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MY HOBBY: FUNNY START – PASSION FOR LIFE

Copying a friend's hobby subject in a resume gave birth to a never ending passion for 'Numismatics' in case of Mr. Rohan Shah, who has been in love with his hobby for last four years. Recently Mr. Shah, shared the moments of his passionate journey that made him fall in love with his hobby. Excerpts from the interview:

Please tell us something about your collection and how did you start with it?

Aaaah..!!! My collection is my life now. It all started in a very funny manner. In our college days, my college had arranged Mock Interviews for placements, so that we all could get trained for actual interviews, where companies would come for recruitment process. For this we had to prepare our resumes, and me being a bit lazy boy, copied the whole resume of my friend by only changing my marks accordingly. My friend's hobby subject was 'Numismatics' and I copied the same. And to my hard luck, the Mock interviewer's hobby

was the same and she asked me questions related to numismatics which left me in a blank slate. She caught me but she gave me another chance by giving me some good info like what are coins, their mint marks and where are they minted and asked me to study well and appear again for the Mock Interviews. And this is how my Journey towards my newly cultivated hobby started...!!! An interesting love story with my Hobby..!!

How did you fell in love with coins?

Slowly, I started learning and gaining more information about coins and their mints. The beauty of the coins, their luster, UNC coins, proof coins, commemorative coins, different mint marks on coins, error coins & so many varieties in coins made me fall in love with them.

How long have you been collecting coins and is it everything related to coins or do you collect something else as well?

It has been almost 4 years now that I have been collecting coins & currency (Indian and Foreign) both. **Cont on 3rd page.....**

Mumbai Numismatic Fair: A Crowd Puller

Do you know that a Swiss Franc note has a sketch of Chandigarh city plan on one side or that Ghana is the only country that has printed photos of six of its presidents on a single note or that Myanmar has a denomination 35 note?

All this and much more came to the fore during an exhibition of coins, currency notes and postal stamps which was held at the World Trade Center, Mumbai during the three day Numismatic Fair between 23rd to 25th Septembet 2016.

The exhibition provided a platform for numismatists to exhibit their collections and exchange their thoughts with experts and other collectors. **History from different parts of the world and from different periods could be experienced under one roof.**

"Numismatics, which earlier used to be a hobby of schoolchildren, has been recreated as an alternative insurance avenue designed to endure economic crisis. People are so keenly interested in such exhibitions" says Mr. Rasik Paniker, a collector from Mumbai who was at the ICCG stall for his September issue of ICCG News. He added, "I have received my ICCG year planner as well and I have been a member of ICCG for long. It really feels so good to learn that ICCG is also coming up with its first

ever Numismatic Exhibition in January 2017. I was always sure of seeing ICCG coming up at such a grand level." **Cont on 7th page.....**

Subject to Mumbai jurisdiction



Mr. Rohan Shah



Ganapati Coin of Thailand





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Interview

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How was the support from your elders in earlier days?

I believe that if you are passionate about your hobby then I am sure there will be whole hearted support from your near and dear ones. And it was the same with me. My elders, cousins, relatives, friends all have helped me and supported me whole heartedly, giving their 100% on just seeing my passion towards my Hobby and love for COINS & CURRENCY.

How it feels to you see your collectibles today as this hobby has been a part of your life for quite sometime?

I think I would be short of words to describe how it feels to see my collectibles, but yes its been a part of my life and it makes me more aware of all the notes and coins I get to check it unanimously just to see if I can get something interesting in regular circulation. But I must say one thing that seeing my collectibles, it never sets me satisfied and contented and always the flame of hunger goes on increasing day by day to be the best and unique collector of the coins and currency.

Anything particular or any particular coin that has been more close to you among your collections?

Amongst my collection, the 1st ever coin I got from my grandfather is very close to my collection. It is a Two Annas coin of year 1900.

What kind of coins should one start with? Should one start with a particular theme?

If one starts with the theme directly, then I feel it would be more complex for him to follow that theme and he will be disheartened in a long run as he started with the complexity directly. So I would suggest that one should start with normal regular collection, that is being aware of the regular circulation and checking it properly and you might get several into your collection. And thereafter slowly and gradually one should also catch up to a unique base or theme and simultaneously work on it and collect it. For example, UNC Coins, Proof set Coins, Error Coins, Mint wise collection, Commemorative Coins etc.

How can one grow with his hobby?

To grow in this hobby, one requires true passion and desire to achieve it and follow it whole heartedly. One needs to be always updated on the news of this hobby, coins, currency etc. Also study books of different authors to gain more and more knowledge about it. According to me, Passion is the driving force that makes one enthralled towards this hobby and we feel fascinating to grow this hobby more deep in ourselves.

Have you displayed your collection in any exhibition?

Aaaahhh, not yet. But yes soon I will grow my collection to that level where I can exhibit it and inspire & encourage more young collectors and new collectors towards this hobby.

Do you display your collectibles to your friends and relatives, what reactions do you often get?

