are presented here.

Jamsetji Jejeebhoy  Industrialist 15-04-1959	J R D Tata  Industrialist 29-11-1994	Jamsetji Tata  Industrialist 07-01-1965
Madam Bhikaji Cama  Freedom Fighter 26-01-1962	Dadabhai Naoroji  Industrialist 04-09-1963	Homi Bhabha  Scientist 04-08-1966
Ardesheer Cursetji Wadia  Ship Builder 27-05-1969		
Dr D N Wadia  Pioneering Geologist 23-10-1984	Sir Pherozshah Mehta  Political Leader 04-08-1996	Jal Cooper  Philatelist 15-12-1997
Ardesheer & Pirojshah Godrej  Businessmen 11-07-1998		
A D Shroff  Industrialist 09-10-1999	Nani Palkhiwala  Eminent Jurist 16-01-2004	Field Marshal Manekshaw  Army Chief 16-12-2008
Sohrab Modi  Actor 03-05-2013		

JAIN PERSONALITIES...

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"अहिंसा एवमो धर्म" - Non-Violence is the highest Virtue or religion...

Jainism is an ancient religion that was founded in India. Jainism has two major ancient sub-traditions, Digambara and Svetambara. India, the country where Jainism was founded, continues to have the largest population of Jains in the world. Many stalwart personalities from Jain community have come out with shining colors in different fields. India Post has issued some Commemorative Stamps on Jain Personalities of various fields. Many of the stamps of these great Jain Personalities are presented here.

Vikram Sarabhai Scientist  30-12-1972	Dr Karnveer Bhaurao Patil Social Reformer  09-05-1988	Dr Jagdish Chandra Jain Jain Scholar  28-01-1998	Raja Bhamashah Supporter of Maharana Pratap  31-12-2000
Samrat Chandragupta Ruler  21-07-2001	V Shantaram Film Producer  17-11-2001	Dr Indra Chandra Shastri Author  27-05-2004	Walchand Hirachand Industrialist  23-11-2004
Jawaharlal Darda Freedom Fighter  02-12-2005	Lala Deen Dayal Photographer  11-11-2006	Dr Laxmi Mall Singhvi Lawyer  08-12-2008	Harakh Chand Nahta Prominent businessman  28-02-2009
Virchand Raghavji Gandhi Jain Scholar  08-11-2009	D S Kothari Scientist  06-07-2011	Karpoo Chandra 'Kulish' Founder of News Paper 'Rajasthan Patrika'  16-05-2012	

FILM MUSICIANS...

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Pankaj Kumar Mutlick
Music Directors of films
Zindgi (1940), Meri Bahen
(1944), Yatrik (1952) etc.



04-08-2006

S.d. Burman
Music Directors of films
Pyasa 1957, Bandini 1963,
Guide 1965, Sharmilee 1971 etc.



01-10-2007

Naushad
Music Directors of films
Bajju Bawra 1952, Mother India
1957, Mughal-E-Azam 1960 etc.



03-05-2013

Madan Mohan
Music Directors of films
Anpadh 1962, Woh Kaun Thi?
1964, Mera Saaya 1966 etc.



03-05-2013

O.P. Nayyar
Music Directors of films
Aar Paar 1954, CID 1956, Tumsa
Nahi Dekha 1957, Howrah
Bridge 1958, Kashmir Ki Kali
1964, etc.



03-05-2013

R.D. Burman
Music Directors of films
Teesri Manzil 1966, Padosan
1968, Kati Patang 1970, Hare
Rama Hare Krishna 1971,
Decwar 1975, Golmaal 1979 etc.



03-05-2013

Salil Chowdhury
Music Directors of films
Do Bigha Jamin 1953, Jagte
Raho 1956, Madhumati 1958,
Anand 1971, Rajnigandha
1974 etc.



03-05-2013

Shankar Jaikishan
Music Directors of films
Chori Chori 1957, Suraj 1967,
Mera Naam Joker 1972, Dil Ek
Mandir 1964, Sangam 1965 etc.



03-05-2013

Ravi Shankar
Music Directors of films
Godan (1963), Meera (1979),
Kabuliwala-Bengali (1957),
Gandhi-English (1982) etc.



03-09-2014

Hemant Kumar
Music Directors of films
Anand Math (1952), Nagin (1954), Jagriti (1955), Bees Saal Baad
(1960), Sahib, Bibi Aur Ghulam (1962), Kohraa (1964) etc.



15-05-2003

30-12-2016

CARNATIC MUSICIANS...

CARNATIC MUSICIANS... Music of classical tradition of Southern India

Carnatic classical music is a system of music commonly associated with Southern India, including the modern Indian states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu. It is one of two main subgenres of Indian Classical Music that evolved from ancient Hindu traditions. Carnatic music is also usually taught and learned through compositions. It is mainly sung through compositions, especially the Kritis (or kirtanam) – a form developed between the 14th and 20th centuries by composers such as Purandaras and the Trinity of Carnatic Music viz. Tyagaraj, Muthuswamy Dikshitar and Syama Sastri. India Post has issued various stamps on Carnatic Musicians. Here an effort is made to present such stamps.

Tyagaraja
Carnatic Composer



06-01-1961

Purandaradasa
Carnatic Poet & Musician



14-01-1964

Muthuswami Dikshitar
Carnatic Composer &
Religious Teacher



18-03-1976

Shyama Shastri
Carnatic Composer



21-12-1985

Swati Tirunal Rama
Varma
Carnatic Composer



02-05-1988

Ariyakudi Ramanuja Iyengar
Carnatic Composer



18-05-1991

Dwararam Venkataswamy Naidu
Violinist



08-11-1993

Chembai Vaidyanatha Bhagavathar
Carnatic Musician



28-08-1996

Musiri Subramania Iyer
Carnatic Classical Singer



19-10-1999

Annamacarya
Mystic Poet & Singer



18-03-2004

V. Lakshminarayana
Carnatic Musician



14-04-2004

M.S. Subbulakshmi
Carnatic Classical Singer



18-12-2005

Venkataramana
Bhagavathar
Carnatic Composer



10-02-2016

Venkataramana
Bhagavathar
Carnatic Composer



27-12-2009

Veenai Dhanammal
Carnatic Musician



03-12-2010

T.N. Rajarathinam Pillai
Carnatic Musician



03-12-2010

Thanjavur Balasaraswathi
Carnatic Musician



03-12-2010

D.K. Pattammal
Carnatic Musician



03-09-2014

M.L. Vasanthakumari
Carnatic Musician



03-07-2018

HINDUSTANI MUSICIANS...

HINDUSTANI MUSICIANS... Music of classical tradition of Northern India

Hindustani classical music is the traditional music of northern regions of the Indian subcontinent. It originated in North India around 13th and 14th centuries. It is one of two main subgenres of Indian Classical Music that evolved from ancient Hindu traditions. Hindustani music is based on the raga system. Besides Vocal music, which is considered to be of primary importance, its main instruments are the Sitar and Sarod. Khayal & Dhrupad are its two main forms. There is a rich tradition of GHARANAS in Hindustani Classical Music. India Post has issued various stamps on Hindustani Musicians. Here an effort is made to present such stamps.

Vishnu Narayan
Bhatkhande
Musician



01-09-1961

V.D. Paluskar
Musician



21-07-1973

Swami Haridas
Saint-Poet, Musician



19-09-1985

Tansen
Dhrupad Singer &
Composer



12-12-1986

Begum Akhtar
Classical Singer



02-12-1994

Pandit Omkarnath Thakur
Hindustani Classical Singer



24-06-1997

Ustad Allaouddin Khan Saheb
Sarod Maestro



19-10-1999

Ustad Hafiz Ali Khan
Exponent of Sarod



28-12-2000

Bade Ghulam Ali Khan
Hindustani Classical Singer



30-06-2003

Ustad Bismillah Khan
Shehnai Maestro



21-08-2008

Gangubai Hangal
Hindustani Classical Singer



03-09-2014

Kumar Gandharva
Hindustani Classical Singer



03-09-2014

Vilayat Khan
Hindustani Classical Singer



03-09-2014

Malikarjun Mansur
Hindustani Classical Singer



03-09-2014

Ali Akbar Khan
Sarod Maestro



03-09-2014

Ravi Shankar
Sitar Maestro



03-09-2014

Bhimsen Joshi
Hindustani Classical Singer



03-09-2014

Ustad Sabri Khan
Sarangi Maestro



13-12-2018

WESTERN MUSICIANS...

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Western music is classical and art music produced or rooted in the traditions of Western Culture, including both liturgical (religious) and secular music. To be more precise, it refers to the period from 1750 to 1820, the Classical period. India Post has issued Stamps on some Western Musicians of Classical Period. An effort is made here to present such stamps.

Beethoven
Composer, Germany



16-12-1970

Schubert
Composer, Austria



25-12-1978

Mozart
Composer, Austria



05-12-1991

Fryderyk Chopin
Composer, Poland



03-05-2001

George Frideric Handel & Johann Sebastian Bach
Composers, Germany



27-12-1985

FDC of Ludwig Van Beethoven with Official & Special Place Cancellation of National Centre for the Performing Arts, Bombay



16-12-1970

FILM PERSONALITIES WITH THEIR FAMOUS FILMS Page 1

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Hindi Cinema

Raj Kapoor Actor/Director Mera Naam Joker (1970) & Awara (1951)  14-12-2001	V Shantaram Actor/Director Do Ankhen Barah Haath (1957)  17-11-2001	Guru Dutt Actor/Director Kagaz Ke Phool (1959)  10-10-2004	Dev Anand Actor/Director Guide (1965)  03-05-2013
Sohrab Modi Actor/Director Sikandar (1941)  03-05-2013	Yash Chopra Producer/Director Dil Wale Duhania Le Jayenge (1995)  03-05-2013	Mehboob Khan Director Mother India (1957)  30-03-2007	Raj Khosla Director Bombai Ka Babu (1960)  03-05-2013
B R Chopra Producer Dhool Ka Phool (1959)  03-05-2013	Meena Kumari Actress Pakeezah (1972)  13-02-2011	Leela Naidu Actress Anuradha (Old) (1960)  13-02-2011	Smita Patil Actress Bhumika (1977) & Mirch Masala (1987)  03-05-2013
Suraiya Actress Anmol Ghadi (1946)  03-05-2013	Balraj Sahani Actor Do Bigha Jamin (1953) & Ek Phool Do Mali (1969)  03-05-2013	Mehmood Actor Padoshan (1968) & Gunnaam (1965)  03-05-2013	Sanjiv Kumar Actor Sholey (1975) & Shriman-Shrimati (1982)  03-05-2013

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Motilal Actor Mr Sampat (1952)  03-05-2013	Ashok Kumar Actor Ashirwad (1968) & Achhut Kanya (1936)  03-05-2013	Rajendra Kumar Actor Arzoo (1965)  03-05-2013	
O P Nayyar Music Director Kismet (1968)  03-05-2013	Naushad Music Director Bajju Bawra (1952)  03-05-2013	Salil Chaudhary Music Director Chhaya (1961)  03-05-2013	S D Burman Music Director Bandini (1963)  01-10-2007
Majrooh Sultanpuri Lyricist Dosti (1964)  03-05-2013	Bhupen Hazarika Assamese Singer/Director Mera Dharam Meri Maa (1976)  03-05-2013		

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Telugu & Tamil Cinema

S V Ranga Rao Actor Maya Bazaar (1957) (Telugu)  03-05-2013	Bhanumati Actress Chandirani (1953) (Tamil)  03-05-2013	
Kannada Cinema Vishnu Vardhan Actor Nagarahavu (1972)  03-05-2013	Marathi Cinema Bhalji Pendharkar Director Chhatrapati Shivaji (1952)  03-05-2013	
Bengali Cinema Kanan Devi Actress Lagan (1941)  13-02-2011	Devika Rani Actress Achhut Kanya (1936)  13-02-2011	Ritvik Chatak Director Meghe Dhaka Tara (1960)  31-12-2007
Satyajit Ray Director Pathar Panchali (1955)  11-01-1994		

MADHUBALA.... 'Marilyn Monroe of Bollywood'

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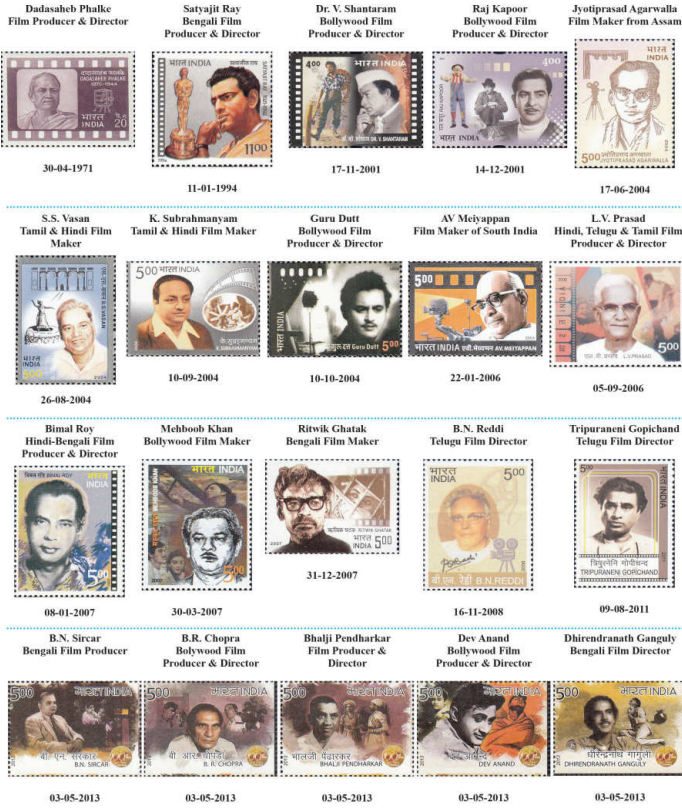
Madhubala (born Mumtaz Jehan Begum Dehlavi; 14 February 1933 – 23 February 1969), was an Indian film actress known for her beauty. She was popularly known as "The Beauty with Tragedy" and "The Venus of Indian Cinema". She was active between 1942 and 1964. Here an effort is made to compile some Indian Postal Stamps of film personalities with whom she was associated or has worked.

