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The first Indian Tramway !

A Bullock Tram was started between Dabhoi and Miyagam by Maharaja Khanderao Gaekwad of Baroda State in February 1862. It was the first such attempt by a native ruler anywhere in British dominions. Two Oxen were used to haul the train.

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Dear Friends,

The whole world is celebrating 150 years of Mahatma Gandhi by issuing postage stamps in different denominations of their currencies. The Indian Postal Department – India Post is not only celebrating the occasion but minting money by issuing high value postage stamps and special covers in quantity on the Mahatma Gandhi. India Post has issued 17 postage stamps which have a face value of Rs. 370 and Miniature Sheets of RS. 330 in between 2nd October 2018 to 2nd October 2019.

India Post have issued hundreds of special covers on the Mahatma Gandhi from their different Postal Circles in this year of celebration.

India Post is taking advantage of weakness of the philatelists. They know that these blind collectors of Gandhi theme will buy anything, and everything issued on Gandhi by them.

We collectors are not realizing that how these hundreds of special covers on Mahatma Gandhi can be used to prepare an exhibit.

After a few months when we collectors would realise the glaring mistake, it would be too late to repair the same.

So, dear friends be cautious and think what and why we are collecting or spending out hard earned money.

Jai Philately.

- Prashant Pandya
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New Life Member

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New Associate Member

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New Addition to Library

1. Philcent India 2018-19 by Shri P. C. Jaiswal.
2. One Page, One Theme, (Philatelic Bouquet of Creative Presentations) by Shri Praful Thakkar IAS (Retd.)
3. Phil India 2019-20 by Shri Manik Jain.
4. Mahatma Gandhi Stamps of Truth (1948-2019) by Shri Vijay Sheth

Acknowledgments

1. SIGNET: Vol 41 No.4 Jan-Mar 2019.
2. Rainbow Stamp News (e-Bulletin): Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov. 2019.
3. Ananthapuri Stamp Bulletin (e-Bulletin): Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov. 2019.
4. Deccan Philatelists (e-Bulletin) Vol 19, No. 2, 3, 2019.
5. RSEC Newsletter Vol. VII, Jul 2019 Issue II.

Philatelic Display

A "Stamp Exhibition" and My stamp Drive was conducted at INS

We are thankful to our following members for Page Sponsorship for this issue:

- ▶ Shri Askok Kumar Bayanwala, Ahmedabad
- ▶ Imtiaz Chauhan, Vadodara
- ▶ Dr. Arun Arya, Vadodara
- ▶ Shri. Dhirubhai Mehta, Mumbai
- ▶ Shri D. K. Punekar, Vadodara
- ▶ Dr. Punit S. Dixit, Nadiad

Valsura, with an objective to promote philately amongst the younger generation. Our Associate Member Shri Ashok D. Pandya of Jamnagar had exhibited his stamp collection at INS Valsura, Jamnagar. Exhibition was inaugurated by Commodore C. Raghuram, V.S.M., C.O., INS Valsura. Suptd. Of Post, Sh. T. N. Malik was also present on the occasion.

Our members Markand Dave, Punit Dixit and Ramakant Dave exhibited their collection on Mahatma Gandhi at Ahmedabad on 1st to 3rd October 2019 at Exhibition Gallery, NID, Paldi, Ahmedabad on the occasion of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

Those who wish to send their surplus material for Vadophil Auction may please contact Shri Timir Shah, Secretary, Baroda Philatelic Society.

Membership Information

Ordinary Membership

(Ordinary Membership is restricted to the residents of Baroda City and Baroda district only.)

Admission Fees: ₹ 100/-
Annual Fees (Adults): ₹ 200/-
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(Associate Membership is available to residents of India and abroad)

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PCI Seminar at Nadiad

The Gujarat Philatelists Association in co-operation with Baroda Philatelic Society, Anand Philatelic Association & Kheda District Philatelic Association had organized Seminar on Saturday, 6th April 2019 in association with Philatelic Congress of India (PCI) at Nadiad.

Four different Presentations were given by different speakers.

1. Mr. Prashant Pandya - "One Frame Exhibits"
2. Mr. Piyush Khaitan - "The 1948 Air-India International postage stamp issue"
3. Mr. Abhishek Bhuwarka - "Use of Literature in Research"
4. Mr. Markand Dave - "Danish Settlements in India"

Various one frame exhibits were also on display at the venue.

19th RPSL Meeting at Vadodara

19th Royal Philatelic Society, London was jointly held with Baroda Philatelic in the Express Hotel, Vadodara on 12th May 2019. The meeting was well attended by nearly 30 members.

Mr. Prashant Pandya, President of Baroda Philatelic Society welcomed the members and guests. He gave brief introduction and information about Baroda Philatelic Society and its activities.

Mr. Markand Dave gave brief introduction of Royal Philatelic

Society, London and its activities. Mr. Dave also informed the members and guest about the upcoming exhibition STOCKHOLMIA 2019.

During the Meeting presentation on three subjects were made by Eric Scherer (Zurich) and Markand Dave.

Eric Scherer made detailed presentation on French Settlement in India, Early Postal History till Adhesive Stamps. His second presentation was on French Settlement in India Peculiarities of Philately & Postal History.

The second speaker of the meeting was Markand Dave FRPSL who spoke on 1929 Air Mail Stamps of India and the drawing competition for the stamp, where 77 participants took part and Mr. G Grant was the winner, He also shown the drawing submitted by Mr. Stephen H Smith, which was the Entry No. 1 (The first drawing for the competition) however he didn't win.

Mr. Prashant Pandya presented beautiful mementos to both the speakers on behalf of Baroda Philatelic Society. The memento has the iconic image of Vad which means Banyan tree, Odra means city, the city of Banyan tree – Vadodara (Old name of the city, now known as Baroda).

The meeting was followed by delicious Indian Lunch with range of varieties.

Philatelic Workshop

Timir R. Shah, Secretary of Baroda Philatelic Society, conducted two philatelic workshops at BABS School (English Medium & Gujarati Medium), at Bardoli, Surat on 22nd July 2019. Philatelic Workshop was organised by Sh. Nitin Yeola, SSP Bardoli Division, Vadodara Region to promote Philately in the region and to create awareness about Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana to school children. Both the Workshops were well attended by students and teachers.

On the spot Quiz was also conducted and prizes were given to the Winners by Dept. of Post.





Annual General Body Meeting and Governing Council for 2019 - 2020

Annual General Body meeting of Baroda Philatelic Society was held at Hotel Tansha Regency, Old Padra Road, Vadodara on 22nd September 2019. The following Governing Council members were elected.

President: Shri Prashant H. Pandya
 Vice President: Shri Suresh Thakkar
 Hon. Secretary/Librarian : Shri Timir R. Shah
 Joint Secretary: Shri Mohan P. Vaze
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 Members: 1. Shri R. U. Dave & 2. Shri Mihir R. Shah
 Internal Auditors: Shri Yogesh K. Shah and Shri Digant R. Mehta
 Office Co-Ordinator: Smt. Parul H. Shah
 Dr. Punit S. Dixit was nominated as Co-Opt member to Governing Council of Baroda Philatelic Society.

Shri Prashant Pandya gave presentation on "Philatelic Elements for Thematic Exhibits". Shri Timir Shah gave presentation on Sweet Memories of Baroda Philatelic Society.

Congratulations to our members

We congratulate our following members for winning awards at various philatelic exhibitions.

