

Special Cover on 158th Anniversary of Bal Gangadhar Tilak - 26th July 2014.

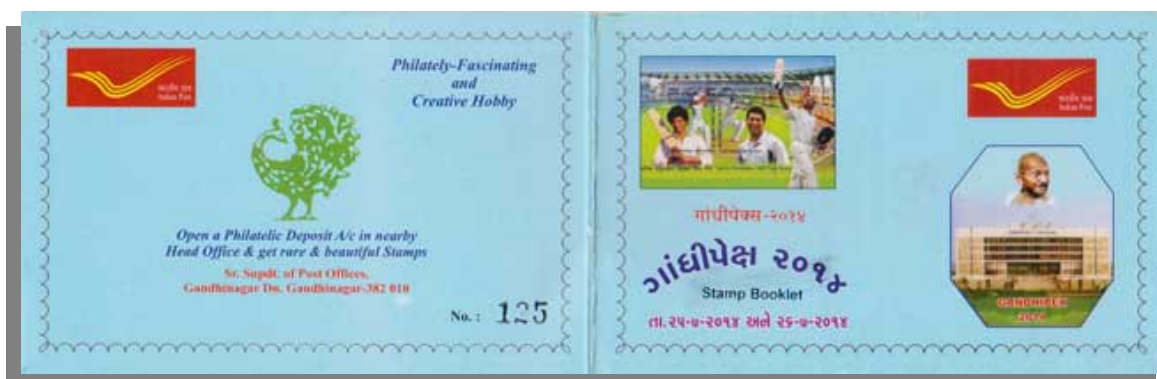
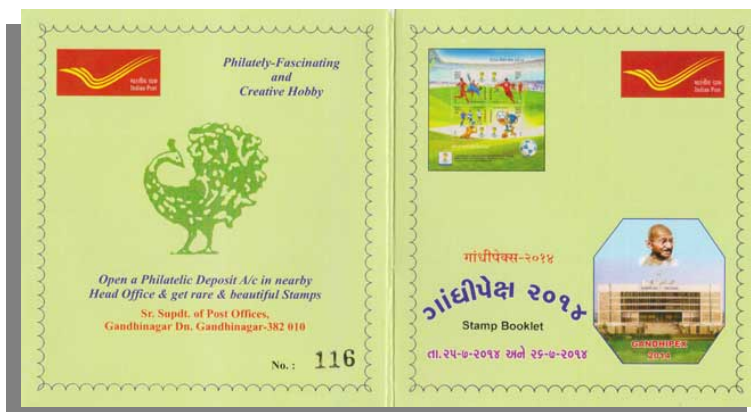
Bal Gangadhar Tilak or Lokmanya Tilak (b. 23 July 1856 - d. 1 August 1920), born as Keshav Gangadhar Tilak, an Indian nationalist, journalist, teacher, social reformer, lawyer was the first leader of the Indian Independence Movement. Tilak was one of the first and strongest advocates of "Swaraj" (self-rule) and a strong radical in Indian consciousness. He is known for his quote, "Swaraj is my birthright, and I shall have it!" in India.

India Post issued a Special Cover to mark 158th Birth Anniversary of Bal Gangadhar Tilak at Patna on 26th July 2014. Union Minister for Communications and Information Technology, and Law and Justice, Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad released the Special Cover at the function organised on the occasion of birth anniversary of Bal Gangadhar Tilak at Taramandal Sabhagar, Patna.



Gandhipex-2014, District Level Philatelic Exhibition - 25th - 26th July 2014.

Gandhipex-2104, a district level philatelic exhibition is organized at K. B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Gandhinagar (Gujarat) on 25th and 26th July 2016. Exhibition was inaugurated by Shri R. K. Jayabhaye, Director Postal Services (H.Q.), Gujarat Postal Circle. A Special cover on Sports Authority of India was issued on the occasion. Shri R. K. Naidu, Director, Sports Authority of India was also present on the occasion. Two booklets on 2014 FIFA World Cup and Sachin Tendulkar were also issued during the exhibition. Philatelic Workshop on 25th July and a Quiz competition on 26th July were conducted by Shri Vijay Navlakha. Only one special cover was issued during the exhibition.



Courtesy: Ashok Kumar Bayanwala, Ahmedabad.

Stamp Expo at Chennai - 25th - 27th July 2014.

South India Philatelists' Association organised philatelic exhibition 'Stamp Expo' from 25th to 27th July 2014 at Shiraz Hall, 14 Whannels Road, Egmore, Chennai 600 008.

Appex - 2014, Andhra Pradesh State Level Philatelic Exhibition at Vijayawada - 24th - 26th July 2014.



Appex-2014, Andhra Pradesh State Level Philatelic Exhibition was inaugurated at Vedika Function Hall, Benz Circle, Vijayawada on 24th July 2014. The exhibition was inaugurated by Shri B. V. Sudhakar, Chief Postmaster General, A. P. Postal Circle.

Philatelists from Telagana and Andhra Pradesh have participated in the state level exhibition. Department of Posts is expecting that 5,000 students will visit the exhibition from 72 schools. Various programmes like Phila walk, Phila hunt, Kaun Banega StampPati, philatelic quiz and philatelic workshop have been planned during the exhibition.



On the occasion, a Special Cover on the textile craft of Machilipatnam was released by CPMG Shri B. V. Sudhakar and another Special Cover on 'Lepakshi handicrafts' was relased by K. Sandhya Rani, Postmaster General (BD and Mails) on 24th July 2014.