Madhubala MS 18-3-2008 	Madhubala's Co-stars Raj Kapoor in Neel Kamal (1947), Dev Anand in Kala Paani (1958), Prithvi Raj Kapoor & Durga Khote in Mughal-e-Azam (1960), Ashok Kumar in Howrah Bridge (1958) & Shammi Kapoor in Half Ticket (1962) 
Madhubala's Film Directors & Music Directors Film Directors: Kamal Amrohi (Mahal 1949), Mehboob Khan (Amar 1954), Sohrab Modi (Raj Hath 1956), Guru Dutt (Mr & Mrs S 1955), S S Vasan (Bahar Dun Hume 1954) Music Directors: O.P. Nayyar (Howrah Bridge 1958), S.D. Burman (Chalti Ka Naam Gaadi 1958), Naushad (Mughal-e-Azam 1960) 	Madhubala's first Playback Singer was Geeta Dutt (Sang in Neel Kamal 1947)  'Madhubala' name rechristened by Devika Rani 
Madhubala's Husband & Co-star Kishore Kumar 	

FILM MAKERS of INDIAN CINEMA... Page 1

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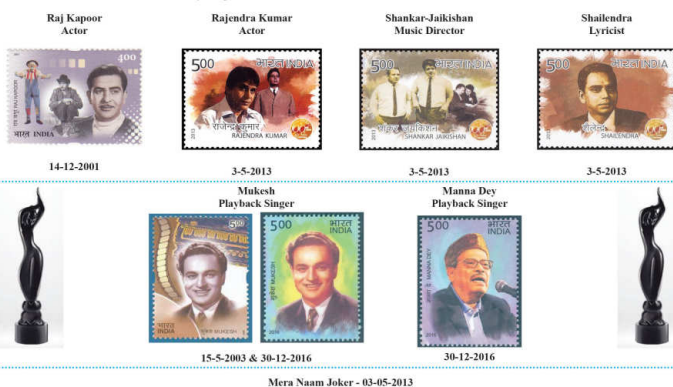
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100 Years of Indian Cinema
1913-2013



Rajendra Kumar
(20 July 1929 – 12 July 1999)
Film Actor
03-05-2013



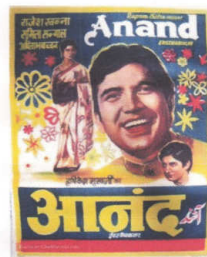
ANAND.... 'A masterpiece' Film

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Anand was a masterpiece film made by Hrishikesh Mukherjee. It presented character of 'Anand' who accepts pains and sufferings of life with a positive outlook. The picture was superhit and became a turning point in career of superstar Amitabh Bachchan. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film Celebrities in which we find many of the Personalities of this landmark film. They are presented here.....



100 Years of Indian Cinema
1913-2013



Hrishikesh Mukherjee
(30 September 1922 – 27 August 2006)
Film Director & Producer
03-05-2013



MUGHAL-E-AZAM....Indian Epic historical drama Film.....

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Mughal-E-Azam film is widely considered to be a milestone of its genre, earning praise from critics for its grandeur and attention to detail. Film scholars have welcomed its portrayal of enduring themes. It ranks on the lists of top Indian films. It was awarded National Film Award for Best Film in 1961. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film Celebrities in which we find many of the Personalities of this landmark film. They are presented here.....

Prithviraj Kapoor
Acting as Akbar
3-5-2013

Madhubala
Acting as Anarkali
18-3-2008

Durga Khote
Acting as Akbar's wife Jodhabai
3-5-2013

Mohammed Rafi
Playback Singer
15-5-2003 & 30-12-2016

Shakeel Badayuni
Lyricist
3-5-2013

Naushad
Music Director
3-5-2013

Kamaal Amrohi
Dialogue Writer
3-5-2013

Lachhu Maharaj
Choreographer
9-10-2001

100 Years of Indian Cinema 1913-2013

The Biggest Indian Film Ever

Prithviraj Kapoor
(3 November 1906 – 29 May 1972)
Film Actor & He was a pioneer of Indian theatre and of the Hindi film industry

MOTHER INDIA.... 'Magnum Opus' of Indian Cinema..... A "Cinematic Epic"

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Mother India became a definitive cultural classic and is regarded as one of the best films in Indian and world cinema. It was India's first submission for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1958, where it got the nomination. It received many FILMFARE Awards. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film Celebrities in which we find many of the Personalities of this landmark film. They are presented here.....

Nargis
Actress
30-12-1993

Rajendra Kumar
Actor
3-5-2013

Shakeel Badayuni
Lyricist
3-5-2013

Naushad
Music Director
3-5-2013

Shamshad Begum
Playback Singer
30-12-2016

Manna Dey
Playback Singer
30-12-2016

Mohammed Rafi
Playback Singer
15-5-2003 & 30-12-2016

Mehboob Khan
Director
30-3-2007

100 Years of Indian Cinema 1913-2013

MOTHER INDIA

Naushad
(26 December 1919 – 5 May 2006)
Indian musician

PAKEEZAH.... A Cult Classic Film

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PAKEEZA is a masterpiece Indian Hindi Film. It is India's first color film in Cinemascope. An Indian critic has said Pakeezah was "Poetry, fantasy and nostalgia rolled into one on an epic scale". Its music is cited as greatest classical album in Hindi cinema history. It received one FILMFARE Award of Best Art Direction in 1973. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film Celebrities in which we find many of the Personalities of this landmark film. They are presented here.....

Kamaal Amrohi
Dialogue Writer
3-5-2013

Meena Kumari
Actress
13-02-2011

Naushad
Music Director
3-5-2013

Mazrooh Sultanpuri
Lyricist
3-5-2013

Ashok Kumar
Actor
3-5-2013

Mohammed Rafi
Playback Singer
15-5-2003 & 30-12-2016

100 Years of Indian Cinema 1913-2013

KAMAL AMROHI'S PAKEEZAH

Kamal Amrohi
(17 January 1918 – 11 February 1993)
Film Director, Screenwriter, and Dialogue writer

AWARA.... Most Popular Masterpiece Film

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Film AWARA became an overnight sensation in South Asia, and found success abroad in the Soviet Union, East Asia, Africa and the Middle East. The film was also nominated for the Grand Prize at the Cannes Festival in 1953. It received many FILMFARE Awards. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film Celebrities in which we find many of the Personalities of this landmark film. They are presented here.....

Nargis
Actress
30-12-1993

Raj Kapoor
Actor
14-12-2001

Shankar-Jaikishan
Music Director
3-5-2013

Shailendra
Lyricist
3-5-2013

Mukesh
Playback Singer
15-5-2003 & 30-12-2016

Prithviraj Kapoor
Actor
3-5-2013

100 Years of Indian Cinema 1913-2013

AWARA

Shailendra
(30 August 1923 – 14 December 1966)
lyricist

SPIRITUAL & RELIGIOUS MASTERS... Page 1... Jain Acharyas & Munis...

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Indian Saints embody the highest ideals and are credited for demonstrating the reality of spiritual awareness. They help people to attain positive actions, devotion, spiritual practice and mental discipline by providing appropriate conditions and knowledge. They have set themselves as role models for the masses to follow. Mostly these Jain Acharyas & Munis are known to have renounced the world and are also recognized as Sadhus or Maharajs/Sadhvis or Mahasatis and Gurus. India Post has issued stamps on some of them. Here is an effort to present such Stamps....

Jain Muni Mishrimalji 24-08-1991	Acharya Tulsī 20-10-1998	Anand Rishiji Maharaj 09-08-2002	Aacharya Bhikhu 30-06-2004	Jainacharya Vallabh Suri 21-02-2009
Umrao Kunwarji 'Archana' 30-04-2011	Jaimalji Maharaj 25-09-2011	Acharya Gyanagar 10-09-2013	Acharya Vimal Sagar 14-12-2016	Shrimad Rajchandraji 29-06-2017

Tribute to Muni Sri Tarun Sagarji
Special Cover showing Tarun Sagarji in Cachet & Cancellation of Varanasi

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'भूल करना प्रकृति है, मान लेना संस्कृति है, निष्कामी दुष्कण्डम।'
26-9-2018

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Sant Namdeo 9-11-1970	Saint Arunagirinathar 14-8-1975	Sant Harchand Singh Longowal 20-08-1987	Saint Dnyaneshwar 31-12-1990
Saint Tukdoji Maharaj 10-12-1995	Saint Kavi Sundaradas 8-11-1997	Sant Gadge Baba 20-12-1998	Saint Ravidas 10-2-1971
Sant Ravidas 24-6-2001	Sant Tukaram 10-8-2002	Sant Eknath 23-3-2003	Saint Vallalar 17-8-2007
Sant Santaji Jagade Maharaj 9-2-2009	Sant Shadaram Sahib 25-10-2010	Sant Ganinath 23-9-2018	

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Swami Rama Tirtha 11-9-1966	Swami Shradhdhanand 30-3-1970	Swami Virjanand 14-9-1971	Swami Vivekananda-Chicago 11-9-1993
Brahmanand Swami 6-9-1997	Swami Keshawanand 15-8-1999	Swami Ramanand Teerth 15-8-1999	Swami Sahajanand Saraswati 26-6-2000
Swami Ramanand 4-2-2002	Swami Pramavananda 3-11-2002	Swami Swaroopmandji 20-12-2003	Swami Ranganathanada Maharaj 15-12-2008
Chattampi Swamikal 30-4-2014	Swami Chidananda 21-5-2016	Jagadguru Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamy 27-8-2016	Pramukh Swami Maharaj 7-12-2016
Shri Hanagal Kumaraswami 19-5-2017			

SPIRITUAL & RELIGIOUS MASTERS... Page 4... Hindu Rishis, Seers, etc.

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Sri Aurobindo 15-8-1964	Sri Basaveswara 11-5-1967	Narayan Guru 21-8-1967	Sadhu Vaswani 25-11-1969	Maharshi Valmiki 14-10-1970
Sri Raman Maharshi 14-4-1971	Ramkrishna Paramahansa 18-2-1973	Paramhansa Yoganand 7-3-1977	Maharabhu Vallabhacharya 14-4-1977	Chaitanya Mahaprabhu 13-3-1986
Guru Ghasidas 1-9-1987	Dadhichi (Rishi) 26-3-1988	Samarth Ramdas 1-5-1988	Prajapita Brahma - Dada Lekhraj 4-3-1994	Kakaji Maharaj (Saint of Swaminarayan Faith) 30-3-2003
Panini (Rishi) 30-8-2004	Patanjali (Rishi) 4-8-2009	Satya Sai Baba 23-11-2013	Ramanujacharya 1-5-2017	Kakaji & Papaji (Saints of Swaminarayan Faith) 28-12-2018

BENGAL.....Page 1 – Film Personalities... “আমার সোনার বাংলা”

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Bengal played a major role in the Indian Independence Movement, in which Revolutionary Groups were dominant. Bengali Culture has been particularly influential in the fields of literature, music, shipbuilding, art, architecture, sports, currency, commerce, politics and cuisine. Many stalwart Film Personalities have emerged from Bengal. India Post has issued stamps on such personalities. Here is an effort to present these Film Personalities of Bengal.

Satyajit Ray Film Director  11-1-1994	Kishore Kumar Playback Singer  15-5-2003	Hemant Kumar Playback Singer  15-5-2003	Pankaj Malik Music Director  4-8-2006	Bimal Roy Film Director  8-1-2007
S D Burman Music Director  1-10-2007	Ritwick Ghatak Film Director  31-12-2007	Uttam Kumar Film Actor  3-9-2009	Geeta Dutt Playback Singer  3-5-2013	Ashok Kumar Film Actor  3-5-2013
Nitin Bose Film Director  3-5-2013	Raichand Boral Film Music Composer  3-5-2013	Hrishikesh Mukherjee Film Director  3-5-2013	Dhirendranath Ganguli Film Producer  3-5-2013	Tapan Sinha Film Director  3-5-2013
B N Sircar Film Producer  3-5-2013	Salil Chaudhury Music Director  3-5-2013	R D Burman Music Director  3-5-2013	Utpal Dutt Film Actor  3-5-2013	Manna Dey Playback Singer  30-12-2016

BENGAL.....Page 2 – Freedom Fighters... “আমার সোনার বাংলা”

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Bipin Chandra Pal Freedom Fighter & Patriot  7-11-1958	Subhash Chandra Bose Freedom Fighter & Founder of Indian National Army  23-1-1964	Raja Rammohan Roy Freedom Fighter & Religious Reformer  27-9-1964	Chittaranjan Das Freedom Fighter & Patriot  5-11-1965
Rashbehari Basu Freedom Fighter & Patriot  26-12-1967	Bankim Chandra Chatterjee Freedom Fighter & Writer  1-1-1969	Jatindra Nath Mukherjee Freedom Fighter & Revolutionary  9-9-1970	Surjya Sen Freedom Fighter/ Revolutionary  22-3-1978
Jatindra Nath Das Freedom Fighter/ Revolutionary  13-9-1979	Bidhan Chandra Roy Politician Freedom Fighter & Politician  1-7-1982	Surenranath Banerjee Freedom Fighter & Patriot  28-12-1983	Nillie Sengupta & Jatindra Mohan Sengupta Freedom Fighter & Patriots  22-7-1985
Khudiram Bose Freedom Fighter & Martyr  11-8-1990	Syama Prasad Mookerjee Freedom Fighter & Politician  6-7-2001	Ajoy Kumar Mukerjee Freedom Fighter & Patriot  17-12-2002	Matangi Hazra Freedom Fighter & Patriot  17-12-2002

BENGAL.....Page 3 – Other Great Personalities “আমার সোনার বাংলা”

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Jagdish Chandra Bose Scientist  30-11-1958	Rabindranath Tagore Author & Poet  07-05-1961	Swami Vivekanand Spiritual Master  17-01-1963	Asutosh Mookerjee Educator  29-06-1964
Sri Aurobindo Spiritual Master  15-08-1964	Nandal Bose Painter  16-04-1967	Gaganendranath Tagore Painter  17-09-1968	Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar Philosopher & Social Reformer  26-09-1970
Michael Madhusudan Dutt Author & Poet  21-07-1973	Romesh Chander Dutt Author & Poet  27-09-1973	Sarat Chandra Chatterji Author & Poet  15-09-1976	Uday Shankar Artist & Dancer  26-09-1978
Shree Shree Ma Anandmayee Spiritual Master  01-05-1987	Satyendranath Bose Scientist  1-1-1994	Jaunpuri Award Winners (Bangla-1998) Authors & Poets  05-06-1998	Santidev Ghosh Author & Poet  01-12-2002
P C Sorcar Magician  23-02-2010			

SOUTH INDIA... Film Personalities of Tamil & Telugu Cinema...

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South Indian Film Industries refer collectively to the five different film industries of South India: Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, and Tulu film industries, as a single entity. They are based in Chennai, Kochi, Bangalore, Hyderabad, and Mangalore respectively. However Films in Tamil and Telugu are produced more. Many stalwart Film Personalities from Tamil & Telugu cinema have emerged from South India. India Post has issued stamps on some of them. Here is an effort to present these Film Personalities of South India...