Yes, I do display my collectibles to my friends, colleagues, relatives and close ones. Firstly, looking to the collection they say "are you mad, collecting so much..!", but when I explain them the collection and their specialty and how did I collect them they feel amazed seeing my passion and hunger towards my collection. And then, they also start helping me in growing my collection by giving me what they have or they get or their parents and grandparents have. This is my also small way of spreading awareness about this hobby and get more involved in it.

How do you see young kids getting involved with this hobby?

I have seen many young kids getting involved with this hobby. All this is because nowadays you can easily get books, e-books, news on google etc. Also in recent times more kids are being encouraged and seen visiting various numismatic exhibitions which further help them in getting involved and attracted towards this hobby.

What would you advice to young coin collectors?

One should always keep his collection with proper care, safety and properly maintained. Also that, invest only 1/10th of your earning or savings. Just don't go out of the way to collect rare and different coins and currency. Just have faith in yourself and be patient and one day it will automatically come your way. Keep growing and be passionate towards your collection.

Any message for ICCG News?

Me giving message for ICCG News, it will be like giving message to a body that gives news and message to the whole world. I appreciate the efforts that ICCG News is taking, just to promote this hobby and to make people aware with the latest news on the subject of numismatics. Through ICCG, we came more and more close to new, old and respected collectors and the news on upcoming coins and currency. What I learnt from efforts of ICCG, is their message to world: "Do something you are passionate about, do something you love. If you are doing something you are passionate about, you are just naturally going to succeed, and a lot of other things will happen that you don't need to worry about. There are so many opportunities and choices that anyone can make about what they do. Do something you are passionate about. Life is too short." This is the sweet message we get from ICCG Newspaper, so my message is just short and sweet that keep doing the same thing and keep rocking this world through your Newspaper. I Love ICCG. You grow my passion and hunger more and more through your editions.



Collection of Rohan Shah

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Favorite coin of Rohan Shah

ICCG News wished Mr. Rohan Shah all the very best for his collection and thanked him for his valuable time and thoughts shared.



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Kota Coin Exhibition: A Date with History

In a treat for numismatists in the city, a two-day exhibition of ancient and rare coins, including those from the Mughal era, was held by Kota Philatelic and Numismatic Society and Rotary Club during the two day fair on 10th and 11th September, where coins of different antiquities and mints from different eras were showcased.

Coin collectors and dealers from different places, including Gujarat, Delhi, Dehradun, Mumbai and other places brought their collections and showcased the same.

Coins from various dynasties, British period, Awadh, Baroda, Gwalior, Mysore, Hyderabad, Maratha, Victoria and Sultan were displayed and sold.

However highlight of the fair were two Mughal era coins which were sold for 6.60 Lakh and 7 Lakh each. These coins were from the period of Shah Shuja who was the second son of the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan.

Apart of coins, a variety of weapons, including swords, daggers and arrows of different varieties, watches and other antiquities were also showcased.



India's Philately and Numismatics Company Soon to Be NSE Listed

Rudraksh Cap-tech Limited became the first BSE listed philately and numismatics company in India in September this year. The buyer of old and memorable Indian stamps, rare coins, historically significant editions of newspapers, and autographs announced that they have become the first company in this category to become BSE listed. The next objective, as the owners stated, is to become an NSE listed company.

Anirudh Sethi, whose vision laid the first stone for the company, recently told the press that the board of directors has already devised future plans to diversify their business interests in the fields of philately and numismatics. "We don't only engage in selling and buying stamps, coins and historic newspapers, but we also want to work in an advisory capacity to help collectors of these items in choosing and buying the rarest of the rare stamps, coins etc at best prices", told Sethi during a press conference as known by ICCG News.

The company understands that trust and reliability of their customers are the two biggest pillars of success, and they want to continue offering reliable services to their clients in every way possible.

"The process of stamp or coin collection starts right from online searching, which essentially boils down to searching in online directories. Many don't recognize that it's not just a hobby, but also a business opportunity. For example, an Indian stamp bearing the image of Gandhi was bought at rupees 10 back in 1948. But it can be sold at rupees 35,000 or above. It's an alternative investment option which many people fail to realize", Anirudh Seth argued during the press conference. Seth, who is highly active on Twitter and recently wrote a blog on the alternative investment option, is also of an opinion that investment in coins and stamps is even more profitable than investing in stocks.

"We look forward to getting listed as an NSE company too, which we believe would happen only in a matter of time. Our visionary and CEO Anirudh Sethi will soon fly to Luxemburg to generate interest about stamp and coin collection among non-resident Indians and foreigners", said Kumar Acharya, a spokesperson of Rudraksh Cap-Tech.

