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## Just within five months of High Court Notice against Fancy number notes, many of them to be auctioned in Pune.



In mid July this year, MP High court slapped notices to the Union Ministry of Finance, The RBI and also to a couple of online selling portals against the selling of fancy number currency notes (currency notes bearing serial numbers which read as 786786 or 111111 or 000786 or else).

Interestingly the practice of selling circulatory currency notes (with fancy serial numbers) is still booming and many of such notes are also a good part of the auction list number 23 of the 'Classical Numismatic Gallery' which is to be held on 11th December, 2015 at Sonal Hall, Pune.

It is felt that people in India have a lot of respect for fancy numbers and holy numbers like 786 but the

As per the report published in The Hindustan Times (July 15, 2015): It is one kind of black marketing of currency notes and such auctioneers are encouraging speculators. It can have larger repercussions on our economy. They (which include dealers, online portals and such auctioneers) are stopping free flow of currency in the market, holding the unique digit denominations of currency notes and auctioning them at a higher price.

"It is the responsibility of the finance ministry and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to make stringent laws to safeguard interests of the people as the currency of India regulates the economy of the country... If such kinds of activities are (allowed to continue), it may cause an adverse effect and hamper the economy forcing people to indulge in speculative activities and cause financial damages and hardships", advocate Abhinav Dhanodkar told the court.

After hearing the petition, the high court's division bench comprising justices PK Jaiswal and TK Kaushal slapped notices to the online portals and also to the ministry of finance and the governor of the RBI.

But just within five months we are just to witness many such currency notes being auctioned in Pune (Maharashtra).

## India-Singapore ink key agreements, launch joint postage stamp

Singapore: Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Singaporean counterpart Lee Hsien Loong launched a joint postage stamp featuring the presidential residences of both the countries to mark the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.



The stamp has pictures of the Istana of Singapore, and the Rashtrapati Bhavan of India, as known by ICCG News.

The two leaders launched the stamp at the Istana. Modi's visit also commemorates the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Singapore and India this year, and underscores the excellent and longstanding ties between the two countries. A complete set of stamps will cost Singapore \$2.30 (US \$1.6) while a pre-cancelled First Day Cover

affixed with stamps will cost \$3.20 (US \$2.26). The stamps can also be purchased online.

During his visit, Modi met Lee, President Tony Tan Keng Yam and Emeritus Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong.

## Turkey issues special stamp featuring PM Narendra Modi



ANTALYA: A personalized postage stamp featuring Prime Minister Narendra Modi was issued by Turkey in remembrance of the just concluded G20 Leaders Summit here.

The stamp of 2.80 Turkish lira bears a picture of Modi and the Indian national flag. It has 'Narendra Modi - Prime Minister of Republic of India' written at the bottom.

Personalized stamps of G20 Turkey Summit Leaders were presented by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in remembrance of G20 Turkey Leaders Summit, the official twitter handle of G20 Turkey Leaders Summit tweeted.

In all, 33 stamps including of the leaders of the 19 biggest and most powerful economies of the world and the European Union were issued.

Mr. Modi attended the Summit in this Turkish resort town on November 15 and 16.

Other world leaders featured include US President Barack Obama, Russian President Vladimir Putin, Chinese President Xi Jinping, UK Prime Minister David Cameron, Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull, Brazilian President Dilma Roussef, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and European Council President Donald Tusk.

Even though French President Francois Hollande cancelled his visit to the Summit due to the Paris killings, a stamp in his honor too was issued as known by ICCG News.



Best wishes for "Happy Christmas"

## Fake Indian Currency Notes seized from Indo-Bangla border



KOLKATA: The Border Security Force (BSF) seized Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICN) of face value Rs 15,85,000 close to the Indo-Bangladesh border near Kaliachak in Malda on 14th November. The FICN was thrown across the border by Bangladeshi criminals to their Indian counterparts. The Indian criminals fled on being challenged.