The Machilipatnam Kalamkari craft made at Pedana near by Machilipatnam, evolved with patronage of the Mughals and the Golconda sultanate. Originally used as decorative wall hangings of the Muslim royalty of South India, Kalamkari, the hand-painted and block printed textile craft, was Persian-inspired, with the 'Tree of Life' as the dominant motif against a profusion of flowers, creepers and birds. The Kalamkari fabrics and Kalahasti, with their intricate designs, are used in clothing and wall hangings. Kalamkari refers to dye-painted cloths and the technique

used to create them. Their name derives from kalam, for a pen-like tool used to draw outlines on the cloth, and kari (work). Fabrics are outlined with a cotton-tipped bamboo stick and dyed in vegetable or mineral colours. (Special Cover approval no. AP/05/2014)



The A.P. Handicrafts Development Corporation, a State Government Undertaking, was set up in the year 1982, with the main objectives of promotion, development and marketing of handicrafts besides implementing several schemes for the welfare of artisans. The Corporation markets the production of over 2 lakh artisans through its network of Sales Emporia with the trade name of 'Lepakshi'. (Special Cover approval no. AP/08/2014)



On 25th July 2014, Shri M. Sampath, Postmaster General, Vijayawada released a special cover on Wild Life Sanctuary (Mangroves, Coringa).

Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary is a wildlife sanctuary and estuary situated in Andhra Pradesh. It is the second largest surviving stretch of mangrove forests in India with 24 mangrove tree species, and more than 120 bird species. It is home for the critically endangered White-backed Vulture, and Long Billed Vulture. (Special Cover approval no. AP/10/2014)



Another cover was issued on MGNREGA. The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005, also known as the "Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act", and abbreviated to MGNREGA, is an Indian labour law and social security measure that aims to guarantee the 'right to work' and ensure livelihood security in rural areas by providing at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. (Special Cover approval no. AP/09/2014)

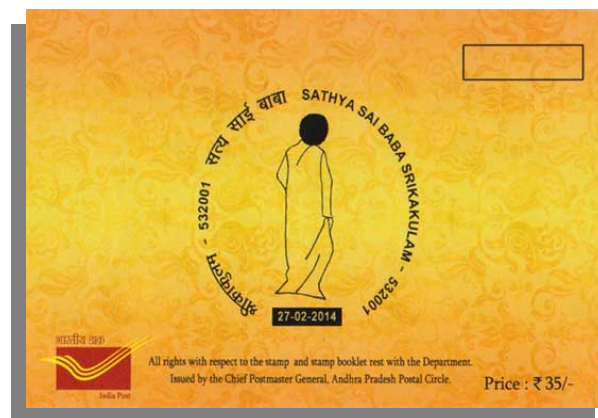
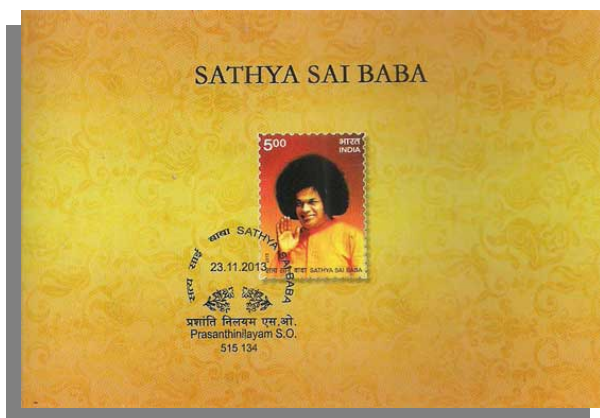


On 26th July 2014, a Special Cover on 'On the Summit of Success' was released by Ms. Sharda Sampath, Postmaster General, Visakhapatnam. (Special Cover approval no. AP/06/2014)

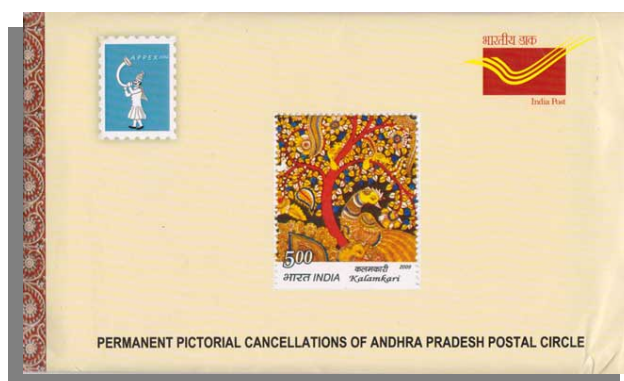


Two Special folders cum booklets were also issued during the exhibition. One on a Saga of Buddhist Monuments in Andhra Pradesh containing 28 pages and printed on beautiful Glossy paper, which includes 6 nos. of Rs. 5 stamps and another on Sathya Sai Baba with 4 nos. of Rs. 5 stamps, each costing Rs.125 and Rs.35 respectively.





A special packet of 11 Permanent Pictorial Cancellations of Andhra Pradesh were also sold at the exhibition for a price of Rs. 35.



In addition book mark packets with 12 book marks in each packet with replicas of stamps issued by India Post in the past were released and priced at Rs. 35 each. Three picture postcards were also issued depicting Buddha Stamps, Gandhi Stamps and Greetings Stamps. Total 320 frames were exhibited from various classes in 12 categories and 114 Participants of all ages participated in Appex-2014 exhibition.