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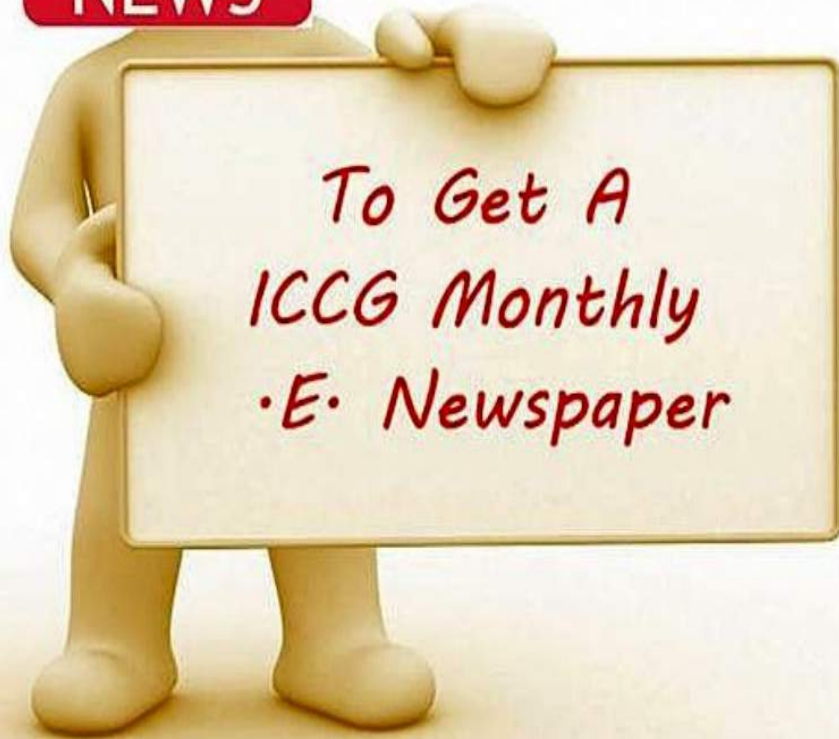
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Growing with the Hobby

For a school boy, collecting coins and currency notes was a hobby but slowly it has become a part of Mr. Ramesh Chand Saraswat's life. Recently Mr. Saraswat shared his collectibles and thoughts with ICCG News.... Excerpts from the interview:



Mr. Ramesh Chand Saraswat

Please tell us something about your collection?

I have a collection of Republic Coins (Regular Coins), Commemorative Coins and Coins of British Rule in India. I also have a collection of Bank Notes. All these coins and notes are grouped Governor-wise, Year wise and Fancy Notes.

How did you start with your collection?

When I was in Class 10th, my mother had some coins of British Rule. Seeing them, I desired to start collecting them.

How long have you been collecting coins and is it everything related to coins or do you collect something else as well?

I have been collecting them for the last twenty five years. I collect only coins and bank notes.

So after 25 years, how do you feel viewing your efforts?

I feel very nice. They still fascinate me.

Anything particular or any particular coin that has been more close to you among your collection?

All my coins are interesting. They are all equally close to me.

Could you suggest any theme or types of coins that one would like to start with?

One should start with coins made after 1949. They may collect them mint wise. This would really be interesting.

How can one grow with this hobby?

One needs to get in touch with the public. Tell the people around about your hobby. One needs to take help from the people around.

Have you displayed your collection in any exhibition?

Yes, several times. I have displayed them in Mudra Utsav held in Ahmedabad, Ujjain, Kota and Bikaner.

Do you display your collectibles to your friends and relatives? What reactions do you often get?

Yes. I show them to friends and relatives. They all like it very much. My nephew, who is a CA, has also taken up this hobby. My elder brother, who is now an AGM in Bank of Baroda, was at first annoyed when I started with this hobby. But now he too appreciates the collection.

How do you see young kids getting involved with this hobby?

It is very heartening. Children should be taught this. It is our heritage. The coming generations should get to see the old coins.

What would you advice to young coin collectors?

Start with the current coins so that it would be an easy way to make a collection.

Your views for ICCG News?

My message for the ICCG News is that you keep guiding us from time to time on matters related to coins and bank notes.

We thanked Mr. Ramesh Saraswat for his valuable time shared and wished him lots of success in future.

US Releasing Postal Stamp to Commemorate Diwali

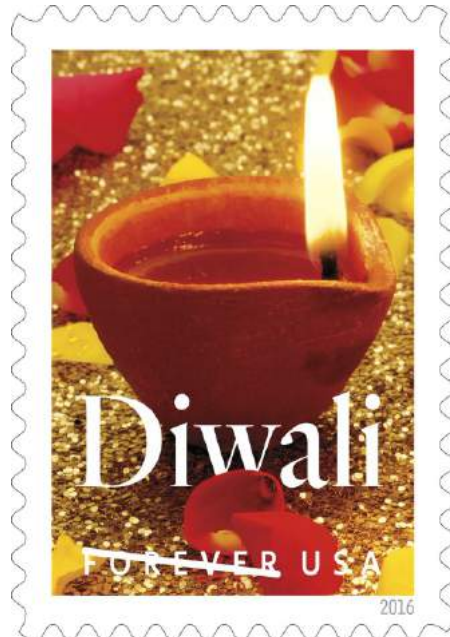
The United States postal service on Tuesday announced the rollout of a new postal stamp and it's one that's going to cheer all Indians. Commemorating Diwali, the stamp has a photo of an oil lamp with a cotton wick, traditionally lit everywhere to celebrate the festival, on a golden glitter background.