Dr M G Ramachandran Actor  17-1-1990	Shaji Ganesan Actor  1-10-2001	S S Vasan Film Producer  26-8-2004	K Subramanyam Film Director  10-9-2004
Gemini Ganesan Actor  25-2-2006	Nagesh Actor  3-5-2013	C V Sridhar Film Director  3-5-2013	Kannadasan Lyricist  3-5-2013
Bellary Raghava Actor  31-10-1981	N T Rama Rao Actor  28-5-2000	L V Prasad Film Producer & Director  5-9-2006	B N Reddi Film Producer & Director  16-11-2008
Savithri Film Actress  13-2-2011	Allu Ramalingaiah Actor  3-5-2013	Bhanumathi Actress  3-5-2013	S V Ranga Rao Actor  3-5-2013
B Nagi Reddi Movie Producer  23-2-2018			

PANCHATANTRA..... Teaching 'The Wise Conduct of Life'

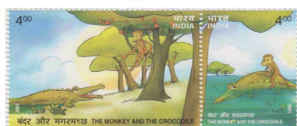
PANCHATANTRA.....Classic in the World of Children's Literature
Teaching 'The Wise Conduct of Life'

In the Indian tradition, The Panchatantra is a nītiśāstra. Nīti can be roughly translated as "the wise conduct of life" and a śāstra is a technical or scientific treatise; thus it is considered a treatise on political science and human conduct. It is an evergreen classic in the world of children's literature. It is an ancient Indian work of political philosophy, in the form of a collection of interrelated animal fables in Sanskrit verse and prose, arranged within a frame story. The Panchatantra is a series of inter-woven fables, many of which deploy metaphors of anthropomorphized animals with human virtues and vices. It is widely attributed to Vishnusharma, a versatile teacher. Pancha means five and tantra means doctrines of conduct or modes of action. According to legend, a king who had three foolish sons engaged Vishnusharma to reform them and enable them to grow up into worthy adults. The teacher achieved this by weaving a wondrous world of fables which bought out the five tantras which were innate in them viz. confidence, creation of prosperity, earnest endeavor, friendship and knowledge.

The requirements and qualities of children's literature are different from adult literature, in the same way as a child is different in his attitudes and responses from an adult. A fanciful story which entertains the child and stimulates his imagination is sure to find immediate favour with him. At the same time, good literature should also teach the child something - help him in some way to understand the norms of the society in which he lives. Panchatantra embodies all these qualities.

The Department of Posts is happy to issue a set of stamps depicting four of the stories from the Panchatantra.

17-10-2001

The Monkey & The Crocodile

The first stamp tells the story of the friendship between a monkey and a crocodile which turned sour when the crocodile fell prey to the evil influence of his greedy wife. The wife crocodile convinced the husband that she was ill and could be cured only by eating the heart of a monkey. Pretending to take him home for dinner, the crocodile got the monkey to travel on his back, but half way through the river he told him the truth. The monkey did not lose his presence of mind and replied that he had kept his heart safely in the tree on the river bank and he could happily give it to the crocodile if his wife needed it. The foolish crocodile turned back towards the river bank, where the monkey jumped off to safety.

The Lion & The Rabbit

The second story is that of a vain but stupid lion whose downfall was brought by a crafty little rabbit. The big lion was mindlessly killing the animals of the jungle till one day when the rabbit informed him of the presence of another lion in the jungle. He could not tolerate a contender within his sphere of influence, and wanted to eliminate him. The rabbit took him to a well, where the lion could see his own reflection. Mistaking the reflection to be the second lion, he jumped on to it, only to fall into the water and drown.

The Crows & The Snake

The third stamp illustrates how two crows who were helpless before a snake which preyed on their baby crows got rid of the menace by using their intelligence. The crows snatched a jewel necklace from the nearby village and dropped it next to the snake. The villagers had to kill the snake first to retrieve the necklace, thus making life easier for the crows.

The Tortoise & The Geese

The fourth stamp depicts the story of a foolish tortoise whose ambition to fly was fulfilled by two geese who were his friends. The geese held a stick between their beaks and the tortoise held on to it with his teeth. However, while in flight, he forgot how precarious his position was and started to speak something. He lost hold of the stick and fell down to his death.

INDIAN MINIATURE PAINTINGS..... Tribute to Rajasthan

INDIAN MINIATURE PAINTINGS.....*Tribute to India Post to rich tradition of Rajasthan School of Painting.....*

Indian Miniature Paintings are small format paintings. Each region of India has a distinct miniature style. In Rajasthan, the miniatures are largely inspired by their environment: the desert, chivalrous tradition, heroic men and beautiful women. India Post has issued following Set of 4 Stamps of Rajasthan Miniature Paintings.

05-05-1973

Radha-Kishangharh

This depicts the most perfect expression of Kishangharh ideal of a feminine loveliness. The painting is by a local artist, Nihal Chand, who imbued the late Moghal painting with serenity of rhythm and idyllic charm out of his famous Radha-Kishangharh painting.

It is of 1778 A.D. and its size is 48.8 x 36.3 cms.

It is among the collection of Maharajah of Kishangharh.

Dance Duet

It is an attractive movement of two Kathak female dancers, a popular subject in the late 17th and 18th centuries. It is a typical example of painting executed during Emperor Aurangzeb's period in last quarter of the 17th century.

The size of the painting is 18.8 x 11.7 cms.

It is among the collection of Lady Cowasji Jehangir of Bombay.

Lovers on a Camel

It illustrates a musical mode-Marū Ragini. The name Marū is borrowed from the famous folk tale Dhola and Marū, the prince and princess who were united at long last by the devotion of a faithful camel. This is one of the finest pieces of Rajasthani miniature done by the artist, Nasir-ud-din near about 1605 A.D.

The size of the painting is 20.5 x 18.8 cms.

It is now among the collection of Gopi Krishna Kanoria of Patna.

Chained Elephant

The painting has been composed in a fine diagonal, lively as well as decorative by the artist, Zainal Abidin, during Emperor Jehangir's period. The tree on the right with the singing birds is considered as being akin to the Persian painting of the 18th century. The elephant decorated with bell hanging and tusk rings tied with chains and loaded with a weight, is being tamed by a prince.

The original is among the collection of East Berlin Museum.

INDIAN MINIATURE PAINTINGS..... "Ritu-Rang" Paintings

INDIAN MINIATURE PAINTINGS.....*Tribute to India Post to rich tradition of Rajasthan School of Painting.....*

India has been an intricate tapestry of cultures embroidered with indigenous art forms and art forms that came from over mountains and across seas. The delicate art of Indian Miniature Painting, which began with the Mughals, was one such expression of Indo-Saracenic genius. In the exquisite visuals of the miniatures, we find blending of pulsating poetic expression with the colours of nature, weaving the romantic and the mystic in unrivalled harmony.

All aspects of life were touched upon, nothing being too minute for these sensitive portrayals. One such aspect was the depiction of seasons: Vasant, Greeshm, Varsha, Sharad, Hemant and Shishir. The six seasons of India were described in Kalidasa's 'Ritusamhara' where each season was celebrated in the language of romantic love. This tradition was continued by writers who extolled the beauties of each month and each season.

'Ritu Rang' is the tribute of India Post to this rich tradition of colour, poetry and art. Four Rajasthani miniature paintings, which are small format paintings, have been selected for this special set of postage stamps. Each painting highlights the essence of the season it depicts and is largely inspired by environment colours & art.

India Post has issued following Set of 4 Stamps of Rajasthani Miniature Paintings - "Ritu-Rang" on four seasons.

13-03-1996



'वसंत' Vasant (Spring)
Flowering Vasant

Vasant is reflected in a painting on Rag Basanti, a musical mode which embodies the spirit of spring.

Credit:
Vasant — (Kangra Style) National Museum, New Delhi.



'ग्रीष्म' Greeshm (Summer)
The heat haze of Greeshm

In the month of Jyeshtha, the warrior is deterred from pursuing his campaign in the sweltering heat of Greeshm (Summer).

Credit:
Greeshm — (Rajasthan Style), National Museum, New Delhi.



'वर्षा' Varsha (Monsoon)
Lightning snaking through the dark clouds of Varsha

Varsha, the life-giving season of the monsoons, expressed in Rag Megh Malhar in praise of rain, where even kings revel in costumes, music and dance.

Credit:
Varsha — (Rajasthan Style), National Museum, New Delhi.



'हेमन्त' Hemant (Winter)
The biting cold of Hemant

Hemant is the heart of Winter, only warmed off by the warmth of fire while snuggling into the folds of a quilt in the month of Pausa.

Credit:
Hemant — (Kangra Style) Kasturbhai Lalbahai Collection, Ahmedabad

MINIATURE SHEETS WITH FRAGRANCE.....

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All over the world, stamps with different types of texture, fragrance, shape, size, printing etc. have been issued by many countries. India too has issued some exclusive and elegant Miniature Sheets with relevant fragrance. Till now 4 such Miniature Sheets viz. Sandalwood, Roses, Jasmine and Coffee are issued. They all are presented here.

SANDALWOOD

13-12-2006

ROSES

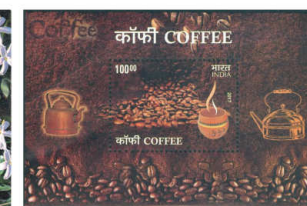
(1) Bhim (2) Delhi Princess (3) Jawahar (4) Neelam



7-1-2007

JASMINE

26-4-2008

COFFEE

23-4-2017

NEWS PAPERS....BRINGS YOU NEARER IN SPACE & TIME.....

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NEWS.....North.....East.....West & South.....& Past, Present & Future.....All Together.....

News Papers are the Print Media and carry great importance as the Fourth Pillar of Democracy. India is a vast country consisting of 29 States & 7 Union Territories. About 22 languages are approved by the Indian Constitution. There are many News Papers in these languages in different States. India Post honors some famous News Papers by issuing stamps on them celebrating their Anniversaries, Centenary etc.

The Times of India	Swatantra Bharat (Hindi)	Navjivan (Gujarati)	The Tribune
150th Anniversary Celebration 03-11-1988	50th Anniversary Celebration 15-08-1997	Indulal Yagnik was Editor 09-12-1999	150 Years' Celebration 24-11-2006
Pudhari (Marathi)	Dainik Jagran (Hindi)	Rajasthan Patrika (Hindi)	Malayala Manorama (Malayalam)
Ganpatrao Govindrao Jadhav was Founder-Editor 18-11-2009	Puran Chandra Gupta was Founder 02-01-2012	Karpoor Chandra 'Kulish' was Founder 16-05-2012	125 Years Celebration 16-03-2013

The Hindustan Times (English) 75th Anniversary Celebration

प्रथम दिवस आवरण FIRST DAY COVER

द हिन्दुस्तान टाइम्स
THE HINDUSTAN TIMES
(1924-99)

16-12-1999

MIKE.....a Device that empowers & enhances the Voice & Sound

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India Post presents some Stamps with MIKE in the Design indicating it as a device....a must....for Speech of leaders, Singing of singers or Sound of music maestros to magnify and convey their thoughts and feelings.

C. Rajagopalachari Taking Oath as Gov-General	Sanjay Gandhi Youth Leader giving Speech	Indira Gandhi Addressing U. N. General Assembly	Mohammed Rafi Singing a Song on Mike	
10-12-1978	23-06-1981	31-01-1985	15-05-2003	
Jawaharlal Nehru Addressing U. N. General Assembly	Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit	Manna Dey	Geeta Dutt	T.M. Soundararajan
24-10-1985	15-08-2000	30-12-2016	30-12-2016	30-12-2016

Postmark having picture of Mike in cancellation of Golden Voices of Yesteryears

प्रथम दिवस आवरण FIRST DAY COVER

अतीत के सुनहले स्वर
GOLDEN VOICES OF YESTERYEARS

15-05-2003

MOVIE CAMERAS.... An important Equipment to shoot the Film

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In early days of Film Production, Movie Cameras were hand-cranked and operated similarly to the hand-cranked machine guns of the time. That is, a cameraman would "shoot" film the way someone would "shoot" bullets from a machine gun. This Movie Camera has become a symbol of Film making. India Post has issued Postal Stamps on Film events or Film Celebrities in which we find pictures of Film Personalities with this type of Movie Cameras in the design. They are presented here.....

100 Years of Cinema	Jyotiprasad Agarwalla	AV Meiyappan	B.N. Reddi	
11-01-1995	17-04-2004	22-01-2006	16-11-2008	
Ashok Mehta	B.R. Chopra	Chetan Anand	Nitin Bose	Yash Chopra
03-05-2013	03-05-2013	03-05-2013	03-05-2013	03-05-2013

Dadasaheb Phalke
Cachet of the FDC shows cameramen shooting film with Movie Camera

प्रथम दिवस आवरण FIRST DAY COVER

Dr. Rajkumar

01-11-2009

30-04-1971

EMBOSSSED OR PUNCHED STAMPS.....

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A Postage Stamp is printed on special paper with the name of the issuing nation, a denomination of its value, and often an illustration of persons, events, institutions, or natural realities that symbolize the nation's traditions and values. Sometimes they are printed in a different way either to serve a specific purpose or to enhance the beauty of stamps to attract collectors. Embossed Stamps enhance the beauty of stamps, while punched stamps are punched in Braille especially for the blind or disabled persons. Some such stamps issued by India Post are presented here.

3rd India-Africa Forum Summit
Here Pairs of (1) Indian & African Rhinoceros (2) Indian & African Lion (3) Indian Black Buck and African Thomson's Gazelle are Embossed with metallic effect

29-10-2015

Parliament of India - Golden Jubilee
Stamp is embossed

13-05-2002

International Day of Disabled Persons
Stamp is punched

03-12-2007

Civil Service
Stamp is embossed

21-04-2008

Louis Braille Birth Bicentenary
Stamp is punched

04-01-2009

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XIX International Conference, New Delhi



18-10-1957

II International Conference Seminar of Tamil Studies



03-01-1968

United Nations Conference on Trade & Development



01-02-1968

57th Inter-Parliamentary Conference



30-10-1969

World Telugu Conference



12-04-1975

21st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference



28-10-1975

Sixth World Conference on Earthquake Engineering



10-01-1977

First Asia Regional Red Cross Conference, New Delhi



09-03-1977

XXIII IAEA Conference



04-12-1979

UNIDO 3rd General Conference



21-01-1980

2nd International Conference on Apiculture



29-02-1980

Asia Regional Conference of the Rotary International



14-10-1987

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Asia Regional Conference of the Rotary International Polio Immunisation Programme



14-10-1987

37th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference



27-09-1991

International Conference on Youth Tourism



18-11-1991

V International Conference on Goats



02-03-1992

89th Inter Parliamentary Union Conference



11-04-1993

Human Resource Development World Conference



08-11-1994

Eighth International Conference Seminar of Tamil Studies, Thanjavur



05-01-1995

Inter-Parliamentary Specialized Conference



15-02-1997

Bandung Conference



18-04-2005

53rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference



23-09-2007

20th Conference of Speakers & Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth



05-01-2010

World Classical Tamil Conference-Kowai



27-06-2010

10th World Hindi Conference



10-09-2015

CONGRESS...

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Congress is an alternative name for a large national or international academic conference. It is a formal meeting or series of meetings for discussion between delegates, especially those from a political party, trade union, or from within a particular sphere of activity. India Post has issued various stamps on Congress held in India & abroad. Here an effort is made to present such stamps.