Appex-2014 concluded with prize distribution function on 26th July 2014. Vijayawada MP Kesineni Srinivas (Nani) was the chief guest at valedictory function who gave away medals to the winners. Suitable awards in form of Gold, Vermeil, Large Silver, Silver, Silver Bronze and Bronze medals were awarded with certificates to the winners. In addition Special Prizes were also awarded. Attractive Souvenir, with articles from Senior Philatelists without advertisements was also released during closing ceremony of the exhibition.



Appex-2014 Award List : <http://www.indianphilately.net/appex2014awardlist.html>

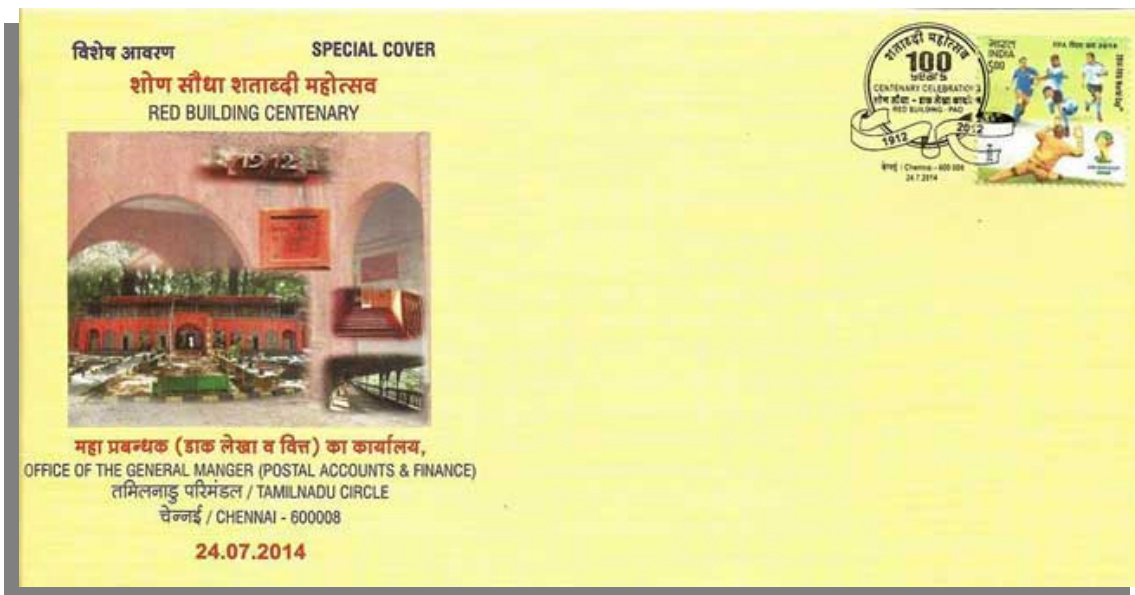
Photos Courtesy: P. Ravindra Babu, Photographer, TNIE, Vijayawada | [Appex-2014](#) | [IP\(A\)SP ANDHRA](#) | [The Hindu](#) | [Rainbow Stamp Club](#)

Special Cover on Centenary of the Red Building, Chennai - 24th July 2014.

Tamilnadu has lot of ancient buildings. The red building constructed in 1912 is one among them. It is located at Ethiraj Salai, Chennai and it houses the office of General Manager, Postal Accounts and Finance, Tamilnadu Postal Circle.

Shri T. Murthy, Chief Postmaster General, Tamil Nadu Postal Circle, released a Special Cover to commemorate the Centenary celebrations of the Red Building on 24th July 2014 at Chennai. Madras High Court Judge, Shri V. Ramasubramanian, General Manger, India Post, Chennai, Janaki Ananthakrishnan and Dean of Madras Medical College and Dr. Vimala were present at the cover release function. (Special Cover approval no. TN/10/2014).

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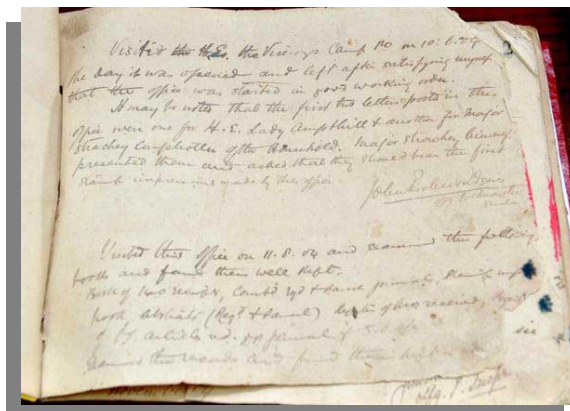
Cover Courtesy: Sreejesh Krishnan, Thiruvananthapuram

President of India inaugurated Rashtrapati Bhavan Post Office at new location in the President's estate - 24th July 2014.

The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee inaugurated the Rashtrapati Bhavan Post Office in its new building on 24th July 2014 at President's Estate.

The Rashtrapati Bhavan Post Office started functioning as Viceroy's Camp Post Office at Shimla on 10th June, 1904 has historic records. In 1948, it was renamed as Governor-General Post Office and in 1950; it was again renamed as

President-Camp Post Office. On 7th December, 1950 it was named as Rashtrapati Bhavan Post Office. This Post Office caters to the needs of President's Secretariat as well as residents of the President's Estate. The Post Office was relocated from a heritage building as part of measures to implement the Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan for the President's Estate.