The postage stamp, which will be officially launched at a ceremony held by the Consulate General of India in New York on October 5 this year, is being issued as a Forever stamp in the US. This Forever stamp will also be equal in value to the current First Class Mail 1-ounce (INR 1) price. The stamp commemorating Diwali would certainly bolster the spirits of the 3.4 million-strong Indian American community in the US, one of the largest and fastest growing ethnic-groups in that country.

The photograph used for the stamp was taken by Sally Andersen-Bruce and it was designed by Greg Breeding, according to a national release on the website of the US Postal Service.

The stamp was designed based on public suggestions. The US Postal Service receives approximately 40,000 suggestions for stamp ideas annually from the public. Stamp subjects are then reviewed by a committee who choose approximately 25 topic suggestions for commemorative stamps, for the Postmaster General's approval as per the reports gathered by ICCG News.

Diwali, which is fondly celebrated by Indians across the globe to mark the triumph of good over evil, is also celebrated in the White House every year. This year the festival will be celebrated on October 30.



Coin and special cover mark Tagore's last visit to Mungpoo

KOLKATA: Seventy six years have passed by since Rabindranath Tagore last paid a visit to the sleepy hamlet of Mungpoo in the Darjeeling district. To commemorate the occasion, the Indian Post's West Bengal circle released a special cover on the Nobel laureate recently. Records say that on 21st August in 1940, Tagore had last visited this hamlet. If the cover designer's views are to be believed, there is a lot of interest among people to get hold their share of a piece of history.

Between 1938 and 1940, the poet had gone to Mungpoo four times over. The quiet ambience of the place lent itself to the environment the poet needed to pen his three poems, including 'Janmadin'. During his visit, he would stay at the bungalow of his protegee, Maitreyi Devi who herself is a renowned author.

Historical records state that he had first visited Mungpoo on May 21, 1938. The next year, he returned again on May 24. By September 12, he was back again. The last visit was on August 21, 1940. Memoirs of his stay in Mungpoo were published by Maitreyi Devi in her book titled "Mungpoote Rabindranath".

The bungalow where Tagore stayed was later converted into Rabindra Bhavan that is a museum of sorts of Tagore's photographs, paintings, writings and memoirs. "However, this bungalow is in acute need of restoration. Besides this bungalow, Mungpoo also has a Cinchona factory that is 150 years old. Both of them have a lot of historical significance," said well-known philatelist Alok K. Goyal who is also the designer of the postal cover as known by ICCG News.

A special medallion was also released to commemorate this event. While one has a bronze finish, the other is made of antique silver. The second coin has been designed to commemorate the 75th death anniversary of Tagore. On one side of the coin is inscribed a motif of the 'Jorasanko thakurbari'. The other side has a statue of the poet. Each limited edition coin has been priced at Rs. 1500.

To commemorate Tagore's last visit, the chief post master general of the West Bengal Circle released the special cover on Sunday afternoon. "We had designed two covers on Mahatma Gandhi. We had used a special technology called spot UV printing. Both glossy and matt looks are used. We had used both the technique for the Gandhiji covers. In case of Tagore's cover, we used an advanced version of the same technique. It is called high gloss UV with embossing. By using this technique, we can get the real feel of a statue on the cover," Goyal said.

Special post mark was also designed for this cover. "It has a sketch of Tagore. Each cover is individually numbered with its price printed on the backside of the cover. Only 1000 pieces of these covers have been released," he said. They will be sold from ePost and Kolkata GPO's Philatelic Bureau. Each piece is being pitched as collector's item and is priced at Rs. 100. "We have already been getting enquires regarding this from people who want to buy them for investment purposes," he said.



Gandhiji's pic to continue on currency notes: Govt

New Delhi: Government has no proposal to replace Mahatma Gandhi's photograph or add another leader's photo on currency notes as the matter has already been decided by a high-level committee during the UPA rule, Rajya Sabha was informed on 2nd August.

Replying to a question whether the government intends to replace or add photos of other leaders on currency notes, Minister of State for Finance Arjun Ram Meghwal said "a Committee was formed during UPA which has already decided that there is no need to change Mahatma Gandhi's photo on the currency notes."

During Question Hour, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said "the government takes a decision from time to time in consultation with the RBI" on what currency to be circulated.

"The design and security features of banknotes are decided by the Government from time to time, in consultation with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). The decision about the circulation of banknotes in the country is taken by the RBI," he said. ICCG News carried an article 'Why only Gandhiji on Indian currency notes?' in its February 2016 issue.

Asked whether government proposed to introduce a currency note or coin on B R Ambedkar to mark his 125th birth anniversary, Meghwal said government has already issued a non-circulation commemorative coin of Rs 125 and a circulation coin of Rs 10 denomination to mark 125th birth anniversary of B R Ambedkar, which was released by Prime Minister on December 6, 2015.

"I assure you that as per demand, we would increase the circulation of Rs 10 denomination coins bearing Ambedkar's picture. We will work towards providing more such coins," he told the members.