4th World Forestry Congress, Dehra Dun



12-11-1954

XXVI International Congress of Orientalists, New Delhi



04-01-1964

XXII International Geological Congress



14-12-1964

XX Congress International Chamber of Commerce, New Delhi



08-02-1965

21st International Geographical Congress



01-12-1968

XIX International Dairy Congress



02-12-1974

XXXII International Homoeopathic Congress



06-10-1977

XV International Congress of Pediatrics



23-10-1977

12 International Congress of Soil Science, New Delhi



08-02-1982

XII International Leprosy Congress, New Delhi



20-02-1984

12th World Mining Congress, New Delhi



20-11-1984

29th Congress of I.C.C., New Delhi



11-02-1987

75th Session of the Indian Science Congress Association



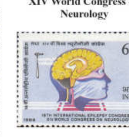
07-01-1988

13th Asian Pacific Dental Congress



28-01-1988

18th International Epilepsy Congress and XIV World Congress on Neurology



21-10-1989

XVI International Cancer Congress



30-10-1994

2nd International Crop Science Congress



17-11-1996

20th International Congress of Radiology



18-09-1998

26th IBBY Congress



20-09-1998

100 Years of Indian Science Congress



03-01-2013

ACADEMIES.....Temples of Art, Language, Science & many areas of knowledge...

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A National Academy is an organizational body, usually operating with State financial support and approval, that co-ordinates scholarly research activities and standards for academic disciplines, most frequently in the sciences, but also the humanities. National Academies are bodies for scientists, artists or writers that are usually state-funded and often are given the role of controlling much of the state funding for research into their areas, or other forms of funding. They play an important organizational role in academic exchanges and collaborations between countries. India Post has honoured various Indian Academies by issuing their Commemorative Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Indian Military Academy



10-12-1982

Lalitkala Akademi



31-12-2010

Indian Academy of Pediatrics



08-11-2013

National Defence Academy



19-02-1999

Sahitya Akademi



21-12-2004

Maharashtra Police Academy



03-11-2007

Officers Training Academy, Chennai



07-03-2013

Lal Bahadur National Academy of Administration



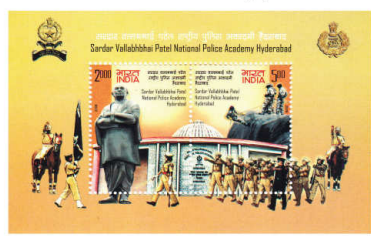
04-07-2009

Sangeet Natak Akademi



22-12-2013

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad - 27-11-2008



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Traditional Paintings - Indian Miniature Paintings



Traditional Paintings - Indian Miniature Paintings on Four Seasons



Traditional Paintings

Tribal Paintings



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Folk Paintings



Folk Paintings

Caves Paintings

Chapel Paintings



Floor Paintings



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An Art of Creative Expression.....

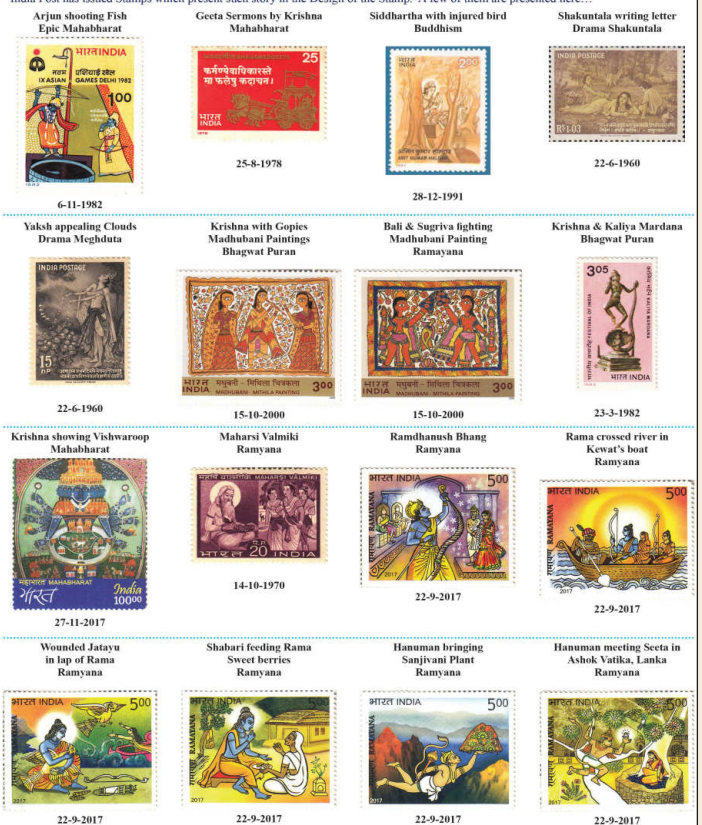
Painting is an Art of expressing inner vision, feelings or imagination of an Artist or Painter. India Post has honored many famous Painters by putting their beautiful Paintings on Stamps. Here a few are presented.....



'SSS'- Stamp Speaks Story...

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India is home to some of the most ancient civilizations and has vivid culture and vast history. It is often labelled as an amalgamation of various cultures, spans across the Indian subcontinent and has been influenced and shaped by a history that is several thousand years old. The culture of India has rich reference to many distinct and unique cultures of religions and communities present in India. And the history of India is full of mythological stories preserved in Great Epics/Sanskrit Dramas which narrate various facets and aspects of Indian Culture. India Post has issued Stamps which present such story in the Design of the Stamp. A few of them are presented here...



PRESIDENT'S FLEET REVIEW...Page 1...Proud Ceremony of Naval Command

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President's Review of the Fleet
6th Naval Review at Bombay by President Giani Zail Singh in 1984



(1) Hawker Siddeley Harrier (2) 'Vikrant' Aircraft Carrier (3) 'Vela' Submarine (4) 'Kashin' Destroyer

12-2-1984

President's Review of the Fleet
7th Naval Review at Bombay by President Shri R Venkataraman in 1989



Task Force & Indian Naval Ensign

15-2-1989

1st International Fleet Review, conducted in India at Mumbai, by Shri K R Narayanan in 2001



18-2-2001

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President's Fleet Review

Naval Review by Shri A P J Abdul Kalam at Visakhapatnam in 2006

This is the Regular Size stamps of 26x53mm. Another Larger Size stamps of 26x55mm are also issued.



(1) Aircraft Carrier 'INS Virat's Fighter Plane
(2) 'Sea Harrier' Frigates 'Talwar' 'Brahmaputra' and anti-submarine seeking Helicopter
(3) 'Sandhyak' Survey vessel and Patrol vessel 'Vigraha'
(4) Submarines 'Sindhughosh' and 'Shishumar'

11-2-2006

President's Fleet Review - 8th Naval Review at Mumbai by President Smt. Pratibha Patil in 2011



(1) Submarine (2) Warship (3) Presidential Yacht (4) Naval Aircraft

19-12-2011

2nd International Fleet Review, conducted in India at Visakhapatnam, by President Shri Pranab Mukherjee in 2016



International Fleet Review

6-2-2016

INDIAN NAVY...

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The Indian Navy is the naval branch of the Indian Armed Forces. The President of India is the Supreme Commander of the Indian Navy. The primary objective of the navy is to safeguard the nation's maritime borders, and in conjunction with other Armed Forces of the union, act to deter or defeat any threats or aggression against the territory, people or maritime interests of India, both in war and peace. Through joint exercises, goodwill visits and humanitarian missions, including disaster relief, Indian Navy promotes bilateral relations between nations. India Post has issued many stamps on different aspects of Indian Navy. A few are presented here.



15-12-1968

04-12-1981

11-01-1986

16-02-1986



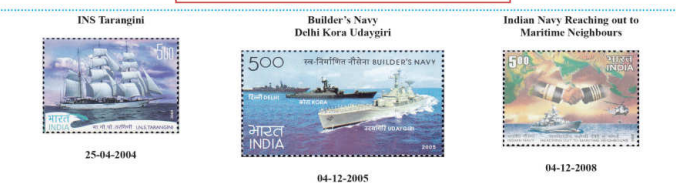
15-11-1998

2200 B.C.

1700 A.D.

17-12-2000

05-04-1999



25-04-2004

04-12-2005

04-12-2008



10-01-1987

09-07-2010

04-12-2013

15-09-2015

INDIA IN SPACE...

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The growth of space technology has given mankind a new and powerful medium for global communication in the form of satellites, which can relay messages to and from the earth, with the help of the built-in receivers and transmitters. Space technology has allowed the nation of India to move into the world of high technology, a place previously occupied only by more-developed nations. India's economic progress has made its space program more visible and active as the country aims for greater self-reliance in space technology. India Post has issued many stamps pertaining to Space, Satellite & Communication. A few are presented here.



26-02-1972

20-04-1975

18-07-1981

23-03-1982

01-11-2003



19-06-1982

02-11-1982

03-04-1984

11-05-1999



18-03-1991

17-05-1995

18-07-1983

10-04-2015



29-09-2000

29-09-2000

29-09-2000

14-02-2015

CRICKET.....A game of unpredictable Magic.....

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The game of Cricket is highly popular in India. India in 1971 won two Rubbers, against West Indies & England. It has also won two Cricket World Cups in 1983 & 2011. Some Stamps and Cancellation relating to this magnificent Sport are presented here.

Col. C.K. Nayudu



13-03-1996

Vinoos Mankad



13-03-1996

Prof. D.B. Deodhar



13-03-1996

Vijay Merchant



13-03-1996

K.S. Ranjitsinhji



27-09-1973

Tamil Nadu Cricket Association



26-01-2007

Cricket Victories



30-12-1971

Sachin Tendulkar



14-11-2013

Cancellation of One Day International Match India Vs Ambassadors XI, Bangalore - 12-10-1986



FOOTBALL...

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Football is a family of team sport that involve, to varying degrees, kicking a ball to score a goal. It is the most popular team sports in the world. It is played with a spherical ball between two teams of eleven players. The object of the game is to score by moving the ball beyond the goal line into the opposing goal. Players are not allowed to touch the ball with hands or arms while it is in play, except for the goalkeepers within the penalty area. Other players mainly use their feet to strike or pass the ball, but may also use any other part of their body except the hands and the arms. The team that scores most goals by the end of the match wins. The major international competition in football is the World Cup, organized by FIFA. This competition takes place every four years since 1930. It is the most prestigious association football tournament in the world, as well as the most widely viewed and followed sporting event in the world. India Post has issued various stamps on game of Football celebrating different events. Some stamps are presented here.

IX Asian Games Delhi



19-11-1982

World Cup Football Mexico



31-05-1986

Mohun Bagan Centenary



23-09-1989

4th CISM Military World Games



14-10-2007

Gostha Paul
Great Football Player



20-08-1998

FIFA (Federation of International Football Association) World Cup



12-06-2014

Dr. Talimer AO
Great Football Player



28-01-2018

FDC of World Cup Football '86 MEXICO depicting Football & the Map of World in cachet



31-5-1986

HOCKEY...

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Hockey is a sport in which two teams play against each other by trying to maneuver a ball or a puck into the opponent's goal using a hockey stick. The India national field hockey team was the first non-European team to be a part of the International Hockey Federation. In 1928, the team won its first Olympic gold medal and until 1960, the Indian men's team remained unbeaten in the Olympics, winning six gold medals in a row. India also won the 1975 World Cup. Dhyan Chand was an Indian hockey player and one of the greatest hockey players in the history of the sport. Known as The Wizard or The Magician of hockey for his superb ball control, Chand played internationally from 1926 to 1949; he scored 570 goals in 185 matches according to his autobiography, Goal. India Post has issued various stamps on game of Hockey celebrating different events. Some stamps are presented here.

Hockey Champions
5th Asian Games



31-12-1966

Hockey
XX Olympic Games



10-08-1972

Hockey
XXI Olympic Games



17-07-1976

Dhyanchand
Hockey Wizard of India



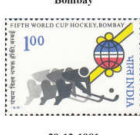
03-12-1980

Hockey
IX Asian Games Delhi



28-07-1981

Fifth World Cup Hockey,
Bombay



29-12-1981

Hockey
XXV Olympics



08-08-1992

Hockey
XXVII Olympics



17-09-2000

Hockey
28th Olympics



13-08-2004

Hockey
XIX Commonwealth Games



03-10-2010

Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup, Bhubaneswar 2018



28-11-2018

MASCOT...

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The word "Mascot" originates from the French term "Mascotte" which means lucky charm. Mascot is any person, animal, or object thought to bring luck, or anything used to represent a group with a common public identity, such as a school, professional sport team, society, military unit, or brand name. In the world of sports, mascots are used for popularizing and marketing the event of Sport. India Post has issued some Stamps of Mascots on various Game and Sport events. An effort is made here to present such stamps.

IX Asian Games Delhi 1982



28-07-1981

Golden Jubilee of
International Flight



06-08-1998

III Commonwealth
Youth Games



12-10-2008

FIFA World Cup



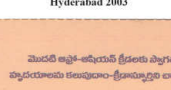
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Bhubaneswar

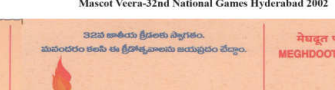


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Mascot Sheruo-1st Afro Asian Games,
Hyderabad 2003



Mascot Veera-32nd National Games Hyderabad 2002



XIX Commonwealth Games - Miniature Sheet - 2010-Mascot Shera welcomes you to Delhi along with Mascots of 1978-Keyano, 1982-Matilda, 1986-Mac, 1990-Goldie, 1994-Klee Wych, 1998-Wira, 2002-Kir, 2006-Karak - 18-20-2008

8th Asian Track and Field Meet



Mascot Bharati (Butterfly)
19-11-1989



UN, UNICEF, UNESCO & UNIDO...Uniting Countries of the World

UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION....

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UN-United Nations (started on 24-10-1945) is an intergovernmental organization that was tasked to maintain international peace and security, develop friendly relations among nations, achieve international co-operation and be a centre for harmonizing the actions of nations.

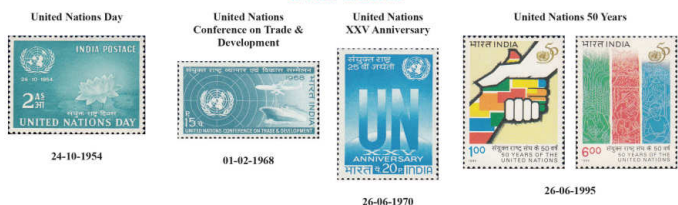
UNICEF-United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (now United Nations International Children's Fund) was created by the UN General Assembly on 11 December 1946, to provide emergency food and healthcare to children and mothers in countries that had been devastated by World War II.

UNESCO-United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (started on 24-10-1945) has a declared purpose to contribute to peace and security by promoting international collaboration through educational, scientific, and cultural reforms in order to increase universal respect for justice, the rule of law, and human rights, along with fundamental freedom proclaimed in the United Nations Charter.

UNIDO-United Nations Industrial Development Organization (started on 17-11-1966) is the specialized agency of the UN that promotes industrial development for poverty reduction, inclusive globalization and environmental sustainability.

India Post has issued stamps on UN, UNICEF, UNESCO & UNIDO. They are presented here.

UNITED NATIONS



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UNICEF



UNIDO

UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION....

The UPU was created in 1874, initially under the name "General Postal Union", under the Treaty of Berne signed on October 9, 1874. Four years later, the name was changed to "Universal Postal Union". It is a specialized agency of the United Nations that coordinates postal policies among member nations, in addition to the worldwide Postal System. The UPU provides that stamps of member nations are accepted for the entire international route. From the philatelic viewpoint it is a very important and useful agency. Many countries, including India, celebrate various events, institutions and personalities associated with UPU by issuing Commemorative Stamps. Some of them are presented here.....