"Around 1.30 am on 14th November, troops of the Sasani Border Outpost in the Kaliachak police station area of Malda received information of an effort to smuggle FICN into India. The troops planned a special operation

near BOP Sasani BSF troops laid a special operation near the BOP Sasani, under Police Station Kaliachak, Distt- Malda. Before long, suspicious movement was noticed on the other side of the International Border. Taking advantage of poor visibility, they threw a plastic bag across the fence and fled. Miscreants from the Indian side attempted to collect the bag but ran away towards the nearby village on being challenged by the troops," a senior officer said, as per the reports gathered by ICCG News.

On opening the bag, the special operation party found FICN bundles. While there were 1,185 notes of Rs 1,000 denomination, 800 were of Rs 500 denomination. They were wrapped in plastic cover. The fake notes were handed over to the Kaliachak police station.

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## Surveillance project: In Phase 1, Mumbai gets 1,381 cameras at 434 locations

With the new systems in, they can now change locations with the flip of a switch and zoom into the footage if they spot anything suspicious.

Mumbai : The much awaited Phase 1 of the Mumbai CCTV surveillance project was inaugurated by Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Monday. The event was also covered by ICCG News.

Six years ago, the Ram Pradhan committee had recommended bringing the entire city of Mumbai under CCTV surveillance so as to strengthen the city's security after the 26/11 terror attacks. However, the project faced many obstacles and got delayed under the Congress-NCP-led government.

Present for the occasion were Mumbai Police commissioner Javed Ahmed, Additional Chief Secretary-Home KP Bakshi, State Chief Secretary Swadheen Kshatriya, State Gaurdian Minister Subhash Desai among other dignitaries.

### Over 6,000 cameras to be installed in three phases for 100% surveillance

To bring Mumbai city under 100% CCTV surveillance, more than 6,000 cameras would be installed and the work will be completed in three phases. The first phase comprises Colaba to Worli patch including Mumbai sessions court at Kalaghoda, Girgaon chowpatty, Mumbai port trust, Crawford market etc. In this phase, a total of 1,381 cameras are mounted at 434 places. The control room and command centre for the CCTVs is the Police Commissioner's office.

Speaking at the event, Mumbai Police commissioner Javed Ahmed said: "Mumbai is now 24/7 under CCTV surveillance. It is an extra eye for the Mumbai Police. This digital surveillance will help not only to reduce crime but for quick response to emergencies". It is a big day for the Mumbai Police, he added.

While inaugurating the project, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis thanked IT and construction major Larsen & Turbo under whom the project is implemented. Fadnavis promised that the remaining two phases of the CCTV surveillance project would be completed by October 2016. Once that is done, Mumbai will be the largest city in India to be 100% under CCTV surveillance.

**"The security of the city is a big challenge for the police and this technological patrolling will help them with prevention of crime, detection, prosecution, and convection," the CM said.**



## Stamps, parcels worth Rs 8,000 looted from post office

Coimbatore: Cash, stamps and parcels totally worth about INR 8,000 have been stolen from a post office at G N Mills area in the city, police said. The Assistant Post Master, Muthusamy had lodged a complaint yesterday morning that he found the locks of the post office broke open and cash and other articles missing, police said.

According to the complaint, INR 840 in cash, stamps worth INR 563, inland worth INR 400 and two parcels valued at INR 6,500 were missing from the office, they said.

Police are on the lookout for the culprits as per the reports gathered by ICCG News.

## Goa Coin Festival – 2015



The Exhibition and Trade Fair of Coins, Banknotes, Collectibles and Stamps, was held at Institute Menezes Braganza, Panji, Goa from 3rd to 6th December, 2015

## Thousands of Histories: Not in Books but in Collection

Coins do speak!! And 45-year-old Mumbai-based Mahavir Mehta has heard thousands of coins echoing various stories from the past. Every single coin has a history behind it and he has been collecting coins since his childhood. He started with collecting stamps, but began building a coin collection which has kept growing for more than three decades. Recently Mr. Mehta, who is also a poet and author of a book on ghazals, spoke to ICCG News about his stamp collection, coin collection and more.....