Jaitley, in reply to a question whether the government plans to introduce plastic currency notes, said "RBI has decided to procure the plastic substrate through open tender process for printing of plastic banknotes for trial purpose and accordingly initiated the process of procurement. Pre-qualification bid has been floated for the purpose", as per the reports with ICCG News.



RBI says Rs. 10 Coin is valid, those refusing to accept may Face Legal Action

The Reserve Bank of India on September 20 said the Rs 10 coin was very much in circulation and those refusing to accept it could face legal action, setting to rest rumors that the coin was banned.

Reports have poured in of shopkeepers, kiosks owners and auto rickshaw drivers in and around Delhi returning Rs. 10 coins and asking for currency notes after a message was shared widely on social media, which claimed the coin was declared invalid by the central bank.

“Nothing of that kind has happened. We have not even thought of it,” RBI spokesperson Alpana Kilawala said. “People should not hesitate in using the coins for transactions as these coins are legal tender.”

Some rumors said counterfeit coins in two designs had flooded the market. The others claimed the RBI had phased out the coins and those in circulation were fake. There was also talk of the gold polish coming off.

“Nobody is accepting Rs. 10 coin. They say the coins are fake,” claim many people in Gurgaon. Similar reports have come in from national capital region towns such as Faridabad, Noida and Meerut.

People even visited banks to exchange the coins for notes.

“Passengers do not want the Rs. 10 coin. I try to reason with them but to no avail,” says an auto rickshaw driver in Delhi.

In June, the RBI issued a new Rs. 10 coin, six years after it was introduced. Coins are minted at four government mints in Mumbai, Kolkata, Noida and Saifabad and Cherlapally in Hyderabad.

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Banknotes printed as recently as in 2016 were also in demand for their 'fancy' serial numbers. A bundle of Rs 100 denomination got sold at Rs 15,000 because they were in a series starting with '000001'. Also the coin from 2010 was special because it was misprinted. Such coins are quite rare. Thousands of visitors were seen visiting the fair in these three days, from all over the country.

The stamps of Kapil Dev and Sachin Tendulkar were much sought-after by college students at the exhibition. Three auctions were also organized and held as it has always been a part of these coin fairs.



12,000 Fake Coins of Rs. 5 Denomination Seized

Gurgaon: Two persons were arrested for allegedly procuring and supplying counterfeit coins to retailers in Gurgaon. Police seized a car full of 12,000 fake coins of Rs 5 denomination at a barricade in palam vihar.

Police said the crime branch had stopped a car during a routine check at a barricade in Palam Vihar on 16th September night.

On checking the vehicle, they found bags full of Rs 5 coins. Suspicious of their authenticity, they got the coins checked by bank officials, who told them the coins were counterfeit. They were metal discs painted with a lead-based silver and gold paint.

The two persons, identified as Paltu Mahato and Shiv charan of Bihar living in Uttam Nagar in Delhi, were arrested. Mahato told the police that he and his accomplice would buy fake coins from Delhi at low prices and sell them to small retailers in vegetable markets or those who would require loose change in the city. The two persons were arrested under sections 242 (intentional possession of counterfeit coins), and 243 (intentional possession of Indian counterfeit coins) of the IPC. They were produced in a city court, which remanded Mahato to one-day police custody and Shiv Charan to judicial custody.



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Coin of the Month

An OMS (Off-metal Strike) coin of the republic India.

This type of error occurs when the coin is minted on a metal that it is not intended for. This is an OMS (Off-metal Strike) 2 rupees coin which is minted on a Nickel-Brass planchet.



Coin Description :-

Value: 2 rupees. **Year:** 2012.

Mint: Mumbai

Origin Metal: FSS (Ferritic Stainless Steel) **OMS Metal:** Nickel-Brass

Obverse: The center portion bears the 'Lion Capitol' of Ashoka Pillar with the legend 'Satyameva Jayate' inscribed below. Each side portion contains the word 'Bharat' and 'INDIA'.

Reverse: Denomination and date below Rupee symbol flanked by Lotus flowers.

OMS error coins are normally quite sought-after. This coin of the month is chosen from the collection of Shri Siddharth Shah's collection from Mumbai.