Stampex 2019:

1. Shri Markand Dave, Gold, King George V Airmail Issues of India
2. Shri Pragya Jain, Large Vermeil, The King George V issues of India

Stockholmia 2019:

1. Shri Pragya Jain, Gold, Study of first issues of India.
2. Shri Markand Dave, Vermeil, 1929 Airmails Stamps of India.

China 2019:

1. Shri Pragya Jain, Large Vermeil, Mother Earth.

Sydney Stamp and Coin Expo 2019:

1. Shri Rahul Ganguly, Silver Bronze, Early Cancellations / Postmarks of Allahabad.

Vadophil won Silver Medal at New Zealand Philatelic Literature Exhibition 2019

16th New Zealand Philatelic Literature Exhibition 2019 was hosted by the Christchurch (NZ) Philatelic Society Inc on 28th September 2019 at Philatelic Centre, Christchurch, New Zealand. Our newsletter 'Vadophil' has won Silver Medal at this exhibition. All entries were on display at the Literature Exhibition in Christchurch, NZ on 28th Sept. 2019 and will be forwarded to the NZ2020 FIAP Exhibition in Auckland next year, either as competitive entries or on display. 

Realisation of Auction No. 33:

Lot nos.: 2, 25, 75, 78: ₹55; 5, 21, 87: ₹ 135; 6, 96: ₹110; 9, 16, 48, 62, 74: ₹50; 11, 63, 79, 80, 81, 113: ₹100; 13: ₹65; 14, 15, 17, 18, 57, 117: ₹60; 22: ₹120; 27: ₹75; 28, 29: ₹125; 30: ₹500; 33: ₹200; 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42: ₹300; 36, 39: ₹550; 43, 44, 45, 46, 54, 58, 60, 69, 92, 94, 97: ₹40; 50, 55, 86, 88, 101, 105: ₹150; 51: ₹ 35; 76: ₹175/- , 90: ₹700; 91: ₹400; 95: ₹425; 98: ₹65; 100: ₹800.

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That the Government of the Princely State of Mysore has its own Service Postcard and letter sheet that these postal stationery were accepted by the Indian Post Office as valid for use within the state are facts which are not widely known to the philatelist collectors of Postal Stationery or students of Indian Postal History. The circumstances of the birth of this postcard and letter sheet and certain facets of their use are given in this article.

On 12th July 1886, the Anche Bakshi put up a proposal to the Chief Secretary through the Dewan of Mysore for the introduction of an Anche (Post) card. The proposal was as under:

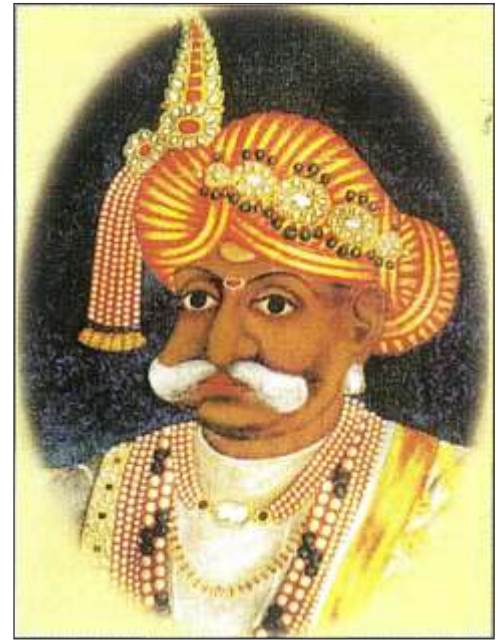
1. I have the honour to submit that, pending the introduction of the label system into the Province, it is feasible to introduce the system of Anche (Post) cards by means of which the public in Mysore would be greatly benefited and a great convenience placed within the reach of all. My proposal is to have a card about the same size as an Imperial Post Card with the words Mysore State (Post) Card printed on one side which being supplied to Anche Mutsaddis etc. could be sold to the public at the low rate of one pie. These cards being made use of for correspondence, would be charged at the reduced rate of 2 pies for postage the same procedure now in force with regard to letters being adopted for the card.

2. The Superintendent of Government Press with whom I consulted on the subject says that he can supply the number of cards required and the cost of each card, it is hoped, will not exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ a pie. By appropriate devices these cards could be prevented from being counterfeited.

3. The cards can also be used for Official correspondence. As desired by the Dewan, a specimen of the proposed Anche card was sent to him on 17th July. He observed, on 18th August, that the specimen was not such as could be adopted. He stated further that "It must bear a regular stamp, with value thereof etc. The proposed compromise between the stamp and cash systems must be inconvenient. The introduction of a label system will shortly receive consideration."

On 24th September the Anche Bakshi was able to produce for the Dewan's approval specimen cards bearing the proposed Mysore label and submitted by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons of the U. K. The cost of the cards would be Rs. 3 per 1000 for not less than 250,000 at time. Apparently the Dewan was satisfied by the specimen card, for he wrote to the Resident in Mysore on 2nd November 1886 :

"I have the honour to request to be informed whether there would be any objection to the Darbar using in super session of the present Anche payment system, their own postage labels of the pattern herewith forwarded. I beg to add that His Highness' Government consider the change above proposed highly desirable, but it is not their wish to resort to it, if there be any prospect of the Director General of Post Offices being able to agree, as regards Mysore, to



▲ Maharaja Mumtaz Ali Wodeyar (1799 - 1831), The young Maharaja Mumtaz Ali Wodeyar took independent charge of Mysore State in 1811. Until then, Maharani Lakshammanni and Dewan Purnaiya guided the young prince to steer the affairs of the kingdom.

an arrangement such as has been entered into by the Imperial Postal Department with the Patiala State."

The matter was not pursued any further probably because the question of a Postal Convention or in the alternative, the merger of Anche into the Indian Post was under active consideration. And thus the first proposal for the introduction of an Anche card got buried unceremoniously.

THE ABOLITION OF ANCHE:

After protracted negotiations it was decided in December 1888 that the Anche system will cease to be and that the Director General of the Post Office of India will take over the management and control of postal arrangements in the Mysore State effect from 1st April 1889, and that from that date all postal arrangements in the Province will be transferred to the Imperial Postal Department. An important provision in the agreement was as under:

"Official correspondence of the State will, from 1st April 1889, be carried within the limits of the Province, free of cost, by the Imperial Postal

Department in the same way as such correspondence is now carried by the Local Anche. Official correspondence of the State will be carried beyond the limits of the province at the official rates of postage prevailing in the Imperial Postal Department."



▲ The Obelisk: British victory monument in Srirangapatna

A CIVIL SERVANT TAKES THE INITIATIVE:

The Residency in Mysore addressed the following letter to the Dewan on 28th August 1893:

"It has been brought to the Resident's notice that post cards purporting to be "Mysore Government Service Post Cards", of which a specimen to be returned in enclosed for the information of the Durbar, are now being posted in the Post Office at Bangalore.

"I am to refer you to the correspondence on this subject ending with Maj. Ravenshaw's letter no. 2147-5-9 dated 18th July 1891, which pointed out that the previous orders of the Government of India were necessary before service post card could be introduced into the Mysore State, and in which it was requested that a revised specimen of the proposed Service Card should be submitted for transmission to the Government of India.