**Excerpts from the interview:**

**From when have you been collecting coins?**

I have been collecting coins from the age of nine years.

**What type of coins do you collect?**

I collect just every type of coins. I have a collection of old Indian coins, some as old as 2000 years old, Mughal coins, British India coins, republic India coins and also world coins. Every coin has a different story behind it and just every different coin is what I collect.

**What made you so passionate towards coin collection at that young age?**

When I was about 9 years old, I used to collect stamps. My neighbor was into import and exports and most often I found many envelopes with him with few stamps. He used to give me those empty envelopes and that's how I started collecting stamps. I had a good collection of stamps then. About a year later, one of my friends got a collection of old Indian coins and that collection got me passionate towards collecting coins as well.

**And how the growth has been since then?**

After a short pause, Mr. Mehta continues.... Growth was always in regards of interest of the subject and passion, collection just kept growing accordingly. For any type of hobby, one needs to have interest and passion from within. Its of no use to grow a collection just for the sake of growing it tall.

**But Mr. Mehta's collection is indeed huge. Our next question to him was: How do you add coins to your collection?**

I always keep looking for different coins, as I find them, I purchase them or exchange but in anyways I have always tried adding coins to my collection. Till date I have never sold any of my coins. Today I have a collection of more than 30,000 coins.

**So is it only the coins or did you also continue with stamps?**

I did continue with stamps for sure. Today I have quite a collection of some very rare stamps as well, but its only that I am just a bit more passionate towards coins when compared to stamp collection.

**You started collecting right from your school days, so how was the support from your friends?**

Well, here I would like to share one of my childhood experience. When I was in forth standard, one of my friends who had some East India

Company coins told he would sell me a coin for 10 rupees, whereas one of my other friend gave me an offer of hundred rupees for the same coin. So I purchased the coin from one friend and sold it to another with 90 rupees profit. That episode made me realize that one could also earn through this hobby.

**And how many coins were sold after that?**

No, that was only in those schooling days. But as I mentioned earlier, I did never sell any of my collectible coins. Today I have been collecting for some 45 years and I wish to collect more till next ten years, after which I would categorize all my coins and write notes where needed and exhibit them, which is my goal.

**How do you see the future of your collection?**

I would pass on this to my children and I would like them to continue for sure. Every single coin has a history behind it and all our Indian coins are our heritage. Today I have more than 30,000 coins, which means 30,000 pieces of histories. There is so much to learn and study, so much fell proud of.

**And how do you see your children continuing with this? Have you seen them showing interest with your collection or do they have some other hobby?**

Well, I have two sons and at present both are studying. During their free time, I do show them few coins from my collection and they do take a lot of interest when I share the history behind those coins and tell them about their rarity. But only time can say, how good would they continue. The best part that I see today is the level of interest and respect that they have for my collection and I only hope and wish they may

take it forward.

**Any particular coin that is very dear to you?**

Every coin is equally dear to me and I suppose for every serious collector as well. It's a different thing that few coins could be rare or very rare. Yes, there are many coins with me which are very rare. For example, I have one silver coin of King George of the year 1944 with a technical minting error. Such a coin is indeed a very rare find.

**How far do you see your collection in next ten years?**

As I mentioned earlier, at present I have more than 30,000 coins and I see to touch at least one lakh coins. I also have minimum 10,000 stamps in my collection which would also add for sure.