Source: [PIB](#)

Special Cover on Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of All India Federation of Master Printers (AIFMP) – 19th July 2014.

The All India Federation of Master Printers (AIFMP) was registered in Madras in 1953 under the Registration of Societies Act 1860 with aims and objectives to bring together printers from all over India under one organisation, to represent printers' interests on a nation-wide basis and to promote the interests of the printing industry and improve conditions in all branches as far as possible etc.

Since its inception, the AIFMP has done sterling work to increase the prestige and influence of the printing industry and help it render better and more useful service to the public. It is recognised by the Government of India as the only organisation representing the printing industry on an all-India basis.

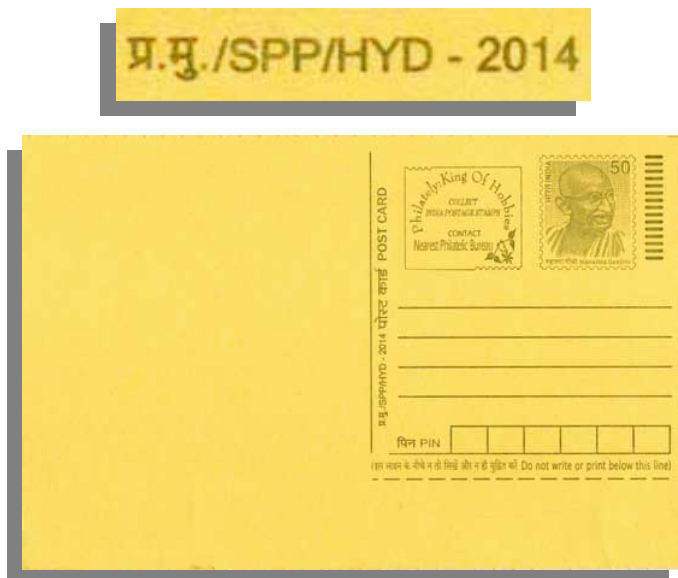
In the run up with their diamond jubilee celebration this year, All India Federation of Master Printers (AIFMP) has been organizing one or the other events in various parts of India. As a part of diamond jubilee celebration a Special Cover was issued by Tamilnadu Postal Circle on 19th July 2014 at Sivakasi. Customised 'My Stamp' was also brought out to mark the occasion. (Special Cover approval no. TN/09/2014).



Cover Courtesy: Sreejesh Krishnan, Thiruvananthapuram

New Postal Stationery: 50 p. Single Post Card

50 p. Single Post Card with Mahatma Gandhi motif, 'Philately: King of Hobbies' advertisement and inscription SPP/HYD-2014 has been released. Issue date not known yet.



Special Cover on Centenary of Mahatma Gandhi's return journey from South Africa to India - 18th July 2014.

In South Africa, Gandhi faced the discrimination directed at all coloured people. He was thrown off a train at Pietermaritzburg after refusing to move from the first-class. He protested and was allowed on first class the next day. Travelling farther on by stagecoach, he was beaten by a driver for refusing to move to make room for a European passenger. He suffered other hardships on the journey as well, including being barred from several hotels. In another incident, the magistrate of a Durban court ordered Gandhi to remove his turban, which he refused to do. These events were a turning point in Gandhi's life and shaped his social activism and awakened him to social injustice. He decided to head back to India and left South Africa on 18 July 1914 to return to his native India where he was to lead millions of people in an epic struggle for independence. Bapu returned to India on January 9, 1915. Having spent 21 years in South Africa, Mahatma Gandhi developed his political views, ethics and political leadership skills.

"Truly speaking, it was after I went to South Africa that I became what I am now" - Mahatma Gandhi.

Chhattisgarh Postal Circle issued a Special Cover to mark the occasion on 18th July 2014 at Raipur.

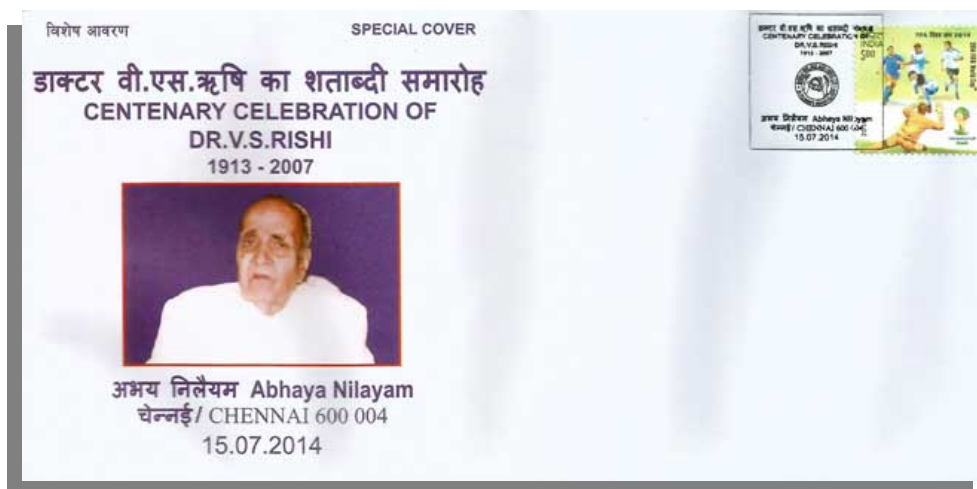


Cover Courtesy: Dr. Bhanu Pratap Singh, Raipur

Special Cover on Centenary Celebration of Dr. V. S. Rishi - 15th July 2014.

