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JHINGANS JOTTINGS

Hi

The migration to a new server of the Stamps of India group of websites is still in progress. Meanwhile the updating is withheld and consequently you may have to wait some more for the visual links to this issue being available at the site. We aim to be up to date once the server migration is complete, kindly bear with us till then.

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

- M&SJ

Our thanks to the Contributors and Sources to this issue: Rajesh K Agarwala, and Manohar Lal

We invite your inputs, please email to writeback@stampsofindia.com

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If you've found this newsletter useful, recommend it to a friend. Better still, forward a copy of this issue. Also, please mention this newsletter when contacting other philatelists.

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

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

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAMP POLL 2005 - VOTE & WIN

Don't forget to vote for your favorite stamp of 2005. Please select from the commemorative and definitive stamps issued in 2005 displayed at <http://www.stampsofindia.com/other/stamppoll.htm>

FORTHCOMING STAMP ISSUES

Feb 12: President's Review of Fleet, set of 4 stamps, Rs 5 each

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

For an illustrated list of stamps in 2006, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/2006stamps.htm>

NEW MEGHDOOT POSTCARDS

Following Meghdoot post cards with advertisement were recently released:

Anti AIDS,

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

ARMY POSTAL SERVICE ISSUES

Feb 1: 133 Field Regiment

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/pmk/aps/2006aps.htm>

RECENT SPECIAL POSTMARKS & COVERS

Jan 16: Kolkata, Mining Geological & Metallurgical Institute of India

For an illustrated list of special postmarks and covers in 2006, please visit <http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/pmk/2006pm.htm>

NEW STAMP BOOKLETS

Jan 20: Coimbatore, Tigers  
Jan 20: Coimbatore, Elephants  
Jan 20: Coimbatore, Birds

<http://www.stampsofindia.com/lists/sb.htm>

19TH ASIAN INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION

The Emirates Philatelic Association (EPA) and the Emirates Post will hold the 19th Asian International (FIAP) Stamp Exhibition under the patronage of Federation of Inter-Asian Philately (FIAP) in conjunction with the 12th GCC Stamp Exhibition from November 13 to 16 2006 in Dubai to promote every aspect of philately in the region. The Exhibition will cover Traditional, Postal History, One Frame and Literature Classes.

The 19th Asian International Stamp Exhibition was granted FIAP patronage by the Congress held at Bangkok in 2003.

The exhibitors from more than 30 countries will be participating and (45) Stands will be available for rental to the Dealers and Postal Administrations.

For further details please contact the Emirates Philatelic Association  
PO Box 33333, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, epa@epa.ae  
Fax: 00971 43479981

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RECENT & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Feb 1-15: New Delhi, Railways through Stamps
Venue: Rail Museum, Chanakyapuri

Feb 11-12: Bangalore, Philex-06, District Philatelic Exhibition
Venue: Common Entrance Test Cell Building, 18th Cross, Malleswaram
Contact: 0 80-23324751
Dealer booths are available for Rs 1500
Two special covers will be released

Feb 11-12: Udupi,
Venue: Haridwara Auditorium, Hotel Kediyoor,
Organizers: Dakshina Kannada Philatelic and Numismatics Association
Contact: Sudhakar Devadiga, Office of the superintendent of posts, Head Post
Office, Udupi or President DKPNA 99452 71614

Feb 23-24: New Delhi, West Delhi District Philatelic Exhibition
Venue: Rail Museum, Chanakyapuri

Feb: Hyderabad, Army Postal Service

Mar 10-12: Mumbai, STAMCO 2006 7th Coin Stamp Bank Note Exhibition
Venue: Lakhamshi Napoo Hall, L Napoo Road, Near Matunga C R Station, Matunga
Dealers' booths available at Rs 3000
Contact: Suketu Jhaveri 0 98201 99714

Mar: Kamptee, Army Postal Service

For a list of exhibitions in 2006, please visit
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/events.htm>

MEETINGS

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

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RECENT PERIODICAL PUBLICATIONS

VADOPHIL, Whole # 102-103, Apr Jul 2005  
VADOPHIL, Whole # 104-105, Oct 2005 Jan 2006  
Editor: Prashant H Pandya & Timir R Shah  
Publisher: Baroda Philatelic Society  
Address: "Jaya", Dala Patel's Pole, Narsinhji Pole, Vadodara 390 001  
Annual Subscription: Rs.150 or US \$10

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

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VIEWS & OPINIONS

READERS FORUM

<Dear Reader, Your feedback is important to us as it helps evolve the newsletter. Please send us have your thoughts and suggestions.>

JAYDEV NANSEY

I recently got the FDC of 16 Squadron. The cancellation shows the hooded cobra coiled in such a fashion that it hardly looks nowhere close to a snake and there is a bomb below it. Being a heraldist - one who studies symbols - such an act is blasphemy for us. Could you please bring this to the notice to the authorities and seek an explanation?

The philatelists must bring to the attention of Dept of Post the errors they commit in designing philatelic products.

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FEATURES & RESOURCES

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

Report Cyber Crime & Internet Fraud related to Indian Philately
<http://www.stampsofindia.com/infobase/cybercrime.htm>

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

INDIAN POSTAL GUIDE 1869

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

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

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