**What has been the source of information to your coins?**

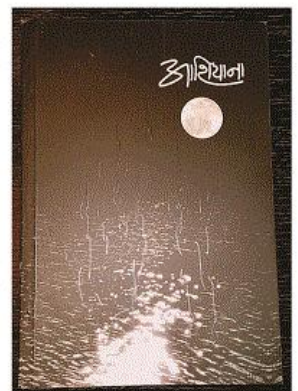
There has been quite a few sources. Few of my good friends are coin vendors and dealers. Incidentally, the chief editor of your Newspaper Mr. Siddharth Shah is also a popular coin dealer from Mumbai and a good friend of mine from where I get a lot of information on new coin bookings and coin exhibition announcements. Other to this I do a lot of research on old coins through internet and also read a lot of books on old coins as history was always a subject dear to me. I am basically a stock broker so its my job to do a lot of research before investing and the same goes with my hobby as well.

**You also write 'Ghazals' .....**

Yes, 'Ghazal' is one of the best corner stone of Poetry. With the help of Ghazal, I can convey a real message and it is also poetic in its length. I have recently written a book of 'Ghazal' named 'Aashiyana'.

**Now it was time clicking few snaps of the collection, which could only be valued in lots of efforts and immense passion of more than 30 years.**

The team ICCG News thanked Mr. Mahavir Mehta for his time and thoughts which he shared with us and also wished him lots of success in future.



### Coin Dealer Selling 'fakes' And 'altered' Coins Exposed On 'facebook' Gives Written Apology After Threatening The Whistle-blower Collector.

Coins of interest to collectors often include those that circulated for only a brief time and the sheer variety of minted error coins adds excitement and uniqueness in collecting them. Accidental error coins are perhaps the most sought after and in modern minting are usually very rare, making them valuable to numismatists.

As research about error coins has increased, they have gone from being lumped into one large category called "freaks" to being divided up into clearly defined groups. This makes collecting them more interesting as one gets to learn the various causes within the error coins.



But at the same time, many coin dealers have been selling 'fakes' and 'altered' coins with a tag of 'mint errors'. And very often collectors get cheated through such coins. Awareness and exposing such dealers (who sell fake and/or altered coins) is one of the better ways to stop such practices.

Very recently on a social networking site 'Facebook', we successfully exposed one such dealer from Mumbai, who used to alter 10 rupees bi-metallic coins and sell them at huge price claiming them to be minting errors.

**Coin Alteration:** The dealer manually removed the inner rings of 10 rupees bi-metallic coins, and sold the outer (brass) rings as minting errors at very high prices. Despite multiple warnings he was seen continuing selling such altered coins. Finally, the issue was posted on 'Facebook' which begot a great amount of damage to the name of the dealer.

**Threats:** As soon as the issue was posted on 'Facebook', the collector was threatened to withdraw the post but as the threats continued, very soon the issue became a part of discussion among many collectors. One of the collectors posted a video which showed a very simple way to remove the inner rings from a 10 rupees coin with just a help of a battery and a hammer, without damaging the surface of the coin.

Later the dealer apologized verbally to the collector and gave a written statement that such activities would not be repeated again.

Numismatic community in India is growing, and holds no intolerance against such issues anymore. Collectors are coming forward to speak the truth.

Ashish Parui

### Jodhapex-2015, 7th Jodhpur District Philatelic Exhibition

Jodhpur: The 7th District Level Philatelic Exhibition was held on 7th and 8th December 2015. The exhibition was inaugurated by Shri K. K.



Yadav, Director Postal Service, Jodhpur on 7th December 2015. During the exhibition two special covers on 'Rajasthan's State tree - Khejri' and 'The Blue City Jodhpur' was released. Stamp design and letter writing competition was also held for school children during the exhibition.

### Going, Going, Gone...!! Indian Numismatics Achieves A Milestone With Todywallas 100th Auction.



It was in the year 1989 that Todywalla did their first auction and official coin exhibition at Nagpur, before which there used to be few unofficial small coin fairs at Calcutta (now Kolkata). In 80s, Todywallas used to

do an auction in one or two years. But since 2004 they started doing more and more auctions. At present they conduct around six to ten auctions a year. Their auctions are often conducted during a coin exhibition anywhere in India. And surely, their auctions have seen a good growth from 150 lots to 900 or 1000 plus lots per auction. Recently, Todywallas conducted their 100th auction and not surprising, the auction was just a big success.