Counter sale of Commemorative coin sets at India Government Mint, Mumbai

Sr. No.	Theme	Year	Denomination	Sale Price
1	Saint Alphonsa (Single)	2009	5 Rs	306
2	Homi Bhabha Birth Centenary- (Proof)	2009	100 & 10 Rs	4589
3	60 Years of Commonwealth (Proof)	2009	100 & 5 Rs	4503
4	100 Years of Indian Council of Medical Research - (UNC)	2012	100 & 5 Rs	3003
5	150 Years of First War of Independence - Reminted (UNC)	2012	100 & 5 Rs	2911
6	K Kamraj - Reminted - (Proof)	2012	100 & 5 Rs	3354
7	K Kamraj - Reminted - (UNC)	2012	100 & 5 Rs	2911
8	150th Birth Anniversary of Madan Mohan Malaviya (Proof)	2013	150 & 5 Rs	3944
9	150th Birth Anniversary of Madan Mohan Malaviya (UNC)	2013	150 & 5 Rs	3511
10	150 Years of Kuka Movement (Proof)	2013	100 & 5 Rs	3944
11	150 Years of Kuka Movement (UNC)	2013	100 & 5 Rs	3511
12	60 Years of Coir Board (Proof)	2014	60 & 10 Rs	3939
13	60 Years of Coir Board (UNC)	2014	60 & 10 Rs	3355
14	150th Birth Anniversary of Motilal Nehru (UNC)	2014	150 & 5 Rs	3516
15	150th Birth Anniversary of Motilal Nehru (Proof)	2014	150 & 5 Rs	3992
16	Acharya Tulsi Birth Centenary (Proof)	2014	20 & 5 Rs	3518
17	Acharya Tulsi Birth Centenary (UNC)	2014	20 & 5 Rs	2988
18	International Day of Yoga (Proof)	2015	100 & 10 Rs	4032
19	125th Birth Anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar (Proof)	2015	125 & 10 Rs	4032
20	Golden Jubilee of 1965 Indo-Pak War (Proof)	2015	50 & 5 Rs	4032
21	150 Years of Allahabad High Court	2016	150 & 5 Rs	4032

Note:

- The coin sets available for countersale can be purchased by visiting the counter in person only.
 - No request for booking & delivery through post will be entertained & Mint will not be responsible for the demnd drafts / pay orders sent by post/courier for booking these coin sets.
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List of Commemorative Coin Sets 1964 Onwards

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Year	Theme	Issued	Issued	Year	Theme	Issued	Issued
1950	Definitive Set – Anna Series	Proof	UNC	1954	Definitive Set – Anna Series	Proof	UNC
1962	Definitive Set – Decimal Series	Proof	UNC	1964	Jawaharlal Nehru	Proof	UNC
1967	Definitive Set – Decimal Series	Proof	UNC	1968	Definitive Set – Decimal Series	Proof	-
1969	Mahatma Gandhi Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	1970	Food for All	Proof	UNC
1971	Food for All – FAO Series (Re- issue)	Proof	UNC	1972	25th Independence Jubilee	Proof	UNC
1973	Grow More Food – FAO Series	Proof	UNC	1974	Planned Families – FAO Series	Proof	UNC
1975	Equality Development – FAO Series	Proof	UNC	1976	Food and Work for All – FAO Series	Proof	UNC
1977	Save for Development – FAO Series	Proof	UNC	1978	Food and Shelter for All – FAO Series	Proof	UNC
1979	Happy Child Nations Pride	Proof	UNC	1980	Rural Women's Advancement	Proof	UNC
1981	First World Food Day	Proof	UNC	1981	International Year of Child (29.gms)	Proof	-
1981	International Year of Child (Piedfort 58.gms)	Proof	-	1982	IX Asian Games	Proof	UNC
1982	National Integration	Proof	UNC	1985	RBI Golden Jubilee	Proof	UNC
1985	Indira Gandhi	Proof	UNC	1985	International Youth Year	Proof	UNC
1986	Fisheries – World Food Day	Proof	UNC	1987	Small Farmers	Proof	UNC
1989	Jawharlal Nehru Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	1990	Food for Future	-	Collector pack
1991	37th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference	Proof	UNC	1991	Tourism Year	Proof	UNC
1992	National Land Conservation – Land Vital Resources	Proof	UNC	1992	Quit India Movement	Proof	UNC
1993	89th Inter Parliamentary Union Conference	Proof	-	1994	ILO World of Work	Proof	UNC
1994	Year of the Family	-	Collector pack	1996	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose	-	Collector pack
1996	2nd International Crop Science Congress	-	UNC	1996	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel	Proof	UNC
1997	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose	Proof	UNC	1997	50 Years of Independence	Proof	UNC
1997	Cellular Jail	-	UNC	1998	Sri Aurobindo	Proof	UNC
1998	Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das	Proof	UNC	1999	Chhatrapathi Shivaji	Proof	UNC
1999	Saint Dnyaneshwar	Proof	UNC	2000	50 Years of Supreme Court	Proof	UNC
2001	Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee	Proof	UNC	2001	Bhagwan Mahavir 2600th Janm Kalyanak	Proof	UNC
2002	Lokyanak Jaya Prakash Narayan	Proof	UNC	2002	Sant Tukaram	Proof	UNC
2003	150 Glorious Years of Railways	Proof	UNC	2003	Veer Durgadass Rathod	Proof	UNC
2003	Maharana Prathap	Proof	UNC	2004	150 Years of Telecommunication	Proof	UNC
2004	150 Years of Indian Post	Proof	UNC	2004	K Kamraj	Proof	UNC
2004	Lal Bahudur Shastri	Proof	UNC	2005	75 Years of Dandi March	Proof	UNC
2006	Jagath Guru Sree Narayana Gurudev	Proof	UNC	2006	Mahatma Basaveshwara	Proof	UNC
2006	200 Years of State Bank of India	Proof	UNC	2006	50 Years of ONGC	Proof	UNC
2007	Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak	Proof	UNC	2007	150 Years of First War of Independence	Proof	UNC
2007	75 Platinum Jubilee of Indian Air Force	Proof	UNC	2007	50 Years of Khadi and Village Industries	Proof	UNC
2008	Shaheed Bhagat Singh Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	2008	Ter Centenary of Gur-Ta-Gaddi	Proof	UNC
2009	Saint Alphanso Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	2009	Perarignar Anna Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC
2009	60 Years of Common Wealth	Proof	UNC	2009	Louise Braille 200 th Birth Anniversary	Proof	UNC
2009	Homi Bhabha Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	2009	Dr Rajendra Prasad 125 th Birth Anniversary	Proof	UNC
2010	Rabindranath Tagore 150 th Birth Anniversary	Proof	UNC	2010	Mother Teresa Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC
2010	Reserve Bank of India Platinum Jubilee	Proof	UNC	2010	C Subramaniam Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC
2010	1000 Years of Brihadeeswarar Temple	Proof	UNC	2010	XIX Common Wealth Games	Proof	UNC
2011	New Series Coinage	-	UNC	2011	150 Years of Income Tax	Proof	UNC
2011	100 Years of Civil Aviation	Proof	UNC	2011	100 Years of ICMR	Proof	UNC
2011	150 Years of CAG	Proof	UNC	2012	60 years of Kolkata Mint	Proof	UNC
2012	60 Years of Parliament	Proof	UNC	2012	150 Years of Kuka Movement	Proof	UNC
2012	150 th Birth Anniversary Motilal Nehru	Proof	UNC	2012	150 th Birth Anniversary Madan Mohan Malaviya	Proof	UNC
2012	Silver Jubilee of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi	Proof	UNC	2013	150 th Birth Anniversary Swami Vivekananda	Proof	UNC
2013	125 th Birth Anniversary Maulana Abul Kalam Azad	Proof	UNC	2014	Acharya Tulsi Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC
2014	60 Years of Coir Board	Proof	UNC	2014	Centenary of Komagata Maru	Proof	UNC
2014	Begum Akhtar Birth Centenary	Proof	UNC	2014	125 th Birth Anniversary Jawharlal Nehru	Proof	UNC
2015	Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata	Proof	UNC	2015	50 Years of BHEL	Proof	UNC
2015	Swami Chinmayananda	Proof	UNC	2015	Yoga Day	Proof	UNC
2015	Birth Centenary Rani Gaidinliu	Proof	UNC	2015	Golden Jubilee of 1965 Operations	Proof	UNC
2015	125 th Birth Anniversary Dr BR Ambedkar	Proof	UNC	2016	150 Years of Allahabad High Court	Proof	UNC