75th Anniversary of formation of Universal Postal Union - 4 stamps showing Globe, Envelope and Lion Capital ...10-10-1949



New UPU Headquarters - 1 stamp showing UPU Headquarters Building (Berne, Switzerland)...20-5-1970



Heinrich Von Stephan...Founder of UPU...Portrait of Stephan & UPU Emblem....8-4-1981



Centenary of Universal Postal Union - 3 Stamps showing UPU Emblem, Birds & Nest and UPU Emblem and Arrows encircling Globe...3-10-1974



MS of above 3 Stamps...3-10-1974



125th Anniversary of Universal Postal Union - 4 stamps showing Traditional Rural Arts & Crafts.....9-10-1999



GLOBE... 'वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्'... The entire Globe is One Family...

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A Globe is a spherical model of Earth. It is known as terrestrial globe which shows details of its subject. It also shows land masses and water bodies. It might show nations and prominent cities and the network of latitude and longitude lines. It has become a symbol to indicate Earth, World or Universe which encompasses various Nations. Hence to present any theme or event having international reference, Globe is used as a Symbol. India Post has issued many stamps which present Globe within the design of stamps. Some of them are presented here...

Globe with Map



Globe with Longitude & Latitude



Globe as Symbol



GREETINGS

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The exchange of greetings has today become a very popular phenomenon. In India too, as in the rest of the world, we send greetings on occasions of Indian festivals like Deepavali, Baisakhi, Dussehra, Pongal, Christmas, Bihu and Id, besides other personal occasions. India Post issued 'Greetings' stamps which can be used on all such occasions. These stamps were first introduced in 1990 and are designed to complement the card or letter inside the envelope. Although the designs of these stamps are not tied to specific occasions, they add greater poignancy to message to friends and loved ones at special moments in their lives. Such Commemorative Stamps are presented here.



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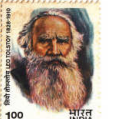
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 Henry Dunant Swiss Founder of the Red Cross 08-05-1963	 Annie Besant British Theosophist 01-10-1963	 Eleanor Roosevelt American activist-Associated with Declaration of Human Rights 10-12-1963	 Dr Waldemar M. Haffkine Russian Immunologist 16-03-1964	 St Thomas Apostle of Jesus from Roman Empire 02-12-1964
 St Francis Xavier Spanish Roman Catholic Missionary & Co-founder of Society of Jesus 24-12-1964	 Maxim Gorky Russian Writer & Politician 28-03-1968	 Sister Nivedita-Margaret Noble Irish Disciple of Swami Vivekanand 27-10-1968	 Madam Curie Polish Scientist who did pioneering research in Radioactivity 06-11-1968	 Dr Martin Luther King American Civil Rights' Activist 25-01-1969
 Man on the Moon-Neil Armstrong American Astronaut 19-11-1969	 V Lenin Russian Revolutionary, Politician & Political Theorist 22-04-1970	 Dr Montessori Centenary Italian Educator & Founder of Montessori method of Education 31-08-1970	 Beethoven German Music Composer 16-12-1970	 C F Andrews British Missionary & Social Reformer 12-02-1971
 Bertrand Russell British Philosopher 16-10-1972	 Nicolaus Copernicus Polish Mathematician & Astronomer 21-07-1973	 Dr G Armuuer Hansen Norwegian Physician & Discoverer of Leprosy bacillus 21-07-1973	 Allan Octavian Hume Britisher & Founder of Indian National Congress 31-07-1973	 Max Muller German Indologist 15-07-1974

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 Nicholas Roerich Russian Painter, writer, archaeologist, theosophist & philosopher 09-10-1974	 Guglielmo Marconi Italian Inventor of Radio Transmission 12-12-1974	 Alexander Graham Bell Scottish Inventor of Telephone 10-03-1976	 Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy Ceylonese Historian of Indian Art & Culture 22-08-1977	 Dr Samuel Hahnemann German Physician & Founder of Homeopathy 06-10-1977
 The Mother, Pondicherry French Philosopher & Spiritual Master 21-02-1978	 Peter Paul Rubens German Artist 04-04-1978	 Charlie Chaplin British Comic Actor & Director 02-10-1978	 Leo Tolstoy Russian Writer 02-10-1978	 Wright Brothers American aviation pioneers & Inventors of Airplane 23-12-1978
 Franz Peter Schubert Austrian Music Composer 25-12-1978	 Albert Einstein German Physicist & Developer of Theory of Relativity 14-03-1979	 Sir Rowland Hill British Originator of modern Postal Service 25-01-1980	 Wealthy Fisher American Educationist 18-03-1980	 Hellen Keller American Campaigner for the Handicapped 27-06-1980
 Mother Teresa Albanian-Indian Roman Catholic Nun & Missionary 27-08-1980	 Lord Earl Louis Mountbatten Britisher & 1st Gov-Gen of India 28-08-1980	 Heinrich Von Stephan German Founder of UPU 08-04-1981	 Henry Heras Spanish Archaeologist & Historian 14-12-1981	 Robert Koch German Physician & Microbiologist 24-03-1982

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 Franklin Roosevelt American President & Statesman 30-01-1983	 St. Francis of Assisi Italian Catholic Preacher 04-04-1983	 Karl Marx German Philosopher 05-05-1983	 Charles Robert Darwin English Naturalist & best known for his contribution to the Theory of Evolution 18-05-1983	 Simon Bolivar South American Statesman 24-07-1983
 Meera Behn-Madeline Slade British Woman-Joined Gandhi 09-08-1983	 George Frideric Handel & Johann Sebastian Bach British & German Musicians 7-12-1985	 Don Bosco Founder of Salesian Brothers 31-01-1989	 Mustafa Kemal Ataturk Turkish Statesman 30-08-1989	 Ho Chi Minh Vietnamese Leader 17-05-1990
 Mozart Austrian Music Composer 05-12-1991	 Henry Albert John Gidney Irish-Indian Ophthalmologist 09-05-1992	 Stephan Hector Taylor Smith Anglo-Indian Pioneer of Airborne mail 19-12-1992	 William Carey British Social Reformer & Cultural Anthropologist 09-01-1993	 Louis Pasteur French Microbiologist 28-09-1995
 W C Roentgen German Physicist & Discoverer of X-Rays 08-11-1995	 Abai Kununbaev Kazak Poet & Humanist 09-12-1996	 Jos Marti Cuban Revolutionary Writer 28-01-1997	 Sir Ronald Ross British Bacteriologist in Tropical diseases 20-08-1997	 Sir William Jones British Founder of Indology & Oriental Studies 28-09-1997

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 David Sassoon-Library & Bethune Collegiate School-Reading Room Jewish Leader in Bombay 30-11-1998	 Yuri Gagarin Russian Cosmonaut 12-04-2001	 Fryderyk Chopin Polish Music Composer 03-05-2001	 Haif Shirazi Persian Poet from Iran 16-08-2004
 Dr Svetoslav Roerich Russian Painter 27-10-2004	 Don Bosco Salesians Italian Founder of Salesians of Don Bosco 27-02-2006	 Bartholomaeus Ziegenbaig German Lutheran Clergy & First Pietist Missionary to India 10-12-2006	 Henning Holck-Larsen Danish Engineer & Co-founder of Larsen & Toubro 12-06-2008
 Sisters of the Poor-Jeanne Jugan French Sister known as 'Sister Mary of the Cross' 29-10-2009	 Henry Louis Vivian Derozio Portuguese descent Indian Humanist 15-12-2009	 Robert Caldwell British Missionary & Linguist 07-05-2010	 Mary Ward-Loreto Institutions British Catholic Nun and Founder of Sisters of Loreto 02-02-2011
 Henri Pequet French Pilot of 1st Airmail Flight from Allahabad to Naini in 1911 12-02-2011	 Anagarika Dharmapala Sri Lankan Buddhist Revivalist 25-10-2014	 Oliver Reginald Tambo South African anti-apartheid Revolutionary 07-06-2018	 Nelson Mandela South African anti-apartheid Revolutionary 26-07-2018
 Nicola Tesla Serbian-American Inventor 15-09-2018	 Stephen Hislop Scottish Missionary, Educationist & Naturalist 17-09-2018		

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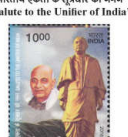
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 'Beware of Drugs' International Conference on Drug Abuse 5-3-1991	 'Plan Your Family' Family Planning Week 12-12-1966	 'Help the Retardates' Help for Mentally Retarded Children 8-12-1974	 'Lead us from Darkness to Light' Arya Samaj 05-04-2000
 'A Small Family is a Happy Family' Family Planning 27-2-1987	 'My Life is my Message' 125 Years of Mahatma Gandhi 02-10-1994	 'Even Wars have Limits' 50 Years of Geneva Convention 12-8-1999	
 'Let Us Live Tomorrow' Children's Day 14-11-1999	 'Beti Bachao - Beti Padhao' Girl Child 22-1-2015	 'Foresight Prevents Blindness' World Health Day 07-04-1976	 'Love and Care for Elders' Love and Care for Elders 24-05-1988
 'Use Pincode' Use Pincode 14-10-1989	 'Care for the Girl Child' Care for the Girl Child 05-09-1990	 'Run for your Heart' Run for your Heart 11-12-1991	 'Heart Care Festival' Heart Care Festival 09-12-1993

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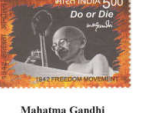
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 'First Sunrise of the Millennium' Greetings 01-01-2000	 'Service is the highest Religion' International Year of Volunteers 05-12-2001	 'Reverence for all Life' World Convention on Reverence for all Life 23-11-1997	 'Salute to the Unifier of India' National Unity Day 31-10-2016
 'Grow up with Good Books' International Children's Book Fair 1979 28-07-1999	 'Freedom is My Birth Right' Bal Gangadhar Tilak 40th Anniversary of Independence 16-8-1988	 'Dignity and Justice for all of us' 60 Years of Universal Declaration of Human Rights 10-12-2008	
 'Environment Consciousness' Children's Day 14-11-1996	 'Indolized Salt - Protector of Energy & Intellect' Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Day 21-10-2001	 'They Defend' Defence Campaign 15-08-1963	

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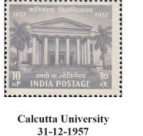
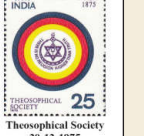
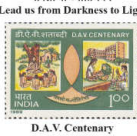
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 'Jai Hind' Independence (National Flag) 21-11-1947	 'Happy Child - Nation's Pride' International Year of The Child 5-3-1979	 'Jai Hind' / 'Chalao Delhi' Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose 23-1-1964
 'Empowered Girl - Empowered Society' Children's Day 14-11-1998	 'Jai Jawan' Jai Jawan 26-01-1966	 'Jai Kisan' Jai Kisan 01-11-1967
 'Jai Vigyan' Technology Day 11-05-1999	 'Small Family - Happy Family' Family Planning 11-7-1994	 'Small Family Happy Family' Family Planning 11-7-1994
 'Karenga Ya Marenga' - M K Gandhi Quit India 9-8-1992	 'Do or Die' - M K Gandhi Mahatma Gandhi 9-8-2017	

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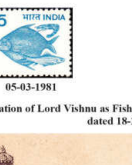
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 'Lead us from Unperishable Wealth' Madras University 31-12-1957	 'Lead us from Darkness to Light' Bombay University 31-12-1957	 'Lead us from Darkness to Light' Calcutta University 31-12-1957	 'We Serve Day & Night' 100,000 Post Offices 01-07-1968	 'There is no religion higher than truth' Theosophical Society 20-12-1975
 'Make the World Noble' Arya Samaj 11-04-1975	 'Souls render Service to one another' Bhagwan Mahavira 2600th Jann Kalyanak 06-04-2001	 'Day & Night Alert' Intelligence Bureau 23-11-2013	 'Vigilance & Valour' Territorial Army 16-11-1974	 'Restoration of Friendly Relations' First Anniversary of Army Postal Service Corps 01-03-1973
 'Cradle of Excellence' Rashtriya Indian Military College, Dehra Dun 13-03-1997	 'O Sun! Please uncover that...' Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan 15-12-2014	 'Victory Every Where' 2nd Battalion of the Rajput Regiment (Kalkichindi) 30-11-1998	 'Industry, Impartiality, Integrity' Central Bureau of Investigation 11-11-2013	
 'Lead us from Darkness to Light' D.A.V. Centenary 27-06-1989	 'Impartial, Easy and Speedy Justice' Income Tax Appellate Tribunal 24-01-2016	 'Courageous Fearless Selfless' The Indian Armed Forces 16-12-1997	 'Death is better in doing one's own Duty' 4th BN(W/L) The Madras Regiment 12-08-1994	

FISH...

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Fish have had a role in culture through the ages, serving as deities, religious symbols, and as the subjects of art, books and movies. They are also an important resource for humans worldwide, especially as food. In Hindu Mythology, Fish or Matsya is the 1st Avatar in the 10 primary Avatars of Lord Vishnu. It is described to have rescued Manu and earthly existence from a great deluge. It is also one of the Zodiac signs. It is a Symbol of Pisces. India Post has issued Commemorative and Definitive Stamps on Fish. Some of them are presented here.

IX Asian Games Delhi 1982  30-10-1982	River Dolphin  04-03-1991	Sea Cow  04-03-1991	Goa Carnival  27-02-2007
Greetings  30-10-2003	Greetings  15-12-2007	Jayadeva and Geetgovinda Incarnation of Lord Vishnu as Fish  27-07-2009	Pisces  14-04-2010
Gangetic Dolphin (Platanista Gangetica)  16-11-2009	Pisciculture (Litho)  05-03-1981	Pisciculture (Photo)  29-11-1982	

Bazar Card of Incarnation of Lord Vishnu as Fish printed in Ravi Varma Press, Karla-Lonavala dated 18-2-1909



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Butanding (Rhincodon Typus)

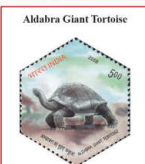
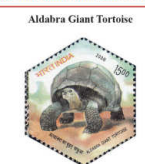
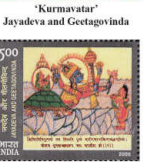


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TORTOISE & TURTLE...

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Tortoises and Turtles are both reptiles from the order of Testudines, but in different classification families. The major difference between the two is that tortoises dwell on land, while turtles live in the water some or nearly all of the time. The bodies of tortoises and turtles are both shielded by a shell. These reptiles are generally reclusive and shy in nature. In Hindu Mythology, one of the Incarnations of Lord Vishnu is 'Kurma'-Tortoise. India Post has issued some Commemorative Stamps on them. In Edwardian period Bazar Card depicting 'Kurma' Tortoise as incarnation of God was also prepared by creative artists and philatelists. Some such stamps are presented here.