Shri Farokh S. Todywalla, who runs the auction house, is a pioneer in the field, is very much a prominent part of the global Indian numismatic scenario and is actively involved with many national and international associations.

**Highlights of the Auction:** Of the 200 slots that went under the hammer 02nd December evening, item number 180 was the most significant at Todywalla Auction House's 100th auction. A rare collectible from 1918, a two-rupee-eight-anna note, went for Rs 6.4 lakh. The note belonged to a time when the British were thinking of converting the Indian currency of Rupee-Anna to the dollar and cents system. It has an image of King George V, and is signed by M M S Gubbay. At the Wankhede Stadium's MCA Lounge, the auction had a wide and extensive range of items, including ancient Roman coins from 100 AD to currencies produced during British rule.

"Our estimates before the auctions were Rs 1.74 crore, but we surpassed that amount and have amassed a total of Rs 2.09 crore. Though there were a couple of items that went unsold, we had a great rally for a lot of the coins, especially from The East India Company era," said Shri Farokh Todywalla. The item that fetched the highest price was a rare gold coin from the Vijayanagar Empire that was bought by an anonymous bidder for Rs 27.5 lakh, a little more than its base price of Rs 25 lakh.

"Coin collectors are a mixed bunch – it could be a salaried person with humble resources, buying coins worth Rs.1,000 a month, or industrialists and professionals who could spend much more. Todywalla Auctions offers pieces from Rs.500 to many lakhs. And guidance is always available, on how to start and build a collection. The idea is to nurture a collector." Farokh Todywalla.

ICCG News congratulated and thanked Farokh Todywalla for all his contribution to Indian Numismatics and also for achieving the milestone of 100 successful auctions by felicitating him a shawl.



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Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

2.From which year 10 rupees Bi-Metal coins started minting for circulation?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

3.What was the background color of the Proof set coins commemorating 'Small Farmer', when they were released??

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

4.At the time of its release, what was the booking price of the proof coin set commemorating 'Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

5.Coin commemorating '25th Anniversary of independence day' was issued in which year?

Ans: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Coin of the month

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Product type: Coin Year: 2015 Country: USA.

Metal: 1 oz. 999 Silver with Gold select  
Shape: Round Diameter: 39 mm

Obverse side: Front facing face of Santa Claus and 'Christmas' and year around below.

Reverse side: Seasons Greetings mentioned on the reverse.



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### Match the following coins with their year

1964	1995	1996	1976	1975	1972	2010	1969	1981

### True / False

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| 1.King William 1 Rupee coin was issued in 1862.               | True / False |
| 2.Victory Queen ½ Rupee coin was issued in 1840.              | True / False |
| 3.George Fifth 1911 coin of one Rupee is called 'Pick Rupee'. | True / False |
| 4.1938 coin of one Rupee was Issued in Copper.                | True / False |
| 5.Mahatma Gandhi Coin was issued in 1869.                     | True / False |