Dr. V. S. Rishi (Vaidhiyanathasaptha Rishi) (b. 15th July 1913 - d. 15th July 2007) was a veteran social worker and doctor by profession. For more than 70 years, social work was his passion and obsession. Dr. V. S. Rishi has been instrumental in rehabilitating thousands of destitute women to lead a normal life either by restoring them to their rightful guardians or training them in useful crafts and jobs even arranging for them suitable marriage patterns. Abhaya Nilayam founded by Dr. V. S. Rishi in 1955 is a short stay protective home that provides shelter for distressed women at any time of the day or night, irrespective of caste or creed.

A Special cover was released by India Post to mark the centenary celebration of Dr. V. S. Rishi on 15th July 2014 at Chennai. (Special Cover approval no. TN/07/2014)



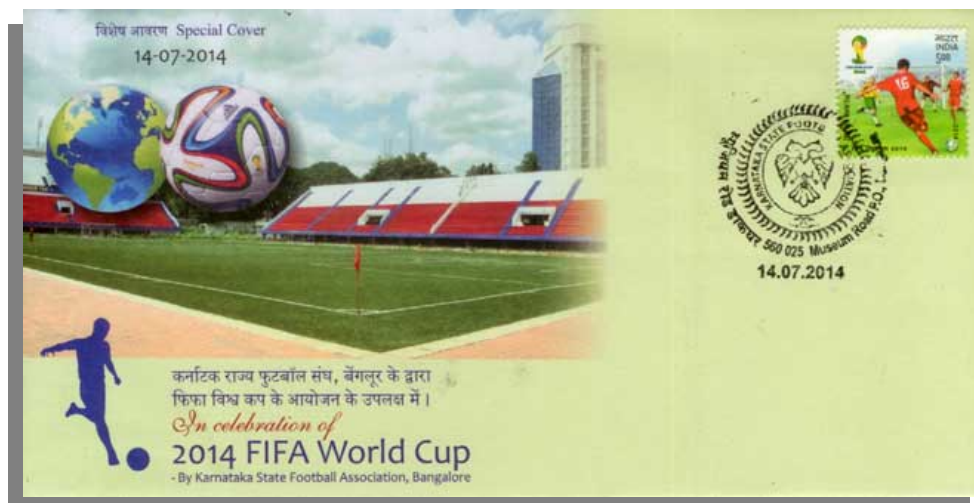
Cover Courtesy: Sreejesh Krishnan, Thiruvananthapuram

Special Cover on Celebration of 2014, FIFA World Cup - 14th July 2014.

Karnataka State Football Association (KSFA) is the governing body for football in the state of Karnataka. It was started in the year 1946 which was then known as Mysore State Football Association (MSFA). All District associations in Karnataka are associated to KSFA. It is affiliated to National Federation (AIFF), Asian Confederation (AFC) and International Body (FIFA). A Special cover was released to Celebrate 2014 FIFA World Cup by Karnataka Postal Circle in co-operation with Karnataka State Football Association (KSFA) on 14th July 2014, a day after the FIFA finals at the Vismaya Hall, Rangoli Metro Art Center, MG Road Metro Station, Bangalore. (Special Cover Approval No. KTK/11/2014). My Stamp on Football was also released for KSFA on the occasion.

In photograph from left to right Hon. Gen. Secretary, KSFA, Shri E Krishnan Naryana, KSFA President, Shri A. R. Kahalee, CPMG Karnataka Postal Circle, Shri M. S. Ramanujan and KSFA Vice President, Sadat Ali Khan, while releasing Special Cover and My Stamp.





Courtesy: Jagannath Mani, Bangalore

Shri H. C. Mehta noted philatelist passes away.

We are deeply saddened to inform you of the sad demise of well known and very senior philatelist Shri Harshvardhan Mehta of Nadiad (Gujarat). Shri H. C. Mehta passed away on 11th July 2014 at Ahmedabad after being ill for last few months.



Shri H. C. Mehta was a well known figure in Indian Philately. He collected his first stamp from Post Office in 1949 – UPU 9 Pies. He collected stamps even in 2014. He was interested in A to Z in Indian Philately.

His collections on 1947-1957 Indian Postal History, Gandhi 1948, Indian FDC upto 1957, Indian Postal Stationery 1947-1958 are excellent examples of Modern Indian Philately.

He had been often invited by Department of Posts as a Jury member for District, Regional and State level philatelic exhibitions. He was a founder member of Philatelic Congress of India (PCI). He served as President of Gujarat Philatelists' Association and an editor of GPA News. He was also a member of India Study Circle for Philately (UK) and an Honorary Life member of Baroda Philatelic Society. Shri H. C. Mehta was born on 13th October 1933 at Nadiad. He was associated with Rajkot Dairy and Abad Dairy. He is survived by two sons.

Our forum has lost a mentor, contributor and a guide who always helped us to find answer of our query on any aspect of Indian Philately. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family. We pray to the Almighty God to grant eternal peace to the departed soul and to give strength and courage to the bereaved family to bear this loss. Shri H. C. Mehta will always be remembered for his significant contributions and services rendered to our forum.