Batagur Terrapin  Millipex 2000 29-01-2000	Olive Ridley Turtle  Millipex 2000 29-01-2000	The Tortoise and The Geese Panchtantra Story  17-10-2001
Aldabra Giant Tortoise  02-08-2008	Aldabra Giant Tortoise  02-08-2008	'Kurmavatar' Jayadeva and Geetgovinda  27-07-2009
		Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup, Bhubaneswar Game Mascot-Turtle  28-11-2018

Special Cover of Sea Turtle at Gahiramattha (Orissa) showing Turtle in cancellation of Bhubaneswar dated 7-1-1987 & Bazar Card depicting 'Kurmavatar' having cancellation of 17-5-1906 of Bombay

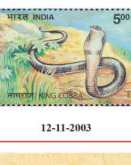
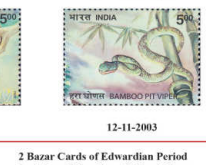


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SNAKES...

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Snakes are a part of Hindu worship. A festival, Nag Panchami, where Nag or Snake is worshipped is celebrated every year. Most images of Lord Shiva depict snake around his neck. It is believed that Lord Vishnu is resting on the bed of Shesh-Nag. Puranas have various stories associated with snakes. In the Puranas, Shesha is said to hold all the planets of the Universe on his hoods and to constantly sing the glories of Vishnu from all his mouths. There are many stories in Panchatantra fables pertaining to Snake. India Post has issued some stamps depicting Snakes and stories associated with Snakes. An effort is made here to present some of them.

Kaliya Mardana Festival of India  23-03-1982	The Crows and the Snake  17-10-2001	Kaliya Mardana drawing Children's Day  14-11-2006
King Cobra  12-11-2003	Python  12-11-2003	Gliding Snake  12-11-2003
		Bamboo Pit Viper  12-11-2003

2 Bazar Cards of Edwardian Period depicting Kalya Naga & Shesh Naga

(1) Lord Krishna dancing on Kaliya Naga (Kalya Snake) after controlling him
(2) Shesh Naga (Snake) protecting Lord Krishna when Vasudeva was carrying him to Gokul



Snake in Phad Painting - Dev Narayan

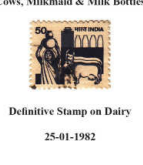


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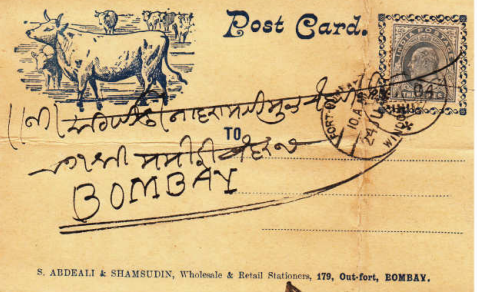
CATTLE...Useful Animals...

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Cattle are useful and have cultural importance in India. They are commonly raised as domesticated livestock; for milk, and hides which are used to make leather. They are also used as riding animals and draft animals (oxen or bullocks, which pull carts, plows and other implements). Another product of cattle is dung, which can be used to create manure or fuel. In some regions, such as parts of India, cattle have significant religious meaning. Cattle are considered sacred in world religions such as Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism, Zoroastrianism, and others. India has honoured these Cattle i.e. Cow and Bullocks by issuing some Commemorative & Definitive Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Farmer ploughing with Bullocks  First World Agriculture Fair, New Delhi 30-12-1959	Cows from Hand-printed cloth of Rajasthan  XIX International Dairy Congress 02-12-1974	Cows, Milkmaid & Milk Bottles  Definitive Stamp on Dairy 25-01-1982	Military Farm Dairy  Military Farms Centenary 18-08-1989
Indigenous Breed of Cattle - 1 Kankrej, Gujarat  25-04-2000	Indigenous Breed of Cattle - 2 Gir, Gujarat  25-04-2000	Indigenous Breed of Cattle - 3 Kangayam, Tamilnadu  25-04-2000	Indigenous Breed of Cattle - 4 Hallikar, Karnataka  25-04-2000

Cow in the Cachet of Edwardian Bazar Post Card



Cancellation of Fort...Dated 24-6-1904

BOOK FAIR & BOOK LIBRARY ... 'Books are the mirrors of the Soul' ...

TOURS, TRAVEL & TOURISM...

BOOK FAIR & BOOK LIBRARY ... For Preservation, Protection and Promotion of Books...

'Books are the mirrors of the Soul' ...

Books are treasure of knowledge. They give us deep and better understanding of life. They are gems and deserve to be preserved and their use requires to be promoted. Hence we find Book Libraries where books are properly organised and preserved. For their promotion and publicity, Book Fairs are organised. India Post has issued Commemorative Stamps on various Book Fairs and Book Libraries. Some of them are presented here.

BOOK FAIR

III World Book Fair, New Delhi



11-02-1978

International Children's Book Fair, New Delhi



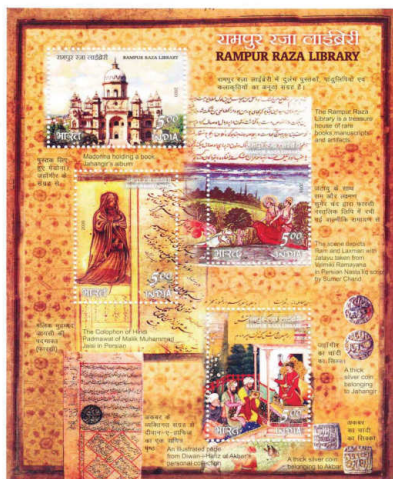
10-11-1979

4th World Book Fair, New Delhi



29-02-1980

BOOK LIBRARY

Rampur Raza Library
Uttar PradeshMiniature Sheet of 4 Stamps
19-06-2009Khuda Baksh Oriental
Public Library

21-11-1994

Bharti Bhawan
Library, Allahabad

30-08-1995

David Sassoon Library &
Reading Room, Bombay

30-11-1998

Connemara Public
Library, Madras

05-12-1998

Hardayal Municipal Heritage Public Library



29-12-2016

TOURS, TRAVEL & TOURISM...

Tourism in India is important for the country's economy which is growing rapidly. The Ministry of Tourism designs national policies for the development and promotion of tourism. Concerted efforts are being made to promote niche tourism products such as rural, cruise, medical and eco-tourism. The Ministry of Tourism maintains the Incredible India campaign focused on promoting the tourism in India. Incredible India Tours get tourist's pulse racing as he explores its incredible tourist attractions. Travel to India, the extravagantly beautiful land, will surely become tantamount to a wonderful 'celebration'. India is a repertoire of surprises and delights, ready to leave traveller & tourist spell bound. Laced with glorious culture and breath-taking attractions, India is a dream destination for all seasons. India Post has issued some stamps promoting Tours, Travel & Tourism. A few are presented here

Pacific Area Travel
Association

24-01-1966

International Tourist Year



19-03-1967

27th Pacific Area Travel
Association Conference

23-01-1978

Indian Tourism Year



15-11-1991

International Conference
on Youth Tourism

18-11-1991

Bharat Paryatan Diwas



25-01-1998

Independence Day
Tourism in India

15-08-2016

Holiday Destinations in India



15-08-2018

Holiday Destinations in India



15-08-2018

FDC of Stamp of Ghats of Varanasi with Cancellation of World Tourism Organization Fifth General Assembly dt. 3-10-1983
(This is the date of issue of stamp and the starting date of 5th General Assembly on Tourism)



TRIBES & TRIBAL CULTURE...

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Tribal People or *Adiwasis* make up about 7% population of India. They are protected and are provided educational, social, economic, political and cultural safeguards by Constitution of India. India Post has honoured various tribes and their life style, dress, festivals, painting, dance and personalities by issuing several Commemorative Stamps. Some such stamps are presented here.

Tribes

Bhil
(M.P., Maharashtra, Gujarat &
Rajasthan)

30-5-1981

Khamnang Naga
(Nagaland)

30-5-1981

Dandami Maria
(Madhya Pradesh)

30-5-1981

Toda
(Tamilnadu)

30-5-1981

Tribal Dance

'Valar' Dance of Garasias
of Rajasthan

30-4-1991

'Kayang' Dance of Kinners
'Hozagiri' Dance of Reangs
of Tripura

30-4-1991

'Velakali' Dance of
Kundivilians of Kerala

30-4-1991

'Kalbelia' Dance of
Kalbelia Tribe of Rajasthan

15-12-2010

Tribal Paintings & Personalities

Birsu Munda
Freedom Fighter

15-11-1988

Wall Painting of Rathva Tribe



09-10-1999

Sido Murnu & Kanhu Murnu
(Santhal Tribe Leaders)

06-04-2002

Painting of Warli Tribe



20-06-2012

Tribal Headgears

Bison Horn Maria Tribal Cap
(Chhattisgarh)

10-02-2017

Tapi Brokpa Tribe Cap
(Ladakh-J & K)

10-02-2017

Angami Tribal Cap
(Nagaland)

10-02-2017

FAIRS & FESTIVALS OF INDIA "उत्सवप्रिया: खलु मनुष्याः"

FAIRS & FESTIVALS OF INDIA

"उत्सवप्रिया: खलु मनुष्याः" - People like & love Festivals...

Fairs & Festivals are events ordinarily celebrated by a community and centering on some characteristic aspect of its religion, culture, folklore, agriculture etc. They serve to fulfill specific communal purposes. The celebrations provide entertainment and offer a sense of belonging for religious, social, or geographical groups, contributing to group cohesiveness. Festivals focusing on cultural or ethnic topics also seek to inform community members of their traditions. People of India are lively and vibrant. They love colorful Fairs & Festivals which are full of life & energy. They celebrate them on different dates. Some of the Stamps & MS issued on this subject are presented here.

FAIRS

(1) Sonapur Fair (2) Pushkar Fair (3) Goa Carnival (4) Baul Mela

Miniature Sheet presents other celebration aspects by the side of respective Fair Stamps
27-02-2007

FESTIVALS

Pongal



12-1-2006

Durga Puja, Dussehra-Kolkata



7-10-2008

Dussehra, Mysore



7-10-2008

Deepavali



7-10-2008

Kite Festival



My Stamp Issue of Gujarat

Dandiya Dance
of Navratri Festival

My Stamp Issue of Gujarat

Christmas



8-12-2008

Deepavali-Festival of Lights



5-11-2012

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Color Code Markings are in the style of 'Traffic Lights' and were first introduced on the sheets of Air-India issue of 1973. These are in the form of colored stars or discs, boxed or unboxed, numbering as many as the colors used in a printing. They are intended as a check on missing colors. They are helpful in accurate recording of color shades used in the printing. These are usually located near the four corners of the printer's sheet. India Post has issued colorful stamps with Color Code Marks in an artistic way. Some of them are presented here....

Star (5 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Small; with Box Muktabai 30-05-2003	Star (5 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; with Box Kedarnath 22-12-2001	Star (6 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; with Box Anglo Bengali Inter College, Allahabad 23-12-2002	Star (6 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; without Box INDEPEX Asiana 2000 24-05-2000
Star (8 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; with Box First Asian Regional Red Cross Conference, New Delhi, 1977 09-03-1977	Star (8 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; without Box International Children's Book Fair 1979 10-11-1979	Disc Color Code Mark - Big; with Box IISWBM, Kolkata 25-04-2004	Disc Color Code Mark - Small; without Box Ustad Bismillah Khan 21-08-2008
Disc Color Code Mark - Big; without Box; CMYK-Color Code letters & Registration Mark Numbers/Black square Rabindranath Tagore 07-05-2011			
Star (8 Pointed) Color Code Mark - Big; with Box; MAXIMUM - 10 Color Code 8 Pointed Stars South Asian Regional Co-operation 08-12-1985			

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Usually picture of single Celebrity is shown on Personality Stamp. But in some case where more than one personality is associated with each other or has similar type of achievement, their joint picture is shown. India Post issued some such Stamps with Two or more Personalities on single stamp. A few are presented here.....

Edward Hillary & Tenzing Climbers on Summit - Indian Mt. Everest Expedition 15-8-1965	Gandhiji & Kasturba Great Freedom Fighters - Gandhi Centenary Stamps 2-10-1969	Gandhi & Nehru Homage to Great Indian Freedom Fighters Gandhi & Nehru 15-8-1973	Wright Brothers Inventors of Airplane 23-12-1978
Gandhi, Nehru & Kripalani India's Struggle for Freedom - Quit India Resolution 9-8-1983	Nellie & Jatindra Mohan Sengupta Indian Freedom Fighters, Great Nationalists & Patriots 22-7-1985	George Frideric Handel & Johann Sebastian Bach Composers 27-12-1985	Ramprasad Bismil & Ashfaqullah Khan Indian Freedom Fighters 19-12-1997
Vakkom Abdul Khader, Satyendra Chandra Bardhan & Fousha Singh Nationalist Martyrs 25-5-1998	Bishnu Dey, Tarashankar Bandopadhyay & Ashapurna Devi Bangla Jnanpith Award Winners 5-6-1998	Ardeshtir & Pirojsha Godrej Centenary of Godrej Industrial Conglomerate, Sponsor in National Welfare 11-7-1998	Yogendra & Baikunth Shukla Indian Freedom Fighters 29-1-2001
Gandhi, Lincoln, Mother Teresa & Martin Luther King Advocates of Universal Declaration of Human Rights 10-12-2008	Joachim and Violet Alva Indian Freedom Fighters, Nationalists & Journalists 20-11-2008	Mahatma Gandhi & Kasturba 100 Years of Mahatma Gandhi's Return 08-01-2015	Sri Aurobindo & The Mother Golden Jubilee of Aurville International Township 25-02-2018

TAJ MAHAL.... 'the Epitome of Love...'

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UNESCO Heritage and one of the New7Wonders of the World....

The Taj Mahal, meaning "Crown of the Palaces", is an ivory-white marble mausoleum on the south bank of the river Yamuna in the Indian city of Agra. The Taj Mahal was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983 for being "the jewel of Muslim art in India and one of the universally admired masterpieces of the world's heritage". It is regarded by many as the best example of Mughal Architecture and a symbol of India's rich history as it incorporates and expands on design traditions of Persian and earlier Mughal Architecture. India Post has issued stamps, some postal cancellations, FDC and other postal stationery articles on Taj Mahal. A few are presented here.

Taj Mahal, Agra 06-05-1935	Taj Mahal, Agra 15-08-1949	Taj Mahal, Agra International Tourist Year 19-03-1967	Taj Mahal-Bi-centennial of Man's First Flight 21-11-1983
Taj Mahal-Khuda Baksh Oriental Public Library 21-11-1994	Taj Mahal, Agra 16-12-2004	Taj Mahal, Agra INDIA-89 World Philatelic Exhibition, New Delhi 	
Taj Mahal Independence Day Tourism in India 15-08-2016	Taj Mahal My Stamp INDEPEX 2011 (1st Issue) 12-02-2011	Taj Mahal, Agra 	
Taj Mahal, Agra My Stamp (3rd Issue) 16-7-2014	Taj Mahal My Stamp Mathura Refinery (43rd Issue) September-2017	Taj Mahal, Agra 	

MUSEUM A Treasure of Historic Art & Artifacts

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MUSEUM is an institution that cares for (conserves) a collection of artifacts and other objects of artistic, cultural, historical, or scientific importance. It preserves, interprets and displays items of historic significance for the education of the public. Many public museums make these items available for public viewing through exhibits that may be permanent or temporary. India Post has issued many stamps on museums. Some of them are presented here.....