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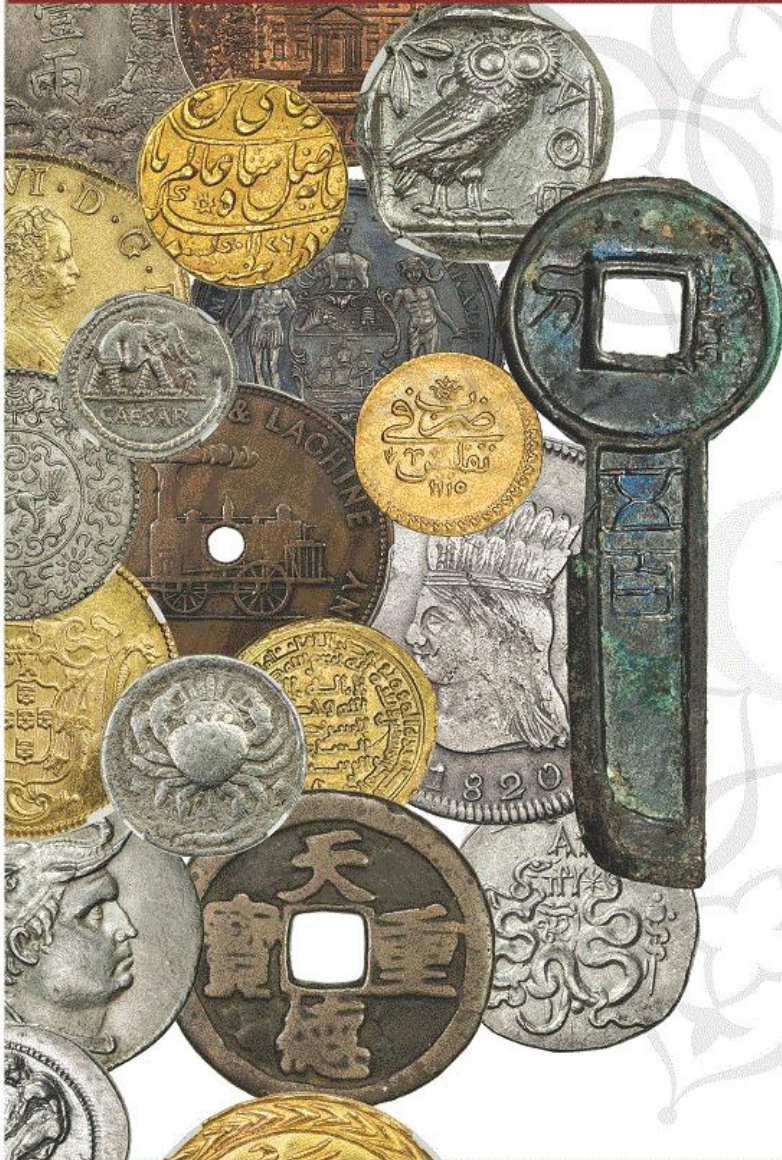


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## Growing with the Hobby and also encouraging it in Nagaland:



We have all seen many collectors being connected with their various hobbies, but this time ICCG News got to share thoughts of a young coin collector who has not only been promoting numismatics in Nagaland but has also provided platform for others to begin with. Very recently Mr Kuthoi Yeptho, a young numismatist from Nagaland spoke to ICCG News. Excerpts from the interview:

**Tell us something about your collection:**

I collect republic Indian coins, notes & medals. I also collect British India coins and I am collecting these for some ten years now.

**And how did this start?**

I started by collecting old currency notes and coins (which were no more in circulation) from friends, and that's how my interest grew towards this hobby.

**From which coins did you start?**

I still remember starting with the sets of 1, 2 & 3 paise aluminum coins.

**What inspired you towards this?**

I was inspired by the form of fascinating information and meaning that are associated with each different type of coins, notes and medals.

**What difficulties do you face or one may face to while collecting these coins or notes?**

It asks for a lot of efforts. Few rare coins are very costly and it becomes difficult to block huge amount for just one coin. Moreover searching it in circulation also seldom gets fruitful. Indeed lots of patience and efforts are required, but surely the good old exchange policy always works fine.

**Have you ever shared your collection with anyone?**

Yes, I often share my collectibles with my family and friends and they too have always been quite supportive.

**Any particular coin that's most valued by you or very close to you?**

Not any in particular really – my every collectible is equally close to me.

**We have learnt that you also promote hobby and very recently you have come up with first ever numismatic shop in Nagaland, so how important do feel the hobby is for any person?**

Any hobby helps people in many ways. It educates us and helps us grow. Collection could be of just anything, its only



about being passionate towards.