Shri H. C. Mehta mailing Special Printed Postcard on Sardar Patel Jayanti on 31.10.2009 at Nadiad H. P. O. (Part of Stampmania 2009 event)

Shradhanjali from Shri Ashok Kumar Bayanwala, Ahmedabad.

Yesterday on 11th July 2014, I have lost an inspiring friend, Shri Harshwardhan C. Mehta and Indian Philately has lost a doyen of Modern Indian Philately.

My association with Shri H. C. Mehta started from 1973 onwards. He used to push me in Modern Indian Philately though he had a vast knowledge of most of the side lines of Pre Independence Indian Philately. He had an unparallel collection of Modern Indian Philately.

I convey my heartfelt condolences and pray to the Almighty to Rest His Soul in Peace.

- Ashok Kumar Bayanwala, Ahmedabad

'Carniball 2014', Philatelic Exhibition on Football at Bangalore – 10th - 20th July 2014.

Karnataka Postal Circle organised a philatelic exhibition on football with the support of Karnataka Philatelic Society at 'Vismaya Hall', Rangoli Metro Art Center, M.G. Road Metro Station, Bangalore from 10th July 2014. The Managing Director, Bangalore Metro Mr. Pradeep Singh Kharola, the Head Coach of Indian Men's Football National Team Mr. Wim Koevoorts and Captain of the Indian Men's Football team Mr. Sunil Chhetri have jointly inaugurated the exhibition. Mr. M. S. Ramanujan, Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka Postal Circle, Mr. A.R. Khaleel, President, Karnataka State Football Association, Mr. Mahesh Jambulingam, President, Karnataka Philately Society, Bangalore were also present in inauguration function. Exhibits on display are from the members of Karnataka Philatelic Society, Bangalore. The exhibition will remain open till 20th July 2014 from 11.00 AM to 09.00 PM on weekends and 11.00 AM to 07.00 PM on week days and Tuesday holiday. A Special cover will be released on FIFA World Cup 2014 on 14th July 2014, a day after the FIFA finals which is scheduled on 13th July 2014 at the Vismaya Hall, Rangoli Metro Art Center, MG Road Metro Station, Bangalore.

A Spot Painting competition for the children of age group of 13 - 18 on theme "The football in action" was also organised by Karnataka Postal Circle during the exhibition from 16th - 20th July 2014. Several students visited the exhibition and participated in various activities.





Courtesy: Jagannath Mani, Bangalore | [The Hindu](#)

India Post launched new website for Philately

Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Government of India has launched new website for Philatelic Information which is www.postagestamps.gov.in

Annual General Meeting of the Ananthapuri Philatelic Club, Thiruvananthapuram - 6th July 2014.

The 2nd Annual General Meeting of the Ananthapuri Philatelic Club, Thiruvananthapuram held on 6th July 2014. The following office bearers for 2014-16 were elected.

President:	Shri V. Balakrishnan Nair
Vice President:	Shri V. Syam Kumar
Secretary:	Shri P. Mohanachandran Nair
Joint Secretary:	Shri Boben, J. E.
Treasurer:	Shri Jacob Philip
Executive Members:	Dr. Denny Balakrishnan, Dr. Aneesh. A., Shri C.K. Krishnan Kutty Nair and Er. R. K. Rajasekharan

At the end of the meeting Secretary, Shri P. Mohanachandran Nair conducted a class on "How to count perforation on stamps".

Courtesy: Sreejesh Krishnan, Thiruvananthapuram

Special Cover on Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Rotary Club of Madurai West - 4th July 2014.

Rotary Club of Madurai West is an affiliate of Rotary International, a worldwide federation of professionals and entrepreneurs engaged in catalytic and direct action for the betterment of humanity in the areas of health, education, ethics, economy, resource sustainability and peace. Rotary Club of Madurai West upholds the core values of Rotary International : Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity and Leadership. Its membership and its programmes exemplify Rotary's motto Service Above Self. The club, which was started in 1965, has over 140 members. It has been carrying out a number of initiatives with regard to betterment of infrastructure in educational institutions and other charitable work.

The Rotary Club of Madurai West marked its golden jubilee celebrations with daylong events at Lakshmi Sundaram Hall, Madurai on 4th July 2014. To mark the Golden Jubilee Celebrations, Tamilnadu Postal Circle issued a Special Cover on 4th July 2014.. (Special Cover approval no. TN/07/2014). Shri Mervin Alexander, Postmaster General,

Chennai City Region, released a special cover which was received by C. Basker, Rotary International Coordinator of Zone 5.



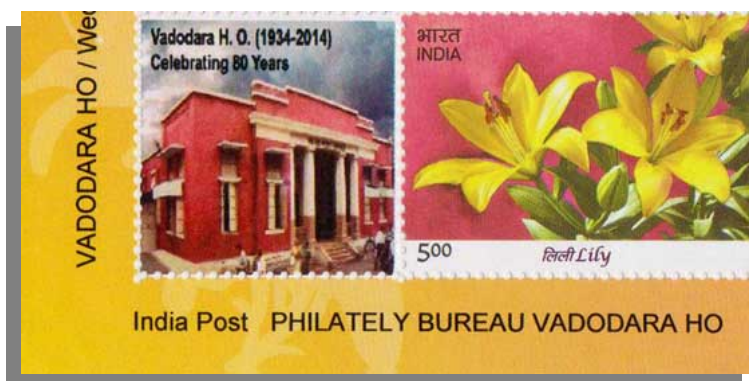
Courtesy: Sreejesh Krishnan, Thiruvananthapuram | [The Hindu](#)

My Stamp facility at Vadodara Philatelic Bureau, Vadodara H. O. – 2nd July 2014.