On enquiry it came out that Mr. H. Grover, the Superintending Engineer and Secretary to the Government for Railways, had taken the initiative in the matter. On 6th May 1891, Mr. Grover had sent the following note to the Dewan.

Proceeding on personal instructions from the Dewan on the 17th ultimo, while accompanying him from Bangalore by rail to Closepett, the enclosed specimen of the proposal Mysore Government Post Card was printed at my request by the Superintendent, Mysore Government Press. But happening to meet the Post Master General of Madras shortly after, that officer observed that the circulation of the post card without the previous knowledge and consent of the Director General of Post Offices, Government of India, would be irregular and result in postage being levied.

I then wrote to Officiating Postmaster General, asking him if, to save delay, he could arrange to obtain his Director General's sanction, demi-Officially or otherwise and his reply is enclosed.

"it is therefore solicited that the question at this stage may be taken up in the Department of the Chief Secretary.

Apparently, the early introduction and use of the Service Post Cards (which can be readily printed at the Mysore Government Press) depends merely on a formal reference to the Resident with specimen of the proposed card."

The reply from Offg. PMG Madras dated 2.5.1891 was as under:

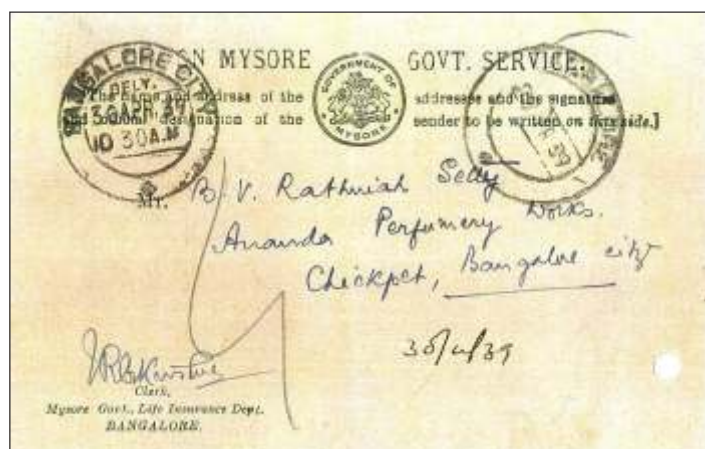
"I have looked into the matter of the Mysore Government's intention to issue service post cards for the use of its officers. No possible objection can be raised to it and the convenience of such a mode of official communication is patent to every one, but it will be unavoidably necessary that the introduction of these postcards should be with the previous knowledge and concurrence of the Imperial P. O. as the whole postal administration in Mysore rests with it and it has the right to know of any innovation, however trifling. This must be done officially through the normal channel and instruction will have to be issued to all Post Offices or else the post cards will not circulate but will be charged with postage and it would be irregular for me to issue such instruction upon demi-official intimation. Nor do I consider myself competent to move in the matter at all without the approval of the Head of my Department which should be obtained in regular official course by me."

A formal Note was accordingly sent by the Chief Secretary to the Residency on 15/18, May 1891 requesting that permission of the Imperial Postal Department may be obtained to the introduction of the proposed post card in the province. The proposed specimen has provision for entering the signature and official designation of the sender on the face or address side of the card. As the imperial post card has provided for this on the reverse side, the PMG at Madras advised the Resident that

the proposed card may be suitably modified. The Residency, in turn, advised the Dewan on 16th July 1891 to forward a revised specimen card for submission to the Government of India.

Apparently, the matter rested there without any further action until early in 1893 when Mr. Grover chanced to discuss the matter with the Superintendent of Post Offices, Bangalore. According to Mr. Grover, 'I understood that officer to say that there could be no possible objection to their use under the arrangement by which all official correspondence on Mysore Government Service in this State if properly franked etc. is exempted from postal fees.' Mr. Grover did not lose much time in launching forth his baby. 'I proceeded to use the card with the personal knowledge of the Dewan about two months ago.' Mr. Grover expressed regret for the occurrence which was due to misunderstanding and dutifully suspended the use of the cards pending formal sanction of the Government of India.

The Chief Secretary wrote as follows to the Residency on 7/8.0.93 for the required sanction.



▲ Mysore State Service Post Card with Government of Mysore Insignia and 'On MYSORE GOVT. SERVICE' printed at the top. Lemon Yellow Colour Postcard Size 14.2 x 9 cm.



▲ The Mysore State Service Post Card without the Government Insignia and 'On Mysore Government Service' under lined (Type 1). White Colour, Size 14.2 x 9 cm.

"In reply to your letter no. 2910/5.89 dated 28th ultimo regarding the unauthorized use of service post cards by the Superintending Engineering for Railways, I am directed to forward for the information of the Resident extract from Mr. Grover's memo dated 30th ultimo explaining how the cards happened to be used.

"The post cards can be made up at the Mysore Government Press. They can be of the same size and thickness as the East India Service Post card of the British Postal Service. On the face of it may be printed the words 'On Mysore Government Service only.' No stamp need be impressed as no value is payable. As to the signature and official designation of the sender, the Durbar consider that it would be more convenient to allow of these being written on the address side of the card rather than on the correspondence side, as by adopting the former course there would be economy of space and there would also be saved to the postal officials the trouble of turning the card to see whether it has been used by public servant competent to use it. If, however, the Postal Department are of different opinion there is no objection to requiring the name and designation of the sender being written on the correspondence side of the card and in that case, to print below the words, 'On Mysore Government Service only' the following instruction which is now printed on 'East India Service Post Card':

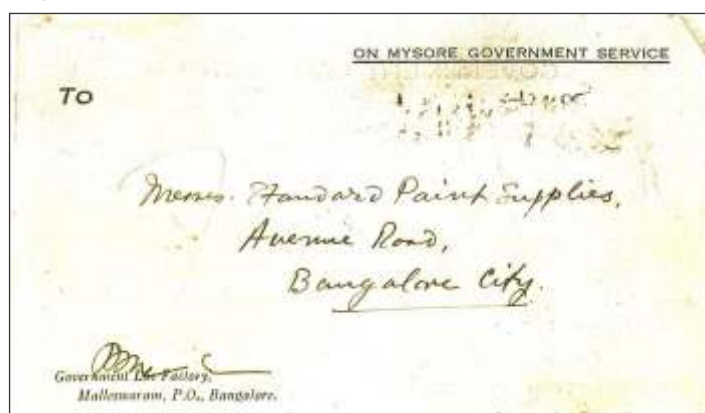
The address only to be written on this side; the signature and official designation of the sender must be written on the reverse. "THESE POST CARDS 'On the Mysore Government Service only' will be used for correspondence within the Mysore State."

On 7th December 1893 the Dewan was advised that the Resident was prepared to recommend to the Government of India the adoption of the Service Card as proposed by the Durbar for correspondence within the State and that the signature and designation of the sender may be on the face or address side as proposed. The Dewan was requested to forward a pattern card. This was sent on 12.2.1894 and the sanction of Government of India was communicated on 27th March 1894. The card was formally introduced with effect

from 1st September 1894. The Government order announcing the introduction made it clear that the circulation of these postcards is confined to the limits of the Mysore State. They should not therefore be addressed to places situated outside those limits.



▲ The Mysore State Service Post Card without the Government Insignia and 'On Mysore Government Service' underlined (Type 2), Brown Colour, Size 13.7 x 9 cm.