Kachchh Museum, Bhuj Airavat-19th Century A.D. 27-07-1978	Indian Museum, Kolkata 'Kalpadruma'-2nd Century B.C. 27-07-1978	National Museum, New Delhi Both sides of Kushan Gold Coin-1st Century A.D. 27-07-1978	Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad Dagger of Jehangir & Knife of Noorjehan 27-07-1978
State Museum, Lucknow Goddess Durga on Lion-5th Century Terracotta plaque from Savasth U.P. 11-01-1989	Crafts Museum, New Delhi 'Madhubani' Art 21-12-2010	Crafts Museum, New Delhi Wood Carving 21-12-2010	Silver Jubilee National Rail Museum, New Delhi Historic Steam Locomotive 07-10-1996
Baroda Museum, Baroda Bronze 'Rishabh' - 6th Century A.D. 20-12-1994	Government Museum, Chennai 'Natraj'-12th Century Bronze from Tanjavur 19-06-2003	Government Museum, Chennai Sculptured Medallion from Amravati 19-06-2003	Government Museum, Chennai Museum Theatre 19-06-2003
Indian Museum, Kolkata 		Mathura Museum, Mathura U.P. 	
Indian Museum-Displayed Objects 02-02-2014		Woman Flute Player & Vidyadhara with Garland 09-10-1974	

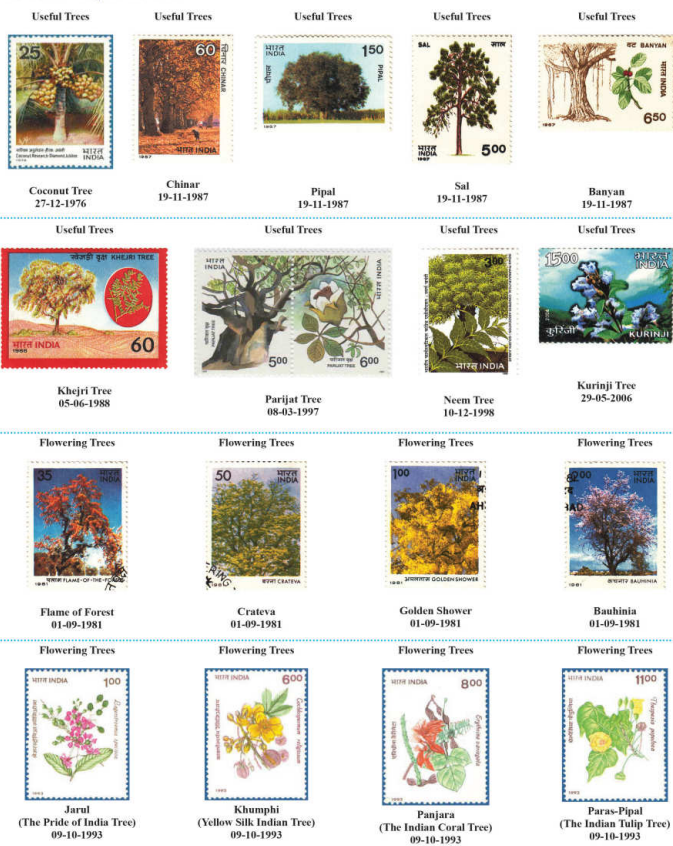
TREES || वृक्ष देवो भव || - Tree is the God of Life for nature and all creatures....

CORN EARS...Symbol of Agriculture Produce...

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|| वृक्ष देवो भव || - Tree is the God of Life for nature and all creatures....

Trees are our earliest neighbours and best friends. They help in checking environmental pollution and soil erosion. They enrich our lives by providing fruit, flower, wood, oxygen and many herbal medicines. India Post has gratefully issued Stamps on such various types of Trees. Some of them are presented here...



CORN EARS...Symbol of Agriculture Produce...

India is primarily an agriculture-based country and its economy largely depends upon agriculture. Agriculture is demographically the broadest economic sector and plays a significant role in the overall socio-economic fabric of India. To present this in proper perspective, India Post has issued Commemorative & Definitive stamps which present Corn Ears - 'Symbol of Agriculture' within the design of stamps. Some of them are presented here...

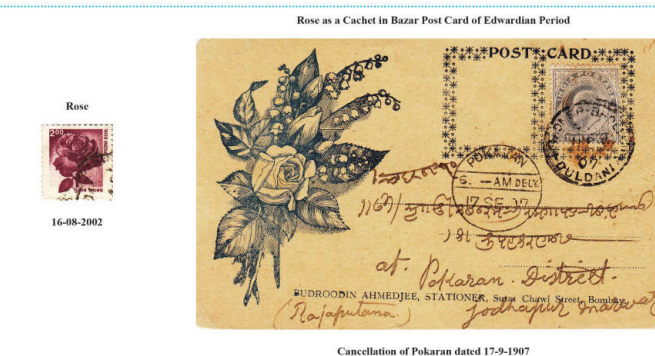


ROSE.... King of Flowers...

NATIONAL PARKS...

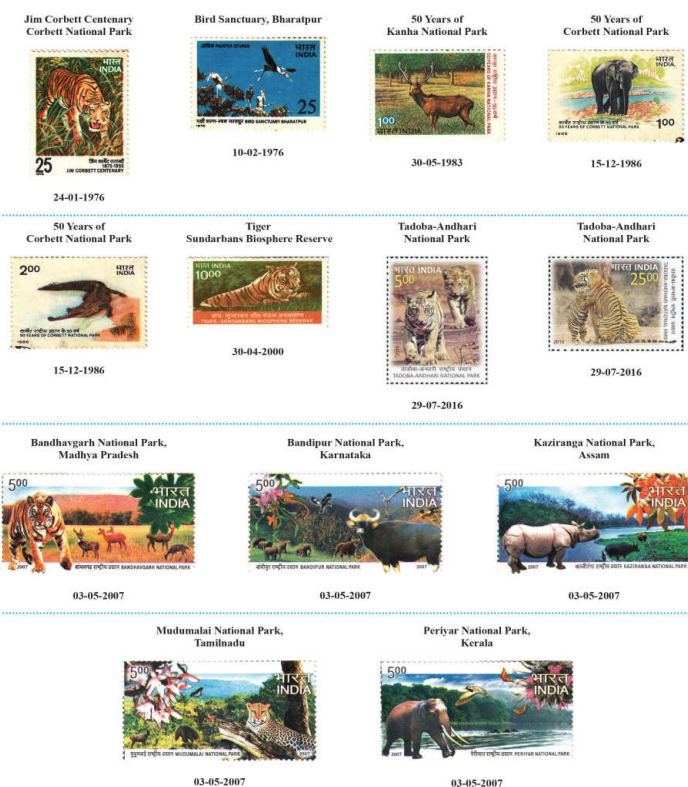
ROSE.... King of Flowers...

Rose is the King of flowers. Roses are a favored subject in art and appear in portraits, illustrations, on stamps, as ornaments or as architectural elements. India Post has issued Commemorative/Definitive Stamps and Miniature Sheet of Roses having Rose Fragrance. In Edwardian period some Bazar Post Cards were also issued with Rose as Cachet. Some of them are presented here.



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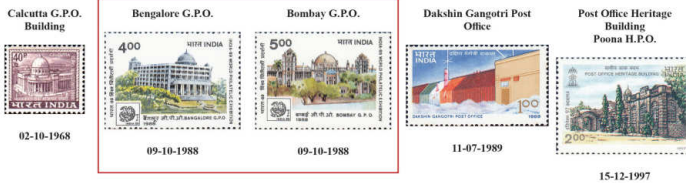
National Park is "an area, whether within a sanctuary or not, that can be notified by the state government to be constituted as a National Park, by reason of its ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological, or zoological association or importance, needed to for the purpose of protecting & propagating or developing wildlife therein or its environment. No human activity is permitted inside the national park. India's first National Park was established in 1936 as Hailey National Park, now known as Jim Corbett National Park, Uttarakhand. Till July 2018, there were 104 national parks encompassing an area of 40,501 km² (15,638 square miles), comprising 1.23% of India's total surface area. India Post has issued stamps on these Parks. Here is an effort to present them...



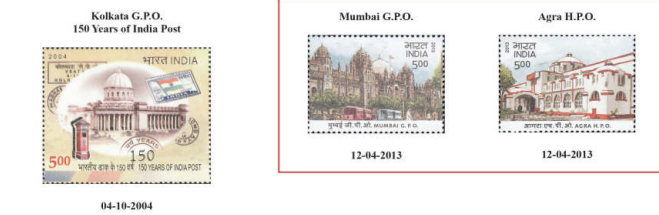
POST OFFICE BUILDINGS...

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Post office in India is a public department that provides a customer service to the public and handles their mail needs. Since India became independent in 1947, the postal service continues to function on a nationwide basis, providing a variety of services. Many Post Office Buildings are built during the British times and hence are classic heritage buildings. With 155,015 post offices, India Post has the most widely distributed postal network in the world. India Post has issued many stamps depicting magnificent heritage buildings of Post Offices. An effort is made here to present some of them.



Postal Heritage Buildings



BANKS...

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Bank is a financial institution that accepts deposits from the public and creates credit. Its lending activities can be performed either directly or indirectly through capital markets. Due to their importance in the financial stability of a country, banks are highly regulated in most countries. In India, over and above Nationalized Banks, there are Co-operative and Private Sector Banks too. India Post has issued various Commemorative Stamps & My Stamps on such Banks who serve the people of India. Here an effort is made to present such stamps.



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A Tower or Minar is a tall structure, taller than it is wide, often by a significant margin. Towers are specifically distinguished from "buildings" in that they are not built to be habitable but to serve other functions. The principal functions of Towers are the use of their height for visibility, observation for leisure purposes, telecommunication purposes, utility Purposes or for enhancing the beauty of the Mosques or Monuments. They are also built as Memorials of great event. India Post has issued Stamps on various types of Towers and Minars. An effort is made here to present such stamps.



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FAMILY PLANNING...

“छोटा परिवार - सुखी परिवार” - “Small Family - Happy Family”

Family planning services are defined as “educational, comprehensive medical or social activities which enable individuals to determine freely the number and spacing of their children and to select the means by which this may be achieved”. India is a developing country and Population is a big problem. So India is promoting “Small Family” in the campaign of Family Planning. And accordingly, India Post is trying to bring awareness by issue of various Stamps, Cancellations & Slogans pertaining to Family Planning. A few stamps are presented here.



MOTHER & CHILD... ‘The Mother is born, when the Child is born’...

MOTHER & CHILD...

‘The Mother is born, when the Child is born’...

The pivotal role of being a mother is still the divine mission assigned to women alone. Women are actually given an opportunity and a privilege by God to be His partner in giving life to another human being. Indeed there exist a dynamic between mother and child. She feeds, nurtures and teaches the Child; and thereby makes the world a much better place. India Post has issued some stamps depicting Mother & Child. An effort is made here to present some of them.



DISEASES, DISORDERS & DISABILITIES...

DISEASES, DISORDERS & DISABILITIES.... Focus on them for the ‘Well-being of Human-being’

Diseases, Disorders & Disabilities are particular abnormal conditions that negatively affect the structure or function of part or all of an organism, and that is not due to any external injury. They may be mental or physical and always require an immediate attention and sympathy for their cure. India Post has issued some Commemorative & Definitive Stamps to create ‘Awareness’ for these Diseases. Some such stamps are presented here.



ELECTION SYMBOLS...

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Election Symbol is a standardized symbol allocated to a Political Party. Indian Political Parties are classified as national, state or regional level parties. The status of the party is recorded by the Election Commission of India. These Symbols are used by political parties in their campaigning, and printed on ballot paper or marked on Electronic voting machine where a voter makes a mark to vote for the associated party. Their purpose is to facilitate voting by illiterate people, who cannot read parties' names on ballot papers or EVMs. India Post has issued some Postage Stamps which are not actually the stamps of Election Symbols; but however, give graphic glimpses of Election Symbols of various Political Parties. Some such stamps are presented here.



BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 1

BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 1 ...Gandhi Messages

India Post had provided the facility to put a Baseline Message at the bottom of the Computer generated receipts of Speed Post, Registered Letter, and Money Order during the period of 2000 to 2014. Such Baseline Messages were to be drafted within 30 letters including space in between the words. It is noteworthy that philatelists have got prepared such Baseline Slips with Gandhi Messages. This interesting landmark makes Postal history as the slip shows appropriate postage, usage date & creative messages. Some Baseline Message Slips are presented here.

Truth Alone will Endure - Gandhi - 02-10-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Service is Worship-Gandhiji - 26-12-2007 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Hate the Sin, Not the Sinner - 11-08-2010 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Hate the Sin Love the Sinner - 08-03-2006 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
My Life is My Message - 23-03-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Truth is God - MK Gandhi - 22-02-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Karenga Ya marenga - MK Gandhi - 08-08-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Do or Die Mahatma Gandhi - 8-8-42 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG

BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 3

BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 3 ...Greetings

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Makarsankranti/Pongal Greetings - 14-01-2006 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Merry - Christmas - 25-12-2006 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Greetings on Rakshabandhan - 16-08-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Valentine Greetings - 14-02-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Happy New Year - 01-01-2009 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	India Post Wishes Happy Diwali - 28-10-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Janmashtami Greetings - 27-08-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Greetings on Independence Day - 15-08-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG

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Communal Harmony will Save MKG - 10-09-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Truth-Non-violence-Silence = MKG - 15-09-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Satyahimsa-Shanti = M.K. Gandhi - 14-09-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Peace is its own Reward - MG - 13-09-2010 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Be the change day - Gandhi - 12-08-2010 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Sabko Samatti De Bhagwan-MKG - 30-01-2008 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Patience Lost is Battle Lost - 18-12-2007 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Masses Fight if Leaders Fight - 26-12-2007 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG

BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 4

BASELINE MESSAGES ON POSTAL RECEIPTS... Page 4 ...International Days

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Meatless Day Animal Rights Day - 25-11-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	May Day - Labour Day - 01-05-2006 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
Human Rights Day - 10-12-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	World Energy Day - 14-12-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
World Environment Day - 05-06-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	International Women's Day - 08-03-2006 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG
World Tourism Day - 27-09-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG	Intl Day of Peace - 150 Years - 21-09-2005 AMHEDABAD GPO (380001) PS-RLA B 7114 Counter No.1, OP-Code:5 To: K. P. BHAI, P. M. OFFICE NEW DELHI, PIN:110011 Postal Service, 18/07/2005, 11:57:43 COMMUNAL HARMONY WILL SAVE MKG

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In some countries, 'Black Prints' of stamps along with their details were issued by Postal Authorities for publicity. Similarly, it is observed that India Post also prepared 'Photo Prints' i.e. Black & White photographs (on Bromide paper used in photography) of stamps. These 'Photo Prints' were presenting the actual stamps with white/black cross marks either on the value or on words INDIA of the stamps. It is also noticed that in some few cases these cross marks were not there. It is also learnt that they were prepared by Security Press, Nasik and sent to India Post, New Delhi for onwards distribution to different philatelic societies, newspapers, philatelic magazines and other such Publication Houses for publicity prior to the issue of stamps. These 'Photo Prints' of upcoming stamps were sent to them along with their technical data for publishing the photos of stamps and other details for information of philatelists and general public. These types of publicity 'Photo Prints' have been seen from early 1947 till 2000 by many philatelists.