My Stamp facility has been made available at Vadodara Philatelic Bureau (Vadodara Head Post Office) from 2nd July 2014. A function was organized at Vadodara Head Post Office to inaugurate the My Stamp Facility Counter and launch of My Stamp at Vadodara Philatelic Bureau.

Shri A. Marimutthu, Sr. Postmaster, Vadodara H. O. delivered the welcome speech and informed about the 'My Stamp' facility. Smt. Sucheta Joshi, Director Postal Services, Vadodara Region inaugurated My Stamp Facility Counter at Vadodara Philatelic Bureau. Shri Prashant Pandya, President of Baroda Philatelic Society gave information about the Personalised stamps available in various countries and about the experiments of Personalised Stamps done in Kolkata during 2001 – 2003 at Industrial Fair and Book Fair. In his address Mr. Pandya informed about the history of Vadodara Head Post office. Approval for the construction the existing head post office was granted by H. H. Maharaja of Baroda State on 26th September 1922 and construction of the post office was completed in August 1934. The Head Post Office was moved to this new building from 1st September 1934. Co-incidentally Vadodara Head Post Office is celebrating 80 years of its existence and to mark this celebration first My Stamp was launched with the photo of Vadodara Head Post Office. Ms. Meeta Shah, Sr. Superintendent of Post Offices, Vadodara East Division gave vote of

thanks. The function was well attended by Philatelists, citizens of Vadodara, staff members of India Post, Print and Digital Media and wide coverage was given by media.





Report by: Prashant Pandya, Vadodra

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Appex-2014, Andhra Pradesh State Level Philatelic Exhibition will be held at Vedika Function Hall, Benz Circle, Vijayawada from 24th to 26th July 2014. The AP Postal Circle is organising the event with the aim of promoting the habit of postal stamp collection among the people.

Shri B. V. Sudhakar, Chief Postmaster General, Andhra Pradesh Postal Circle unveiled the APPEX-2014 logo on 1st July 2014. He said that several philatelists who have been passionately collecting stamps for decades will exhibit their valuable collections in the three-day event. He also flagged off a publicity van 'Naandi Ratham' to create awareness about philately among the public and promote the habit. The van depicts colourful paintings by children on themes like environment and girl child safety, among others. Postmasters General Ms. Sandhya Rani (BD), Shri M. Sampath (Vijayawada Region) and Mrs. M. Sharada Sampath (Vishakhapatnam Region) were also present on the occasion.



Source: [New Indian Express](#)

Special Cover on Golden Jubilee year 2013-2014 of Rotary Club of Mulund - 1st July 2014.

Rotary Club of Mulund, chartered on 10th June 1964 is celebrating its Golden Jubilee year. On the occasion Maharashtra Postal Circle issued a Special Cover on 1st July 2014 at Mumbai. (Special Cover Approval No. MH/17/2014).



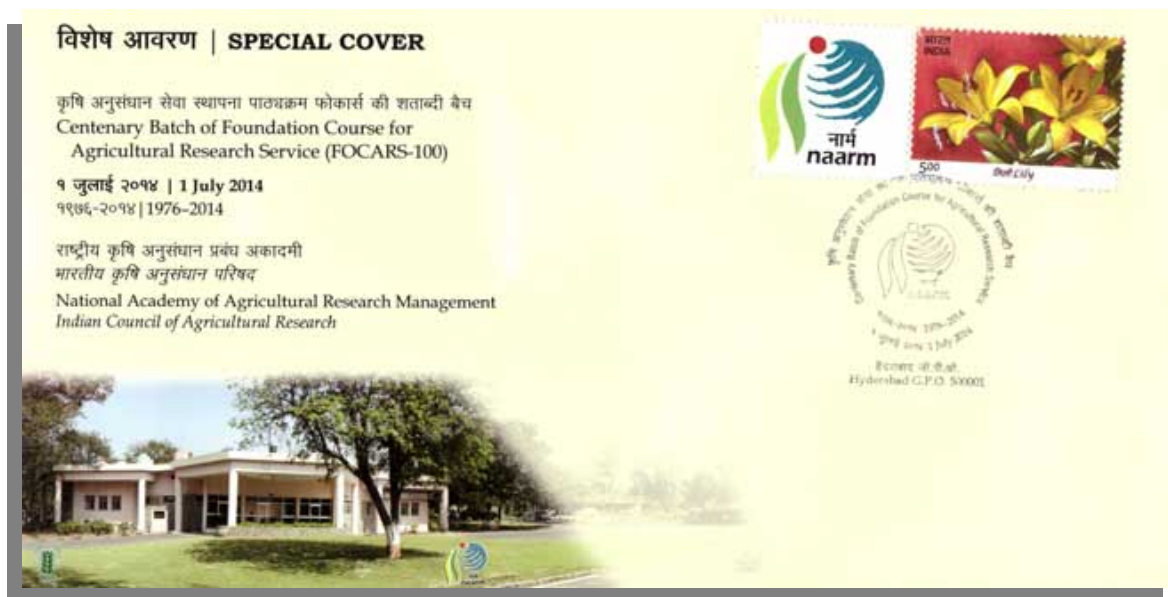
Courtesy: Ankit Agrawal, Pune

Special Cover on Centenary batch of Foundation Course for Agricultural Research Services and My Stamp on 'NAARM' - 1st July 2014.