▲ Letter Sheet with 'ON MYMRE GOVERNMENT SERVICE' underlined and printed at the top. Top flap perforated (arrow)

We have seen how the initiative taken by Superintending Engineer for Mysore Railways led to the introduction of the Mysore Government Service Post Card. A bit of a fuss, it may be remembered, had been made in 1891 by the Indian Post Office about the proposal to place the inscription pertaining to the signature and designation of the sender on the address side. And, yet in 1894 no such objection was raised. This was because the Government of India were themselves planning to effect such a

change in their own 'East India Service Post Card.' This change was effected in 1894. It is reasonable to presume that the rationale of the Mysore Government proposal impressed the Director General of Post Office and that, in turn, led to the introduction of the new card. In spite of strict restrictions Post Cards are printed in various colour papers: white, brown, grey, lemon yellow colours. Example of a letter sheet is also shown. The Rules and regulations for the use of ANCHE letter sheet are the same as applied to the Post Cards. Date of issue of Anche letter sheet is not known to the author.

I am illustrating three Mysore Government Service Post Cards – one with the Government insignia and the other two without.

Post Card size vary from 13.7 x 9 cm to 14.2 x 9 cm with and without the Government of Mysore Insignia. Letter Sheet is 19 x 16.5 cm with a single flap at the top, with perforations. On top, to right hand size is printed 'ON MYMRE GOVERNMENT SERVICE.' All letter sheets in my collection are without Mysore Government Insignia.

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India Post New Issues




India's one of the greatest historian Dr. Ramesh Chandra Majumdar does not need any introduction about his pioneering research in writing authentic & accurate history of India. In 1955 he established the college of Indology of Nagpur University & joined as its Principal.

He had an illustrious academic career which remains unrivalled till today. In order to compile an accurate & comprehensive history of freedom struggle of India, Govt. Of India set up a committee with Dr. Majumdar its principal member. But subsequently due to difference of opinion Dr. Majumdar left this assignment & wrote his own book - "The Sepoy Mutiny & Revolt of 1857 ". He firmly believed in the principle that a historians tasks is to ascertain & establish truth leaving aside all kind of legends, half cooked stories in the guise of information not based on solid acceptable & in controvertible evidence. He was uncompromising in this matter. Bur few people are aware of the fact that his brilliant book on Sepoy Mutiny had played a significant role in the issue of 2 postage stamps in 1957 – on the occasion of Centenary Celebration of India's first war of Independence.

As principal of the college of Indology Nagpur in 1955 he wrote a letter to Sri. Jadugopal Mukhopadhyaya, a great revolutionary in India's Freedom Struggle informing him that in the Centenary Year of Sepoy Mutiny, The Postal Department has decided to release commemorative postage stamps on Tatya Tope, Nana Saheb & Bahadur Shah the last Mughal king. This was the time our First

Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was reading Dr. Majumdar's well researched book on Sepoy Mutiny. As soon as Pandit Nehru finished his reading, he summoned the postal department high ups & issued direction – only Rani Laxmibai of Jhansi & none else. This decision was given effect to in toto by India Post. An eminent & believer in trust historian Dr. Ramesh Chandra Majumdar left an indelible impression in the contemporary political action & decision. This is indeed an unknown gem of Indian Philately.

Source Material: Dr. Ramesh Chandra Majumdar's recently published Autobiography, JIBANER SMRITI DEEPE 



Presentation of Vadophil at Maerchenposta 2019.



Reader of Vadophil and our well wisher Mr. Wolfgang Beyer, member of the German Philatelic Group ArGe Zoologie presented Vadophil at the philatelic exhibition MAERCHENPOSTA 2019 held on 27th and 28th July 2019 in Hofgeismar, Germany.

At left Mr. Ulrich Reinhardt, Manager of German philatelic collector group Hofgeismar 1932 and at right Mr. Wolfgang Beyer, member of the German Philatelic Group ArGe Zoologie.

Express Delivery (ED) System, which was introduced on 1st December 1930 in India, was abolished on & from 1st November 1974.

Express Delivery Envelopes were printed time to time – 28 paise envelope was issued on 11th May 1964, 40 paise envelope was issued on 26th March 1970 and 40 paise commercial size envelope was issued on 7th September 1970. It appears that a huge quantity of 28 paise ED Covers were printed because a large quantity was



found with Post Offices after ED was abolished.

Hence 28 paise envelopes were issued / found with 2 Paise Stamp when E.D. rate was increased from 13 paise to 15 paise. Then with 12 paise stamps when ED rate was increased with letter mail rate from 15 paise + 15 paise to 20 paise + 20 paise Lastly with 17 paise stamps. When letter mail rate was increased from 20 paise to 25 paise only.

After abolition of Express Delivery, special stationery of Express Delivery became non usable. Therefore the reminder stock of Express Delivery Covers were over-printed by all Postal Circles. Madhya Pradesh circle became first to overprint 25 paise on these Express Delivery envelopes, by deleting the words "Express Delivery" and thus converting them into ordinary envelopes of 25 paise.

40 paise Express Delivery covers were overprinted & issued by Gujarat Circle on 9th June 1975. 28 paise envelopes were overprinted & issued on 28th June 1975.

Two mint examples are shown here. The first one is with 2 paise stamp and the second has 17 paise stamps. The amount of stamps was not considered when the envelope was converted into ordinary envelope of 25 paise.

Gujarat circle overprinted even those Express Delivery envelopes which had extra postage stamps on them, and sold these envelopes for 25 paise only though these cover had 2 paise or 12 paise or 17 paise postage stamps on them. It means that the stamps on such E.D. envelopes were demonetized by India Post. If they are demonetized, how to decipher them? If they are posted, the stamps would be counted as postage stamps because they do not have any defacing marks.

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Stamps on such covers either bear a surcharge of stars or alphabet "T" of 'Twenty'.

The particular of these stamps is as follows 2 Paise Bidriware – D 70 of Jain, 0.06 Konark Elephant – D 74 of Jain, 0.15 Tea plucking – D77 of Jain and 3 paise of Map Series – D 40 of Jain.

Now the question arises what is the locus standi of these stamps which bears either 'T' of Twenty-five or a portion of stars which were used to Cancel the words Express Delivery? Are they demonatised stamps or will form a new class of stamps?



▲ Posted on 22-12-1977



▲ Posted on 17-11-1978

Two used examples are shown here, which shows a block of 4 of 3 paise stamps and a pair of 6 paise stamp. Which have overprints of either star or 'T', were considered in payment of registered post.

Before concluding, I request the readers of this article, to give their views on these express delivery envelopes. Which have extra postage stamps, not considered while converting them in ordinary 25 paise envelopes.

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1. PACHBADRA SALT LINES

Pachbadra (Pachpadra) is a village located in the Barmer district of Rajasthan (former Rajputana) State. Jaipur (Jeypore) is located 370 Km. from Pachbadra. Nearest Railway Station, Balotra is 10 Km. from Pachbadra. Geographical Co-ordinates of Pachbadra are 25.9195486 N, 72.2554064 E.

Pachbadra Lake is a salt water lake lies near the town of Pachbadra. The lake comprises 98% Sodium Chloride and produces very high-quality salt. There are sixteen salt water lakes in Rajasthan, largest among them is Sambhar Lake. The salt in Rajasthan is wind-born or cyclic salt that is salt was carried inland by the breeze which blows from the Arabian Sea. Salt is concentrated in the lake basins by being carried there by flowing water, which is subsequently wholly or partially evaporated by the Sun's heat.