Here a few such 'Photo Prints' i.e. Black & White photographs (on Bromide paper used in photography) of stamps for Publicity are shown.

MAHATMA GANDHI-JAWAHARLAL NEHRU-SARADAR PATEL

Mahatma Gandhi
Mahatma Gandhi mourning Issue

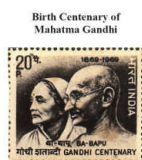
15-08-1948

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
Celebrating Birth Centenary

31-10-1975



27-05-1976



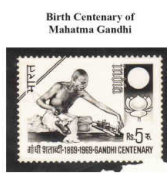
02-10-1969



02-10-1969



02-10-1969



02-10-1969

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GOVERNOR-GENERAL, PRESIDENTS & PRIME MINISTERS -

GOVERNOR GENERALS

Lord Mounbatten
(12-2-1947 to 21-6-1948)

28-08-1980

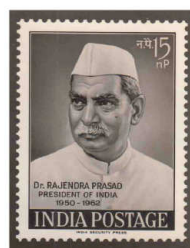
C Rajagopalachari
(21-6-1948 to 26-1-1950)

25-12-1973

C Rajagopalachari
(21-6-1948 to 26-1-1950)

10-12-1978

PRESIDENTS

Dr Rajendra Prasad
(26-1-1950 to 13-5-1962)

13-05-1962

Dr Radhakrishnan
(14-5-1962 to 13-5-1967)

05-09-1967

Dr Zakir Husain
(13-5-1967 to 3-5-1969)

11-06-1969

V V Giri
(24-8-1969 to 24-8-1974)

24-08-1974

PRIME MINISTERS

Jawaharlal Nehru
(15-8-1947 to 27-5-1964)

12-06-1964

Lal Bahadur Shastri
(9-6-1964 to 11-1-1966)

26-01-1966

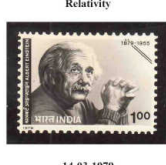
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SCIENTISTS

Alexander Graham Bell
Inventor of Telephone

10-03-1976

Albert Einstein
Developer of Theory of Relativity

14-03-1979

Srinivasa Ramanujan
Great Mathematician

22-12-1962

Dr. W.M. Haffkine
Microbiologist & Developer of Anti-Cholera Vaccine

16-03-1964

Nicolaus Copernicus
Renaissance-era Mathematician & Astronomer

21-07-1973

Marconi
Pioneer of Radio Transmission & Radio Telegraph

12-12-1974

Dr. Hansen
Discoverer of Leprosy Bacillus

21-07-1973

Homi Bhabha
Founder of Bhabha Atomic Research Center & Father of Indian Nuclear Program

04-08-1966

Jagdish Chandra Bose
Pioneer of Radio / Microwave Optics & Inventor of CRESCOGRAPH

30-11-1958

Vikram Sarabhai
Founder of Physical Research Laboratory & Father of India's Space Program

30-12-1972

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FOREIGN PERSONALITIES

Henri Dunant
Switzerland

08-05-1963

Eleanor Roosevelt
USA

10-12-1963

Abraham Lincoln
USA

15-04-1965

Maxim Gorky
Russia

28-03-1968

Dr. Martin Luther King
USA

25-01-1969

V.I. Lenin
Russia

22-04-1970

Bertrand Russell
UK

16-10-1972



21-07-1973

Max Mueller
Germany

15-07-1974

Nicholas Roerich
Russia

09-10-1974

Marconi
Italy

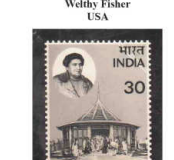
12-12-1974



02-10-1978

Schubert
Austria

25-12-1978

Welthy Fisher
USA

18-03-1980

Helen Keller
USA

27-06-1980



28-08-1980

BAZAR POST CARDS... ROYALTY - 1

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QUEEN VICTORIA



BAZAR POST CARDS... ROYALTY - 2

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KING EDWARD & QUEEN ALEXANDRA



PRIVATE COVERS...Page 1...Gandhi Covers ...15-8-1948

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PRIVATE COVERS...Page 2...Republic of India ...26-1-1950

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In early years after Independence, many Philatelists have prepared Private Covers with Creative & Colorful vision. India became Republic on 26-1-1950. To commemorate the auspicious event, India Post issued Commemorative Stamps. Many Collectors have prepared Private Covers on the occasion and got cancelled with postmark of 26-1-1950. A few covers are presented here.



PRIVATE COVERS...Page 3...Conquest of Mount Everest ...2-10-1953

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In early years after Independence, many Philatelists have prepared Private Covers with Creative & Colorful vision. The 1st Conquest of Mount Everest was a landmark event in 1953. India Post issued Commemorative Stamps to celebrate the event. Some Gandhi have prepared Private Covers. Some are presented here.



PRIVATE COVERS...Page 4...First War of Independence ...15-8-1957/16-8-1957

PRIVATE COVERS...Page 4...First War of Independence ...15-8-1957/16-8-1957

In early years after Independence, Philatelists have prepared Private Covers with Creative & Colorful vision. For First War of Independence, 15-8-1957/16-8-1957, both dates were notified as Official as at some places Post Offices were closed on 15th August, being public holiday to celebrate Independence Day. Some of them are presented here.



ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 1

ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS.....Page 1 Raja Rammohun Roy.....Date: 27-9-1964

Out of the three aspects (Stamps, Cachets & Cancellations) of First Day Covers, Cancellations or Postmarks give a touch of history to FDCs as they have name of place and date of issue in their design. Normally people affix the stamps or Se-tenants on FDC and get them cancelled. But a passionate philatelist can create an attractive cover by his artistic vision in arranging the stamps - Se-tenants and then obtaining the cancellations with his creativity. He may arrange stamps crossways, in pair or in arch form positioning vertical and horizontal stamps. Some such artistic and eye-catching FDCs prepared and got cancelled by a creative collector are presented here.

Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Four corner cancellations on one Diamond Shape Stamp affixed in centre

Cancellation: Bangalore
Dated: 27-9-1964



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Two up and down cancellations on strip of three Diamond Shape Stamps affixed cross way

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 27-9-1964



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Two corner cancellations & two centre cancellations on two Diamond Shape Stamps affixed in centre

Cancellation: New Delhi
Dated: 27-9-1964



ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 3

ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 3 Kambar.....Date: 5-4-1966

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Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Four corner cancellations on strip of two

Cancellation: New Delhi
Dated: 5-4-1966



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Two bottom side corner cancellations on strip of two

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 5-4-1966



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

One cancellation in centre on three stamps affixed in half round shape

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 5-4-1966



ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 2

ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS.....Page 2 1942 Quit India.....Date: 1-10-1967

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Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Four corner cancellations on vertical strip of two stamps affixed in centre

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 1-10-1967



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

One cancellation in centre on three stamps affixed in half round shape

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 1-10-1967



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Two up and down cancellations on strip of three stamps affixed cross way

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 1-10-1967



ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 4

ARTISTICALY CANCELLED STAMPS ON FDCS..... Page 4 Family Planning Week.....Date: 12-12-1966

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Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Four corner cancellations on Block of Four stamps

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 12-12-1966



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Four corner cancellations on vertical strip of two stamps affixed in centre

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 12-12-1966



Artistically Cancelled Stamps:

Two up and down cancellations on strip of three stamps affixed cross way

Cancellation: Madras
Dated: 12-12-1966



Praful Thakkar's Thematic Gallery of Indian Autographs

www.indianautographs.com

To give thematic dimension to the hobby of Autograph collection, he started with this website which represents a thematic Gallery of Indian/World Autographs. This is a unique site as it presents, for the first time, a galaxy of Autographs of Indian/World Celebrities in a very systematic and thematic way. However one can visit www.worldautographgallery.com to view autographs of only world celebrities of various fields.

On this website, one can find the autographs and photographs of more than 500 Padma awardees, 350 film personalities, 150 TV personalities, 200 cricket players, 120 Nobel Laureates, 360 world political celebrities and many more personalities.

As of today, this site is displaying more than 5400 autographs organized in 62 different thematic categories

The site is also a small step towards creation of world peace as it presents World Peace Messages received on request from various celebrities along with their autographs. They present clear vision and deep understanding of the celebrities and do project a vivid dimension to the subject of Autograph collection.

With reverence, respect and gratitude, autographs of Indian/World Celebrities, who have made landmark in their respective fields of art, science, technology, music, dance, sports, literature, films, business, fashion, service etc., are presented here. This Website is a humble effort to salute the honorable achievements of these celebrities.



Praful Thakkar's Thematic Gallery of Indian Philately

www.indianphilatelics.com

Philately is the King of Hobbies. This Website is an effort to introduce various treasure hoards of this king to philatelist friends in pursuit of their hobby of collecting and organizing Indian philatelic material. It has an Exotic Gallery and Gateway to Indian Philately presenting its various Facets and Checklists including creative philately useful to philatelists. Apart from regular features and facets of Philately, Exhibits and Creative Philately presented here, are two decorative and charismatic ornamental jewelry of this invaluable Philately-treasure. Exhibits including Virtual Exhibits will enable those who are collecting on similar subjects as a reference material. While Creative Philately will show the creativity, efforts, understanding and vision of the philatelist in making such self fulfilling Creative Philately. The Site is dedicated to promote, share and encourage study of Indian Philately by providing information on different aspects.

Gallery of Indian Philately - A View from Praful Thakkar's Window

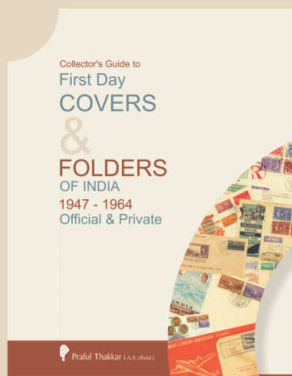
This Website is presenting some facets of Indian Philately viewed by him from his window. As a collector of various collectibles, he has faced many difficulties in collecting, understanding and arranging the collection. At the same time he realized that the same may be happening to new collectors and they might be facing similar hurdles too. To overcome such situations and to encourage philatelists and hobbyists, he has made the attempt of launching this Website.



One Page, One Theme - Philatelic Bouquet of Creative Presentations

In this book or compilation, Stamps and sometimes FDCs or other philatelic material is arranged theme wise with limit of 'One Page' or if necessary extension of the same Theme in 'One Page' format only. As the 'Theme' is the common binding and highlighting factor, this exhibit of 'One Page' will enable one to build his Stamp collection Theme wise. Due to constraint in book pages, approximately 150 Themes are presented in more than 250 one page presentations in 68 pages. Collectors can build many more One Page Themes likewise.

Other Publications



Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders of India 1947- 1964 Official & Private

This starting period of Indian Philately immediately after Independence, is highly fascinating and attracting because of variety of FDCs with various sizes, color shades, cancellation marks, legends and creative designs which are appropriate to the theme of respective stamps. In this book an effort is made to illustrate more than 250 Private First Day Covers (including 24 Private FDCs of Gandhi), about 80 Official FDCs, 70 Folders, Presentation Folders & Souvenir Albums along with FDCs of Indian Army Postal Service and Overprinted Military Postage stamps of 1947 - 1964.



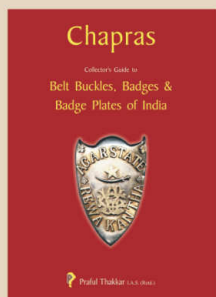
Collector's Guide to British India Bazar Postcards

Bazar Postcards of British India is a fascinating section of Indian Postal stationery which has colors, creativity and charisma. They were created during British period by dealers who knew the pulse of the masses. In this book, an effort is made to present more than 1000 Bazar Postcards (with rarity mark and value) with pictures in different varieties of British Royalty, Indian Princely State Rulers, Ravi Varma paintings-oleographs and Other Themes with further classification of color, creativity, calligraphy and design.



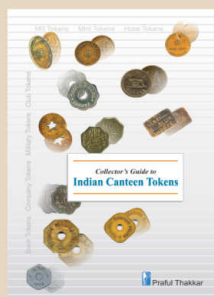
Collector's Guide to First Day Covers & Folders with Set of Stamps, Se-tenant Stamps & Miniature Sheets

This book is a Priced Catalogue showing Value of FDCs & Folders with Set of Stamps, Se-tenant Stamps and Miniature sheets. It has fully colored 200 pages and it covers period of 1947 to 2012. It contains more than 1000 colored illustrations of FDCs and Folders along with VIP folders, Presentation folders, Souvenir Albums etc.



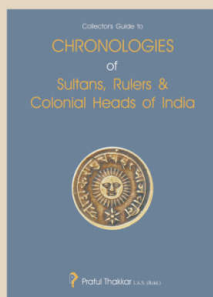
Chapras-Collector's Guide to Belt Buckles, Badges & Badge Plates of India

This is a book that gives a thematic dimension to the hobby of collecting early Belt Buckles, Badges and Badge Plates as they depict history of British India and Indian Princely States. They indicate the identity or the Authority on whose behalf they are issued. The Guide catalogues about 630 such badges etc along with their photos.



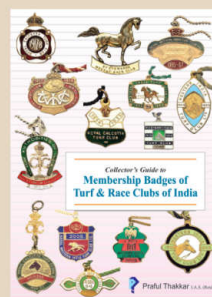
Collector's Guide to Indian Canteen Tokens

Indian Canteen Tokens were metallic tokens issued by various establishments like mills, mints, military, railways, banks, clubs, hotels, companies, factories, co-operatives etc. for use in their own premises only. This reference guide illustrates with photos such 295 Indian Canteen Tokens.



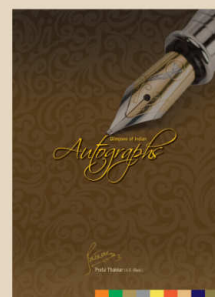
Collector's Guide to Chronologies of Sultans, Rulers & Colonial Heads of India

It is a compilation that gives chronological rule periods of various Muslim Heads, Rulers of Indian Princely States and colonies of Danish, Portuguese, British etc. This reference guide will be of much use to the collectors in pursuit of their numismatic hobby.



Collector's Guide to Membership Badges of Turf & Race Clubs of India

This is a reference work of membership badges issued by the Indian race/turf club authorities viz. Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Bangalore and Hyderabad to their members. These badges were colorful and were artistically made with exquisite workmanship. The Guide gives a historical background of racing in India and catalogues colored photos of about 260 badges.



Glimpses of Indian Autographs

This is a hard bound fully colored book of 280 pages. The book gives glimpses of the autographs of eminent Indian personalities of various fields. The book contains around 600 autographs in 8 major groups which are further divided in 42 different categories in which autographs and photographs of the celebrities are presented. An alphabetically arranged Index at the end gives basic details and information about the celebrity.