Event's Time 10.00 Am - 7.00 Pm

Month	Date	Events Name	Venue
October	1 & 2	Chalanacha Pravas 2016	Muktangan Hall, Khare Mandir, Miraj, Sangli, Maharashtra.
October	21, 22, 23	Puratatva Mudra Utsav - (Jabalpur)	Jalsa Hall, 4 Floor, Hotel Grend Samdariya, Jabalpur, M.P
October	22, 23, 24	C.G.Gandhipex - (Raipur)	City Mall 36, Telibandra, Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
November	4,5,6	Coin Festival - (Indore)	Sajan Prabha, Vijaynagar Square, A.B Road, Indore, MP
November	4,5,6	Nellai Coins Expo - (Tirunelveli)	KRR irumana Mandapam, Nr. New bus Stand, Tirunelvi, T.N
November	5, 6, 7	99 Annual Conference of Numisatic Society of India	Lonavala, Maharashtra
November	7, 8, 9	Virasat 2016 - (Gwalior)	Art Gallery(Kala Vi ika) Padav, Gwalior, Madhaya Pradesh
November	11,12,13,	Delhi Numismatic & Philatelic Fair (New Delhi)	All India fine Arts & craft Society 1,Rafi marg, Newdelhi
November	14,15,16, & 17	Display of Numismatic & Philatelic Fair (New Delhi)	All India fine Arts & craft Society 1,Rafi marg, Newdelhi
November	18,19,20	Coinex 2016 - (Mumbai)	Sunderbhai Hall,Behind Income Tax Off, Churchgate,East Mumbai, Maharashtra
November	25, 26, 27	SIPA Diamond Jubilee Stamp Exhibition - (Chennai)	St. Bede's Centenary Auditorium, No. 37, Santhome High Road, San thome, Chennai.
December	3 & 4	2nd Numisphila Expo 2016	The district tourism promotion councils hall, Kottakunnu, Malappuram, kerala.
December	9, 10, 11	Coinex - (Pune)	Sonal Hall, Karve Road, Pune, Maharashtra.
December	10, 11, 12	Jharkhand Jam Coin - (Jamshedpur)	Tulsi Bhavan, Inner Cir Road, Bistupur, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.
December	16, 17, 18	Coimbatore Coin & Stampex 2016	Kalamam Duraisamy Hall, Ram Nagar, Near Central Bus Stand, Coimbatore, TN
December	23, 24, 25	Mudra Utsav - (Kolkata)	Haldiram Banquet Hall, Ballygunj, Kolkata, W.B
December	24, 25,26	Autographex & Stamp Fair - (Kolkata)	Haldiram Banquet Hall, Ballygunj, Kolkata, W.B
December	24, 25	1st National Numismatic Conference 2016 - (Mumbai)	Sathaye College, Dixit Road, Vile Parle East, Mumbai, Maharashtra.
2017 January	5, 6, 7, 8	Tanapex - (Chennai)	Amma Arangam, Community Hall, Shenoy Nagar, Chennai.
2017 January	6, 7, 8	Rare Fair - (Nashik)	Indrapras Hall, Old Gangapur Naka, Gangapu Road, Nashik, Maharashtra.
2017 January	20,21,22	ICCG Numismatic Expo - 2017	Expo Center, World Trade Center, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai, Maharashtra.
2017 January	27,28,29	NAGMONEY 2016	Ramgopal Maheshwari Sabhagruha,beside Mor Bhavan, Jhansi Rani Square,sitabuldi, Nagpur.
2017 February	24, 25, 26	8th National Numismatic Exhibition - (Bangalore)	The Bell Hotel, Near Bangalore City Railway station, Bangalore, karnataka.
2017 April	1 & 2	Ahmedabad Coins & Currency Fair	The President Hotel, off C.G.Road, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad.