In 1836, the then British Government has appointed the Salt Commission to study and recommend the Salt Tax to be levied on the producers of the salt in India. Thus, the Salt Law came into the effect in the same year. Salt Tax was 100% on the production cost.

Following the introduction of Salt Tax in India, the Salt Revenue Commissioners were authorized to issue notices to the salt traders to Pay up the annual Salt Tax due from them. These notices were



▲ Fig. 1: Salt tax notice from Northern India Salt Revenue Office, Pachbadra (P.C.B.) dated July 7, 1894 to Sambar (Sambhar) sent bearing.



▲ Fig. 2: 1925 Map showing Pachpadra (Pachbadra) on Jodhpur - Bikaner Railway Line.

sent in covers, over printed or hand written on envelopes, 'ON HER MAJESTY'S SERVICE' or 'ON H.M.S.' BEARING. Thus, avoiding postage and charging double the postage to the addressee due to 'POSTAGE DUE' to the post office. One examples of 'SALT TAX NOTICE' from Rajputana State dated July 7, 1894 is shown along with the text. (Fig. 1)

Edible Processed salt was transported by the train from Salt Depot Pachbadra Railway Station. Pachbadra was connected to Balotra by the shortest rail link of 7 miles (10 Km.). From Balotra there were two rail branches one, connecting Marwar Jn. Via Luni Jn. From there on to Ajmer on the north and to Amadabad via Palanpur to the south. The second branch connecting Balotra to Barmer and Hyderabad (Sindh) and branching off to Karachi (Kiamari Port) and second branch from Hyderabad to Lahore and Quetta. After the partition of India in 1947, Jaypore – Bikaner Railway (JBR) line connecting Hyderabad – Ajmer via Balotra and Kuchman Rd., was terminated at the border town of Munabao, a town few kilometers from Barmer. However, today, the railway line exists. This is shown in the map (Fig. 2). Pachbadra – Salt – Lines cds is an important obliterator both for the RMS Postal History collectors as well as, Mahatma Gandhi collectors. Gandhiji broke 1836 Salt Tax law at Dandi on April 06, 1930.

2. GANGAPUR OPIUM FACTORY

Gangapur is located between Sawai Madhopur and Bayana near Bharatpur, Rajputana State. During the British Raj and even today, is known for Poppy Plantation and, cultivation is legal and controlled under the government authorization and supervision. During British Raj, there was regular opium trade between India and China.

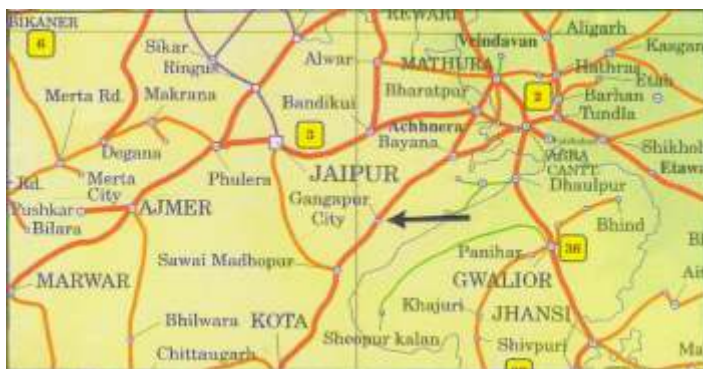
Morphine narcotic principle of Opium is extracted from the poppy seeds. Morphine is used under the strict supervision and control in therapeutic treatment and the extract opium is sold to the addicts of this narcotic with licenses.

Rajputana (Rajasthan) has even today have many Morphine extraction and processing factories. Gangapur has a Post Office attached to one of the factories during the British Raj.

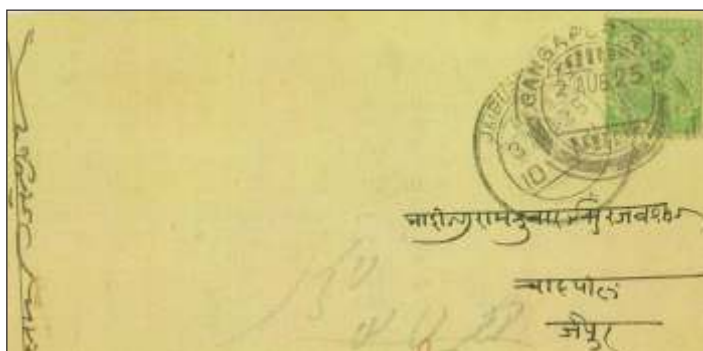
Postcard cancelled with 'GANGAPUR OPIUM FACTORY / 1 MAR 38 / 3.45 PM' addresses to SAMBHAR LAKE is shown along with the text. (Fig. 3). If you are a collector of a theme on 'Drugs and Medicine', this is the cancellation you should be looking for.



▲ Fig.3: Post Card from GANGAPUR OPIUM FACTORY dated 1 March 1938 to Sambhar Lake P. O.



▲ Fig. 4: Location of GANGAPUR CITY with reference to Sawai Madhopur (Sri Madhopur) and Bharatpur

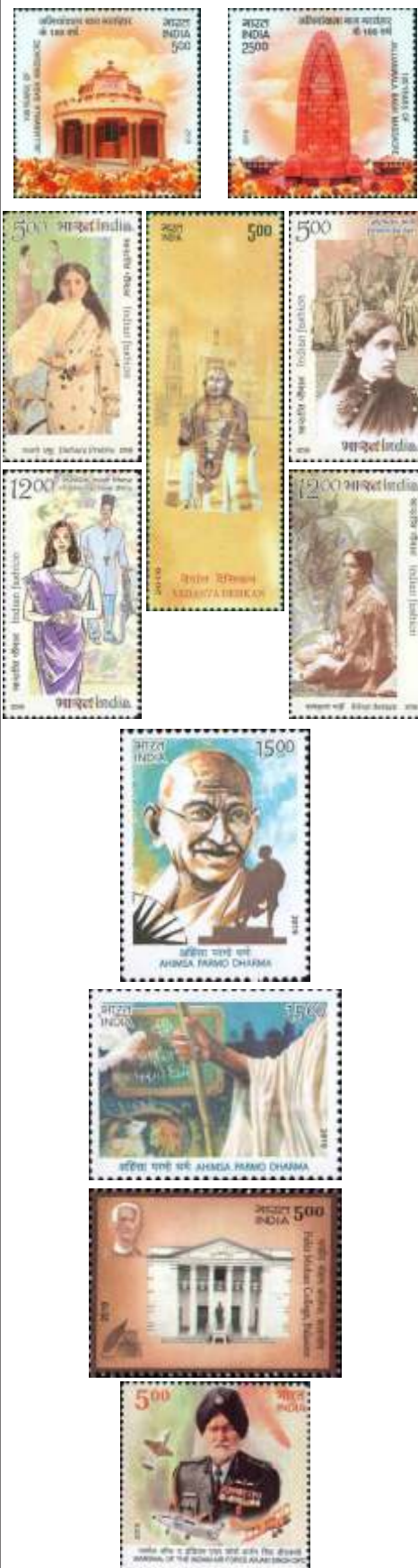


Gangapur (Gangapoor) had another Post Office GANGAPUR R.S. connected with R. M. S. Postal Service. A Bazar Postcard dated 2 AUG 1925 addressed to JAIPUR (JEYPORE) is shown as an example.