The National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM), Indian Council of Agricultural Research was established in 1976 in Hyderabad with the Mission "To enhance Leadership, Governance and Innovation Capacities of NARS through Capacity Strengthening, Education, Research, Consultancy and Policy Support. The Foundation Course for Agricultural Research Service (FOCARS) is induction training for newly recruited scientists of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. The objectives are to train the participants in various aspects of agricultural research and project management including developing skills for managing interdisciplinary research. The first batch of FOCARS started on 1st Sept. 1976 and till the 99th batch 5,561 scientists were trained.

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan, renowned agricultural scientist, inaugurated the Centenary Batch of the Foundation Course for Agricultural Research Service (FOCARS-100) on 1 July 2014. The Andhra Pradesh Postal Circle issued a Special Cover affixed with the NAARM My Stamp to mark the occasion at the campus of the National Academy of Agricultural Research Management, Hyderabad on 1st July 2014. Dr. M. S. Swaminathan, released the Special Cover on FOCARS-100 and NAARM My Stamp with Smt. Mariamma Thomas, Director Postal Services, Andhra Pradesh Postal Circle and Dr. S. Ayyappan, Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research and Director-General, Indian Council of Agricultural Research. Ravi Viswanathan, Editor, NAARM who conceptualized the Special Cover facilitated the release. (Special Cover approval no. AP/04/2014)



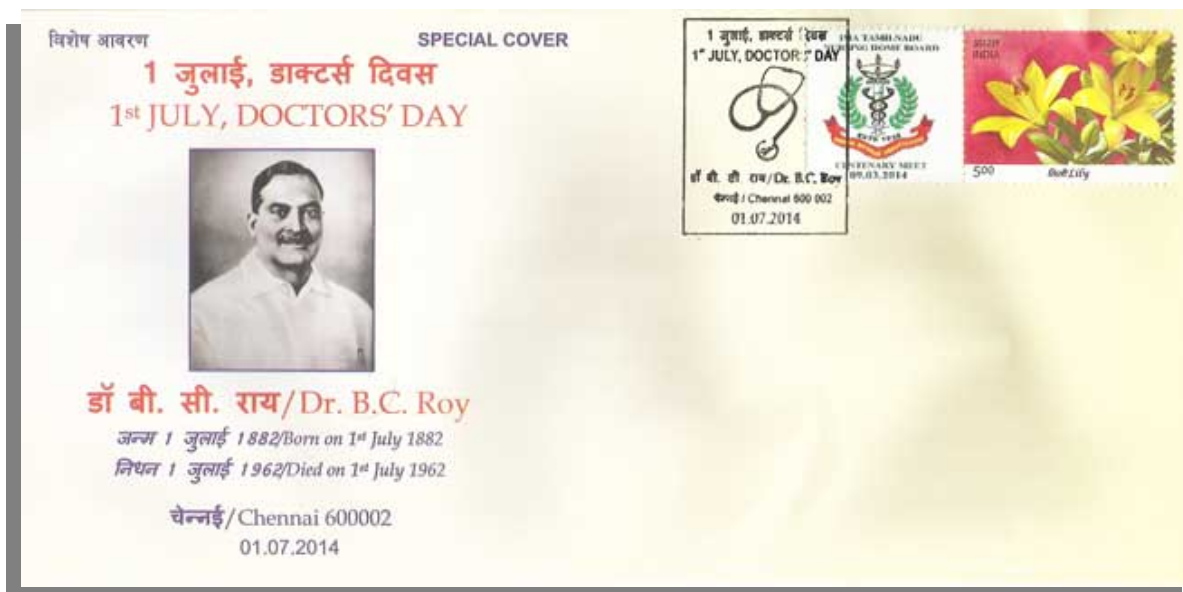


Courtesy: Ravi Viswanathan, Hyderabad

Special Cover on Doctor's Day - 1st July 2014.

In India, the National Doctors' Day is celebrated on the birthday of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy (and death day) on 1st July every year. He was born on 1st July, 1882 and died on the same date in 1962. Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, M.R.C.P., F.R.C.S. was a legendary physician and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal. He is one of the few people who completed both F.R.C.S. and M.R.C.P. simultaneously within only two years and three months. He was President of Indian Medical Association and Chairman of Medical Council of India and was awarded Bharat Ratna on 4th February 1961, India's highest civilian honour.

Tamilnadu Postal Circle issued a Special Cover to mark Doctor's Day on 1st July 2014 at Chennai. (Special Cover approval no. TN/06/2014)



Cover Courtesy: C. G. Bhaskar, Chennai

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- Online Philatelists' Directory: <http://www.indianphilately.net/memdir.html>
- Listing of Philatelic Organisations in India: <http://www.indianphilately.net/porg.html>
- Philatelic Org. abroad, specialized in Indian Philately: <http://www.indianphilately.net/porgos.html>
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- Virtual Exhibits: <http://www.indianphilately.net/vexb.html>
- List of Philatelic Bureaux of India: <http://www.indianphilately.net/pbureau.html>
- India Post Guidelines: <http://www.indianphilately.net/ipphilrules.html>
- Proposed Stamp issue Calendar: <http://www.indianphilately.net/2014prog.html>
- Post Independence Stamps list with keyword search: <http://www.indianphilately.net/stamps.html>
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