**And how this hobby help you grow?**

Yes for me, it was always coins and currency notes. Coins and notes represent rich history and cultural heritage. Each coin has a story to tell as it has some figure or photo on it which has a meaning for and projects a message or represent some historical moment. Collecting coins and notes is a very useful and effective hobby as one is engaged in a constructive manner and it stimulates one's creative side.

**Tell us something about your numismatic shop, which is the first in Nagaland.**

The coin shop was opened not as a profit-making establishment but a semi-voluntary enterprise which will act as a hub for those keen in collecting and auctioning pre-independent and British India coins, Indian definitive coins, currencies etc. The shop has also put on display a number of coins, old, rare and new for the viewing pleasure of coin collectors.

**And what about displaying them in (coin) exhibitions?**

No, I have not done it till now and there are also no such plans for near future

It was just so nice sharing few moments with Mr Kuthoi Yeptho. For ICCG News, he said,

"Continue in the effort to encourage many more people especially the younger generation to inculcate the passion.

**" We thank him for his precious time and hope that he may just continue with his collection and may keep on with all his good work.**



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### Children's Day with ICCG News

ICCG News celebrated 'Children's Day' on 14th November which is the birth anniversary of India's 1st Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Children's Day was celebrated at the ICCG News office at Raghuleela Mall, Mumbai, where children were gifted with 1 coin each commemorating various freedom fighters and also few foreign coins of which children seemed to be more excited.



### KhadiHundi Notes



The Instrument of credit employed by bankers is a form of note called as "HUNDI" The Hundi follows a prescribed standard form with several functional variations, represents the indigenous banking system what the cheque does for the modern banking. The First KhadiHundi notes were issued by the "All India Khadi and Village Industries Board" a Government of India- aided institute for the uplifting of the poor classes of people residing in small village. Khadi is a type of cloth which is handspun and hand woven. The term Hundi as used in Indian monetary affairs indicates a bill of exchange, a type of promissory note which can pass from hand to hand and is redeemable to the bearer. The KhadiHundies were exchangeable only for khadi Clothes. The notes themselves were printed on handmade paper. The First Issue of a (Rs. 5) Five Rupees Green note and (Rs. 10) Ten Rupees Purple note, as expressed on their face, Lapsed in validity on March 31.03.1955. The second issue, issued in 1957 / 1958 included 2,5,10 and 100 Rupees notes issued by "Khadi and Village Industries Commission" at present time there is no such KhadiHundi program in force.

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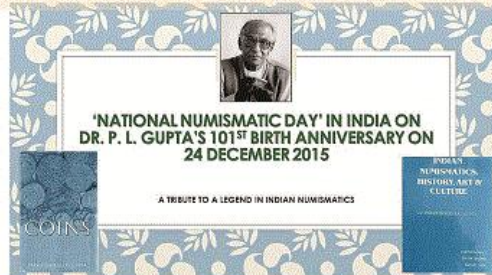
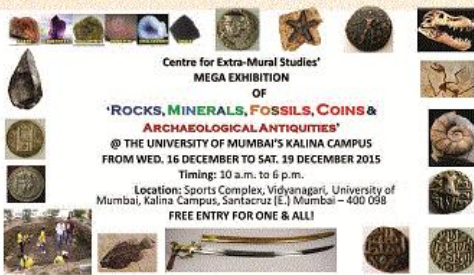
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- 2016 January 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> :- RARE COIN FAIR @ Indraprastha AC Hall, Old Gangapur Road, Nashik 2, Maharashtra.
- 2016 January 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> :- NAGMANI COIN EXHIBITION @ Ramgopal Maheshwari Sabagruh, Mor Bhavan, Sitabuldi, Nagpur. Maharashtra.
- 2016 February 3<sup>rd</sup> :- TODYWALLA AUCTION #101 @ MCA Hall, Wankhade Stadium Churchgate, Mumbai Maharashtra.
- 2016 February 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> :- UJJAIN COIN SOCIETY @ Prem Chhaya Parisar, Chamunda Mata Chouraha, Near Dewasgate Bus Stand & Railway Station, Ujjain M.P.
- 2016 February 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> :- GUJARAT COIN SOCIETY COIN FAIR @ Sardar Patel Seva Samaj Hall Mithakhali Six Road, Navarangpura Ahmedabad.
- 2016 February 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> :- 7<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL NUMISMATIC EXHIBITION @ The Bell Hotel, Majestic. Next To Bangalore City Railway Station, Bangalore.
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## Commemorative Coins of Modern India: Year wise & mint wise journey with ICCG News