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I, on all occasions believe in what ever happens to a person, is always for the betterment of oneself. But, we could not see or understand the goodness in that incident at that time. It is a long story of incidents, which happened with me in the month of August 2014. In the third week, I found myself confined in my room after removal of Blood Clot from my brain. Now, the question arises what is good in the Operation? The good thing was that I was confined with my philatelic material. And, in that solitude I found a cancellation which I have not heard of. My colleagues and stalwarts in the philatelic field, could not confirm the existence of that cancellation. The cancellation was "TRAVELLING MAIL PEON / MANDLA" dated 30th October 1935. The Book Post mail was delivered at Sambhar Lake on 2nd November 1935. We have heard or seen examples of "Mail Agent" or "Mail Guard", but never a "Mail Peon" and surprisingly it is a "Travelling Mail Peon", from Mandla. Now, the question arises where is Mandla?



Mandla town is situated in 22.36 N latitude and 80.23 E longitude of the then Central Province and now known as Madhya Pradesh. Mandla District is a part of main eastern range of Satpura Hills. Roughly 25% of the area of the district is covered by dense forest. The town is situated in the loop of the river Nerbada, which surrounds it on three sides.

Mandla was made the capital of Gond Dynasty in 1670. The Gonds

erected a fort and built a palace in the District. Their successors, the Marathas held Mandla, which was taken by British in 1818.

Most of the trade of the District was with Jabalpur which is 58.2 miles (97kms) north-west of Mandla by road. Mandla was connected with Jabalpur by Satpura Railway's Jabalpur-Gondia extension line of Bengal Nagpur Railway by 15-2-1909.

Detailed particulars are as follows:

	Date of Opening	Distance
Jabalpur to Howbagh	15-9-1905	1.38
Howbagh to Burgi	7-4-1905	16.10
Burgi to Nainpur	5-7-1904	51.47
Nainpur to Mandla	15-2-1909	26.66

The total distance is 95.61 Miles (153 kms) in between Jabalpur and Mandla by rail.

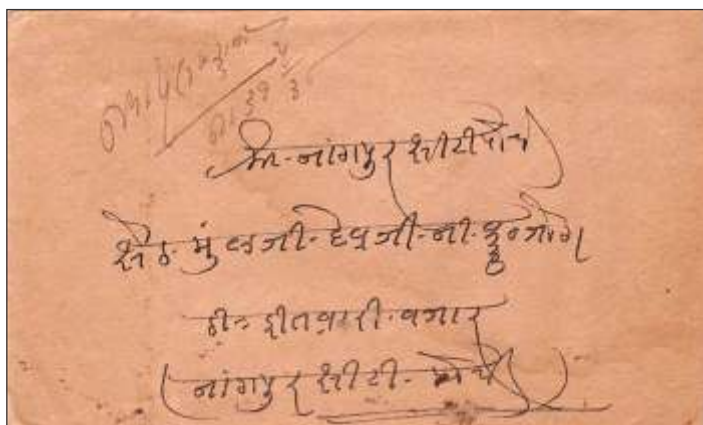
The dictionary meaning of Peon is – Office Messenger attendant. So, Mail- Peon means Mail Messenger. It was only after 1931 that on the basis of the Jahangir committee report that the employment of Extra Departmental (ED) agents on a larger scale was resorted to and the system was until then confined to Branch Offices (BO) was extended to sub offices (SO) and small combined offices. Consequently the categories of ED sorters, stamp vendors, Mail Peon, Letter Box Peon, Packers, Messengers Van Peons etc. were introduced. But, at that time the clerical service in post offices was unpopular because the pay to clerks was not placed on a scale of pay common to all classes. Even the pay was bad, the hours of duty were long and working conditions were uncomfortable.

Postal mails were carried by Railway either in vehicles constructed or converted as postal vans at the cost of Postal Department or in ordinary coaching vehicles, non postal vehicles in which accommodation is reserved for conveyance of mail in charge of Mail Guards.

But occasional dispatches or small quantity dispatches were carried by Mail Peons on Season Tickets. It means that mail carried by a Mail Peon is like a passenger is travelling with his luggage. The use of Motor Services for conveyance of mail began in India in 1912-13. Significant increase of motor service by 1934-35, because they acted as feeder lines to the railway mail lines.

It appears to me, that the mail (Travelling Mail Peon) in question, had travelled to Jabalpur by Motor Transport Service. Because Jabalpur is 97 kms away from Mandla by road (mettled) and 153 kms by Rail. There should be some arrangements to carry mail in between Postal Department and Road Transport.

The greed to find something more, I checked again my accumulation of commercial mail and was lucky to find another Mail Peon double circle cancellation which reads "MAIL PEON/ ITARSI TO JUBBULPORE....." (not readable) dated 30th May, 1938.



The Great Indian Peninsula Railway (G.I.P) laid its 5' 6" gauge line in between Itarsi and Jubbulpore as follows:

Itarsi to Sohagpur- 30.69 miles opened on 1-2-1870

Sohagpur to Jubbulpore-121.01 miles opened on 8-3-1870

The total distance is 151.70 miles = 243 kms.

The North-East main line of GIP in between Victoria Terminus (Bombay) and Naini was fully operational by 8-3-1870, though the first section was opened on 18-4-1853.

The above referred cancellation confirms that mail is being handled by a Mail Peon in between Itarsi and Jubbulpore Rail line.

Before concluding this article, I request the readers to ascertain that Mail Peon Cancellation is found only from Central Province (Madhya Pradesh) or through out the country. V

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Shri Praful Thakkar has published excellent books in past: Three on Philately and five non-philatelic. These are FDCs and Folders of India (1947-64), Br. India Bazar Postcards and FDCs and Folders of India with set of Stamps, Se-tenant Stamps and Miniature Sheets. On non-philatelic subjects, Chapras – Collector's Guide to Belt Buckles, Badges & Badge Plates of India; Collector's Guide to Indian Canteen Tokens; Collector's Guide to Membership Badges of Turf and Race Clubs of India and, Glimpses of Indian Autographs.

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When I had a talk with Shri Prafulbhai, he said that Indian Postal Authority has issued far more than 3000 postage stamps, MS, SS etc. and collectors can build his collection around themes instead arranging them in chronological order. And, it is rightly so. Commemorative Stamps of K. G. V and K.G. VI era could also find a place in this category. Even K. G. V era 12 commemorative postcards, 1951 Gandhi Postcards, AZAD HIND Stamps (1943) and 1969 Commemorative Gandhi Centenary Postcards, Inland Letter Cards, Air Letters have a rightful place in this category of collection.

However, inclusion of two non-philatelic materials are questionable. Black Prints (Bromides) are not sold across the philatelic counters. Bazar Cards are traders' advertisements for the sale of bulk daily provisions. They were extensively used during a short period of first decade of twentieth Century from Rajputana, Sindh, Punjab, Baluchistan and North-West Provinces.



The book is beautifully printed, every page a delight and full of information on the theme of the subject.

Highly recommended philatelic literature and must for both serious and amature philatelists. I congratulate Shri Prafulbhai Thakkar for his very valuable contribution to the wonderful world of philately.