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2nd October 2016	Horizon Auction I	London, U.K.		Online & Floor Bidding
7th & 8th Octo 2016	Marudhar Arts E-Auction No. 34	www.marudhararts.com		Online Bidding
16th October 2016	Imperial Auctions No. 3	www.imperialauctions.com		Online Bidding
28th October 2016	Rajgor's Auction No. 55	www.rajgors.com	3.00 Pm Onwards	Online Bidding
5th November 2016	Rajgor's Auction No. 56	Indore Maha-Mudra Utsav 2016 Sajan Prabha Garden, Vijaynagar Square, Indore	6.00 Pm Onwards	Online & Floor Bidding
18th November 2016	Todywalla Auctions No. 105	Coinex Mumbai @ Sunderbai Hall, Behind Income Office, Churchgate Station (East), Mumbai.		Online & Floor Bidding
19th November 2016	Bombay Auctions No. 9	Coinex Mumbai @ Sunderbai Hall, Behind Income Office, Churchgate Station (East), Mumbai.		Online & Floor Bidding
19th November 2016	Oswal Auctions No. 63	Coinex Mumbai @ Sunderbai Hall, Behind Income Office, Churchgate Station (East), Mumbai.		Floor Bidding
20th November 2016	Oswal Auctions No. 64	Coinex Mumbai @ Sunderbai Hall, Behind Income Office, Churchgate Station (East), Mumbai.	11.00 Am Onwards	Floor Bidding
20th November 2016	Bombay Auctions No. 10	Coinex Mumbai @ Sunderbai Hall, Behind Income Office, Churchgate Station (East), Mumbai.	6.00 Pm Onwards	Floor Bidding
26th November 2016	Todywalla Stamp Auction No. 7	St. Bede's Centenary Auditorium, Santhome High Road, Santhome, Chennai.	11.00 Am Onwards	Floor Bidding
10th December 2016	Imperial Auctions No. 4	Coinex Pune @ Sonal Hall, Karve Rd, Pune.	12.30 Pm Onwards	Floor Bidding
10th December 2016	Oswal Auctions No. 65	Coinex Pune @ Sonal Hall, Karve Rd, Pune.	06.00 Pm Onwards	Floor Bidding
24th December 2016	Classical Numismatic Gallery Auction No. 26	Mudra Utsav @Haldiram Banquet Hall, Ballygunj, Kolkata.	11.00 Am Onwards	Floor Bidding
24th December 2016	Marudhar Arts Auction No. - 22	Mudra Utsav @Haldiram Banquet Hall, Ballygunj, Kolkata.	6.00 Pm Onwards	Floor Bidding
7th January 2016	Rajgor's Auction No. 58	Indraprastha Hall, Old Gangapur Naka, Gangapur Road, Nashik.		Floor Bidding
7th January 2016	Oswal Auctions No. 66	Indraprastha Hall, Old Gangapur Naka, Gangapur Road, Nashik.		Online & Floor Bidding
19th & 20th Jan2017	Stephen Album Auction No. 27	Santa Rosa, California, USA	3.00 Pm Onwards	Online & Floor Bidding
21st January 2016	Imperial Auctions	Expo Center, World Trade Center, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai, Maharashtra.	12.00 Pm Onwards	Online & Floor Bidding
February	Oswal Auctions No. 67	Ahmedabad		Online & Floor Bidding
April	Oswal Auctions No. 68	Mumbai	1.00 Pm Onwards	Floor Bidding
April	Classical Numismatic Gallery Auction No. 26	The President Hotel, off C.G.Road, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad.		Floor Bidding



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Gahlot said, "The ASI has confirmed that the coins were rare, belonging to the Indo-Greek, Shershah Suri and other eras. Eight coins date back to more than 2,000 years."

He said the customs will now ask the people who carried the coins to join the investigations.



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