Commemorative coins of India are usually issued to celebrate some special occasion or to mark a special event. They also have been issued as a mark of respect towards some distinguished individuals or monument. Indian commemorative coins were issued from the 1964 onwards. Such coins have a distinct design with reference to the occasion on which they were issued. Few coins of this category serve as collector's items only, although most commemorative coins are issued for regular circulation. Modern and Commemorative Indian Coins are very interesting to discuss as they cover various topics like Indian Independence Struggle, War, Peace, Wildlife, Vegetation, Great Personalities, Various Events and Organizations. The highest valued coin is INR 1000 that was issued on the occasion of 1000 years of Brihadeeswarar Temple. In 1 set, there may be 2 to 9 coins of different denominations.

**MINTS:** Commemorative coins are made at various mints across India including the ones at (Bombay) Mumbai, Noida, (Calcutta) Kolkata & Hyderabad.

This issue onwards ICCG News would be sharing year wise details of commemorative coins of republic India, starting from 1964, when the first modern commemorative coin was issued, depicting India's first Prime Minister **Jawaharlal Nehru**.



Issued Year - 1964.  
Denomination - 1.Rupee & 50.Paisa  
Mint - Mumbai & Kolkata

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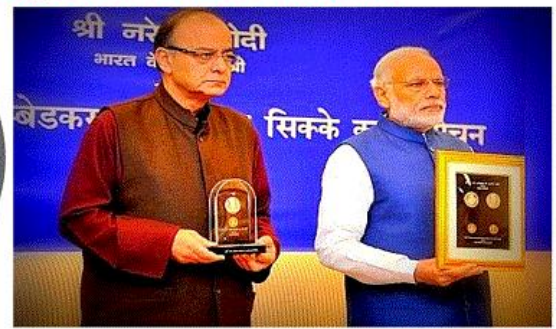
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## PM Modi Releases Rs.125 Commemorating Coin Honoring Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar.



**New Delhi:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi released two commemorative coins of Rs 125 and Rs 10 denomination as part of the 125th birth anniversary year celebrations of BR Ambedkar. The coins were issued on his death anniversary December 6th, which is being observed as "Mahaparinirvan Divas of Babasaheb Ambedkar".

Addressing a gathering at his residence, the Prime Minister said that there were only a few individuals who remain alive in public consciousness, even 60 years after their death. He said the more one recalls Ambedkar's thoughts, in the context of issues currently faced by India, "the more we come to respect his vision and his approach to inclusiveness".

The Prime Minister said that while his contributions towards social justice have been recognized, his economic thoughts and vision are still not fully understood, and these need to be appreciated.

Modi said, Ambedkar and the Constitution of India should always be discussed and talked about in this country, and the observance of Constitution Day on November 26, was a step in that direction.

He appreciated Ambedkar's vision on subjects such as women empowerment, India's federal structure, finance and education, a press release issued by Prime Minister's Office said.

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley and Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Thawar Chand Gehlot were present on the occasion.

Earlier in the day, Modi paid floral tribute at the Dalit mascot's statue in Parliament House lawns.

"Remembering Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar on his Punya Tithi," he posted on Twitter along with a photograph showing him and Ambedkar's statue.