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4. India, Railway: Indian Railway Centenary 2 as. Cancelled Folder, ₹ 75/-
5. India, Nehru: Motilal Nehru & Jawaharlal Nehru Can. - Nehrupex -89, (14.11.89), ₹ 125/-
6. India, Indira Gandhi: Birth Cent. Year of Indira Gandhi canc., Allahabad (19.11.17) on 250 p I. Gandhi ILC, ₹ 50/-
7. India, Indira Gandhi: CDS of Indira Nagar SPO, Bangalore, ₹ 30/-
8. India, Sports: III Commonwealth Youth Games FDC (12.10.08), ₹ 60/-
9. India, Sports: XXX – London 2012 Olympic Games FDC (25.07.12), ₹ 125/-
10. India, Sports: Sp. Cover on OlympilexIndia 2012, Bangalore (27.7.12), ₹ 75/-
11. India, Jainism: Shri. Dadabari Pratishtha Mahotsav canc. On 25 p MPC, ₹ 50/-
12. India, Gandhi: India Ahimsapex 2002, Lucknow (02.10.12), ₹ 100/-
13. India, Gandhi: Universal Declaration of Human Rights FDC (10.12.08), ₹ 25/-
14. India, Gandhi: Salt Satyagraha, Dandi Canc. on PC, Picture of Dandi March on back (06.04.98), ₹ 100/-
15. India, Gandhi: Gandhi cancellation on occasion of 150 Yrs of India Post (02.10.04), Port Blair – Post Office destroyed in Tsunami, ₹ 250/-
16. India, Gandhi: Publicity Canc. Of Gujpex 2003 at Gujarat Vidhyapith, Ahmedabad, ₹ 30/-
17. India, Gandhi: Canc. On Khadi – Indipex 2011 (12.2.2011), ₹ 75/-
18. India, Gandhi: Picture PC on Mohan Das Gandhi School, Rajkot with Image of Gandhi Stamp, ₹ 50/-
19. India, Gandhi: Bapupex -2013 canc. On Gandhi Sp. Cover of Stampmania, ₹ 100/-
20. India, Gandhi: 75th Dandi March – CDS of 12.03.05 & 06.04.05 on 200 p Gandhi ILC, ₹ 150/-
21. India, Gandhi: Apex 2017 Sp. Cover – 80th Anniv. Of Gandhi's Last visit to Travancore, ₹ 75/-
22. India, Religion: Sadhu Vaswani Birth Centenary Canc. (27.11.79), Vadodara, ₹ 30/-
23. India, Religion: Picture PC on Dwarka Temple with Image of Bhagwat Gita Stamp, ₹ 50/-
24. India, Religion: Gems & Jewellery – Temple, Picture of Lord Shreenathji FDC, ₹ 50/-
25. India, Freedom Fighters: Sp. Cover on Freedom Fighters & Reformers of India – Anand (2013), ₹ 30/-
26. India, Peace: EIPEX 2008 Sp. Cover on Apostles, of Peace (Gandhi, Mother Teresa, Vivekanand), 25.10.08, ₹ 100/-
27. India, Railway: "Training for Railways Progress" Slogan canc. On ILC, (31.1.77), Vadodara, ₹ 50/-
28. India, Railway: SJ of Railway Staff College, Vadodara (31.1.77) on ILC, ₹ 50/-

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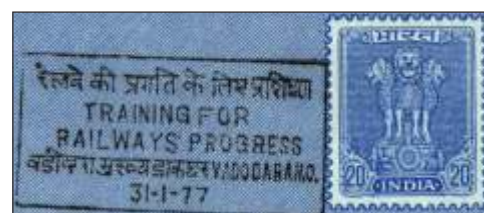
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29. India, Railway: Early Can. Of Baroda, on cover Bullock Driven Tram – Vadopex 87 (31.10.87), ₹ 200/-
30. India, Lions Club: Canc. of Lionesspex – 88 (30.04.88), Lioness Club of Vishwamitri, Vadodara, ₹ 30/-
31. India, Medicine: World Antitobacco Day CDS on PC (31.05.00), ₹ 30/-
32. India, Medicine: Comm. Used Meg. PC on Blood Donation with CDS of 12.12.12, ₹ 50/-
33. India, Medicine: "No Smoking MPC" Mint with shifting error 2 Nos., ₹ 150/-
34. India, Cricket: GJ Ranji Trophy Canc. On Envelope – 19.11.84, ₹ 50/-
35. India, Cricket: NZ vs. Ind 4th ODI, Vadodara (17.12.88), ₹ 50/-
36. India, Sardar Patel: CDS of 15-12-13, Vadodara NPO – 63rd Death Anniv. - Run for Unity, ₹ 75/-
37. India, Wildlife: Pict. Cancellation of Marine Park (Octopus), Jamnagar H.O. (14.10.13), ₹ 50/-
38. India, Ship: 100 yrs of Titanic Tragedy Private Cover comm. Used on 14.04.2012 (1912-2012), ₹ 100/-
39. India, Lions Club: Centennial Celebration –2017 (08.12.17), Vadodara, ₹ 50/-
40. India, Tourism: FDC 35 p ILC with advt. "In India you'll see the world", ₹ 30/-
41. Zambia, Bird: Comm. Used cover on Birds, ₹ 30/-
42. India, Jainism: Dilwara Temple & Ranakpur Temple (14.10.2009), Sheetlet, ₹ 200/-

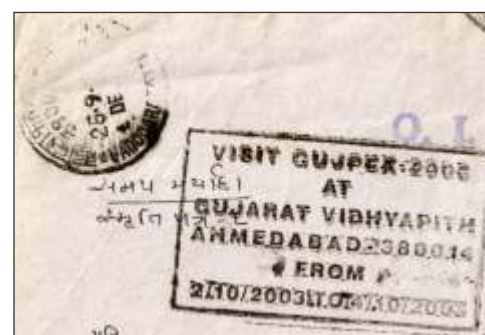
India (Post Independence)

43. Michelangelo (Se-tenant) Canc. Folder (28.06.1975), ₹ 175/-
44. Kalidas Can. Folder, ₹ 30/-
45. SJ – Indian Air Force - VIP Folder with 15 np & 90 np stamp, ₹ 300/-
46. S.G.PEX 76 (Surat) - Set of 4 sp. Cover with Special Folder, ₹ 500/-
47. Ahilyabai Holkar (04.09.75) - Comm. Used on Indore Phil. Society News Bulletin, ₹ 30/-
48. Surya Namaskar FDC (20.06.16), ₹ 250/-
49. Wildflowers of India FDC (03.09.13), ₹ 125/-
50. 200th Birth Anniv. Of Louie Braille (04.01.08) CDS on Int. Day of Disabled Persons FDC, ₹ 30/-
51. 5000 Offices of SBI (17.02.79), Baroda H.O., ₹ 30/-
52. Canc. Of Mandvi, Vadodara on occasion of opening of Philatelic Bureau. (28.2.83) on PC, ₹ 50/-
53. Festival of India London Comm. Stamp Pack (23.3.82), ₹ 50/-
54. Indorepex - 71 (14.11.71) Cancellation on Cover, ₹ 25/-
55. Publicity Cancellation of GUJPEX-79, Vadodara On PC (19.04.79), ₹ 25/-
56. GujpeX 2011 cancellation on PC – set of 6, ₹ 150/-
57. Indo-Soviet Friendship Issue – Se-tenant FDC (16.8.90), ₹ 225/-
58. 125th Anniv. Of Indian Police – Se-tenant FDC (21.10.86), ₹ 400/-
59. Stampmania 2009 Sp. Covers – 5 days, ₹ 450/-
60. Asiana - 77 - Sp. Covers 5 days, ₹ 500/-
61. Vadopex 83 Sp. Cover Comm Used – Set of 3 covers (Early Canc. Kalaghoda, Planetarium), ₹ 500/-
62. IX Asian Games Mint Stamp Pack - set of 12 stamps - 2 Nos., Each ₹ 250/-
63. World Post Day canc. On envelope (09.10.14), ₹ 50/-
64. Raksha Bandhan Sp. Cover (2017), ₹ 30/-

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65. Max. Card Blank on Maxim Gorky, Issued by Forum for Philately, Kolkata, ₹ 50/-
66. NEW Millennium: CDS of 31.12.99 & Sp. Canc. Of 01.01.2000 (Vadopex 2000) on ILC, ₹ 150/-
67. VADOPEX – 2000 canc. On PC (Welcome to New Millennium & Blood Donation), ₹ 200/-
68. Himalayan Flowers Mint Stamp Pack - set of 4 stamps, ₹ 100/-
69. Indian Wildlife Mint Stamp Pack - set of 4 stamps, ₹ 250/-
70. Collectors Pack of 1973, ₹ 700/-
71. Pictorial Canc. Of Kalaghoda (11.3.13) - Birth Anniversary of Sayajirao Gaekwad on PC, ₹ 30/-
72. Indian Army Covers from 1977 to 2003 (Some year complete & some year assorted – Total 295 nos.), Price on Request
73. Combination Cover - Dr. Zakir Hussain (11.6.69) & V.V. Giri (24.08.74), ₹ 50/-
74. Combination Cover - Gandhi & Nehru (15.8.73) & V. V. Giri (24.08.74), ₹ 50/-
75. Combination Cover - 1942 Quit India (01.10.67) & V.V. Giri (24.08.74), ₹ 50/-
76. Gujpeex 81 cancellation of Ashok Rock – Girnar on Invitation Card of Gujpeex 81 autographed by Sanat Mehta (Min. Of Finance) & K.S. Shastri (VC, Gujarat University), ₹ 75/-
77. Indian Coast Guard (12.08.2008) Mixed Sheetlet, ₹ 400/-
78. Greetings (01.12.2009) Sheetlet, ₹ 400/-
79. Traditional Indian Textiles (10.12.2009), ₹ 200/-

Pre-Independence India

80. 1935 Silver Jubilee Set of 7 (SG N0. 240 to 247) with Havid Mount – 240 & 244 Gum slightly damaged & 245 Hinged, ₹ 500/-

Postal Stationery

81. 65 p Mint Aerogramme with Rhino, ₹ 75/-
82. Reply Post Card – Mint – 17 different varieties, ₹ 500/-
83. 15 p Service PC comm. Used (1980), ₹ 30/-

Foreign Countries

84. USA: Slogan "Register for Insure Valuable Mail" (23.03.1929) addressed to Palitana, ₹ 200/-
85. USA: Numerical Canc. "1" (08.05.1930, 10 PM) addressed to Palitana, ₹ 200/-
86. USA: America's Wool 6 c stamp FDC (19.1.1971), ₹ 30/-
87. Pakistan: Mohammad Jinnah Rs. 20/- comm. Used on cover from Peshawar Sadar Bazar, ₹ 50/-

Miscellaneous

88. Slogan "Visit Tanapex –78" on 25 p. envelope, ₹ 30/-
89. 1½ Anna Meter Franking from Bombay (10.12.48), ₹ 100/-
90. Card on MS of Greeting Stamps (01.12.2009), ₹ 30/-

Literature

91. The Booth Catalogue – Collect GB FDC 1996 – 24th Edition, ₹ 200/-
92. Scott 1991 Catalogue Vol. 4 (P to Z), ₹ 500/-
93. The World of Stamps and Stamp Collecting – Arthur Blair published by The Hamley Publishing Group Ltd., England - 1972 Edition, ₹ 1000/-

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Fiscal

94. Vadodara State Stamp paper – Pratapsinh Rao Gaikwad (1932-40) - 1r, 2r, 3r, 5 r, ₹ 600/-
95. Vadodara State Stamp paper – Sayaji Rao Gaikwad (1940-47) - 6 different, ₹ 600/-
96. Holkar State Stamp paper – 4a, 1a, 1 r, ₹ 300/-
97. Dhar State State Stamp paper – 1 a, ₹ 200/-
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07.06.2019, Postcrossing

Armenia

21.05.2019, EUROPA 2019 National Bird

20.08.2019, Seventh Pan-American Games

Australia

09.04.2019, Queen's Birthday

Austria

11.06.2019, Crypto Stamp

Canada

17.04.2019, Sweet Canada

23.05.2019, Endangered Turtles

Croatia

20.05.2019, 500th Death Anniversary of Leonardo Da Vinci

France

10.05.2019, EUROPA 2019 (National Birds)

01.06.2019, Passages and Galleries of Paris

Gibraltar

05.07.2019, 50th Anniversary of Moon Landing

03.09.2019, Leonardo Da Vinci - Set

Great Britain

24.05.2019, Queen Victoria Bicentenary

Hungary

08.07.2019, 50th Anniversary of Moon Landing

08.07.2019, Working Dogs

Indonesia

23.04.2019, Ramayana (70th anniversary of establishment of its diplomatic ties with India)

Isle of Man

29.04.2019, 50 Years of Lunar Exploration

20.08.2019, 100 Years of Transatlantic Flight

Korea

20.05.2019, Redefinition of SI Base Units

Kyrgyzstan

25.06.2019, World Fauna – Tiger

25.06.2019, 85 Years since the birth of Y. Gagarin

Liechtenstein

03.06.2019, 50 Years of first moon landing

03.06.2019, 500th Death Anniversary of Leonardo da Vinci

Luxembourg

07.05.2019, SEPAC 2019 theme (Historic Homes)

Monaco

05.07.2019, 50th Anniversary of Moon Landing

Netherlands

11.06.2019, Butterflies and Moths

09.07.2019, Dutch Butterflies

New Zealand

01.05.2019, New Zealand Space Pioneers

Norfolk Island

02.04.2019, Fern

Norway

23.08.2019, Bicycles

Romania

09.05.2019, Tourism - Welcome to Romania

17.05.2019, Peafowls

14.08.2019, Exotic Birds

Singapore

08.05.2019, Singapore-Israel Joint Issue

Slovenia

26.09.2019, Brown Bear

Spain

26.09.2019, Cuisine

Sri Lanka

28.02.2019, Spices of Sri Lanka

Switzerland

02.05.2019, Land Art

02.05.2019, Europa 2019 – National Bird

02.05.2019, 50 Years of Manned Moon Landing

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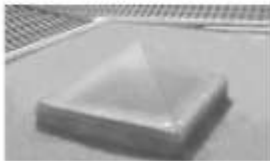
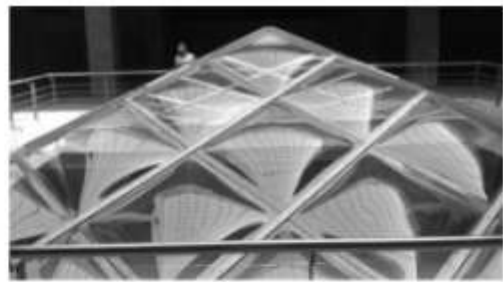
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