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Shri. Balakrushna Kar

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Senior Numismatist Shree. Girish Veera presenting the ICCG Lifetime Achievement Award to Shree. B K Kar during the ICCG EXPO 2017 at The World Trade Center, Mumbai.



Shri. Balakrushna Kar

Shri. Balakrushna Kar from Odisha has been actively involved with numismatics for more than five decades as a collector, as an educator, as a mentor and as a dedicated forward thinking leader. He created the oldest blog 'beekar-the-numismatist' on Indian Error Coins which has already been a great learning guide for many coin collectors and continues with every update in the simplest language.

A teacher by profession in Secondary schools in Orissa for 38 years, Kar sir retired in 2007. His works include writing article on different coin websites and books on various topics. Few books written by Kar sir include: C programming for beginners, Graphics programming with C, Common snakes of Orissa, A dictionary of Geometrical constructions, A guide book for teachers-How to teach Geometry to secondary students & The science of Apiculture. Presently, he is giving free coaching in Mathematics and Science.

Shri Balakrushna Kar was honored with the ICCG's 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award at the ICCG EXPO, World Trade Center, Mumbai. This award was presented to him for his outstanding contributions to organized numismatics. Recently Mr. Kar shared his views on his collectibles and more.... Excerpts from the interview:

How did you fell in love with coins?

In the year 1958-59, when I was reading in class VI, one of my class mates brought some foreign coins and showed me those coins. I was very much delighted, when I saw his coins. Next I requested him to give me one of those coins. But he bluntly refused to give me any. Hence I thought that I should also collect some coins for myself. Next I visited grocery shops of my village and asked the shop keepers to give me some foreign coins, which they gladly complied and I was able to collect a few coins. But as foreign coins were seldom available, I thought of collecting Indian coins which were plenty in circulation.

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Educational Exhibition of Coins, Currency Notes and Stamps in Residential Society



Mumbai: A unique exhibition of old coins, paper currency, stamps and other artifacts is nothing short of a great history lesson. For anyone interested in history, the natural starting point of the learning curve would be books. But for some people, that process alone doesn't do it. Meet the numismatist **Shri. Narendra Panchal from Mumbai**, who believe in the evidence of objects to be exhibited as those are not just objects – it is history itself.

Recently on 13th October 2018, Mr. Panchal organized a small Numismatic and Philatelic exhibition in his 'Vaibhav society compound' which drew a lot of attention from the residents of his society and also from the neighboring societies as well.

Rare collectibles in stamps, coins and currency were on display at the exhibition. Every coin and currency is a piece of information for students. The old currency in the denomination of Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 500 which are fairly bigger in size puzzled the visitors. The exhibition was a great success which was well contributed by Mr. Panchal's wife Nayna and his son Master Kaushik. Mr. Panchal also gifted stamps to all the children and suggested their parents to open a PDA account in GPO for stamps.

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At that time I was given no pocket money to spend. Hence I collected Indian coins design wise, one coin collected from each design. For example I collected one 1 paise coins with the horse design, one half anna coin with Bull design.... Etc. Thus my collection continued during my student career. At that time there was no Internet, no Face book, no Whatsapp, no Mobile phone facility, no expert to guide about coin collection, neither any book on coin collection. So no chances to know about new issues, mint marks, die varieties etc. Hence my collection was chaotic and half hazard.

In 1980, I got a book on COINS OF INDIA, written by D.Chakravarty of Kolkata from my teacher Major S C Mohanty. This book proved a good source of knowledge and I got good information on coin collection.

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 coins from 1958-59. I also collect stamps, took part in a number of exhibitions organized by Odisha Postal Circle and won many medals for my exhibits. My favorite collections are—REFUGEE RELIEF, ERRORS ON EMBOSSED ENVELOPES... etc.

While serving as a teacher in P.K.Bidyamandir, DOMPARA, I also collected a number of specimens of dead snakes (both poisonous and non-poisonous) found in my locality and exhibited those in a Science Exhibition organized at BK BIDYAPITH, BANKI. With the knowledge gained with study of snakes, I also wrote a book in Odiya—“COMMON SNAKES OF ODISHA” which was selected as a library book and was distributed to Secondary Schools by Govt. of Odisha.

How was the support from your elders in earlier days?

My Professor, Major SC Mohanty, Ravenshaw College helped me a lot in my collection of stamps and Coins. Some of my relatives also gave me some coins of British India for my collection.

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

During my free time, I often open my coin albums and see my collection. I feel very happy to see my collection. I retired from my Govt services in July 2007. My hobby of coin collection keeps me busy during my retired life.

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

Though I stay in a very small village in Odisha, far from the nearby towns like Cuttack and Bhubaneswar, I could collect a very rare coin— A 5 rupees coin commemorating “World Science Congress” from circulation. After getting it, I thought it to be common commemorative coin. But later, I came to know that this coin is one of the rare coins of India. I am very happy to collect this coin at face value.

During daily transactions, my wife found a 1 rupee coin, which had Ashokan lion image on both sides. When she showed it to me, I found it to be 'brockage error coin'. I was extremely happy to get this coin from circulation and that too in face value. I love this coin very much.

One of my ex-students presented me with a 5 rs CN coin which had lion image and image of 5 on both sides. It was a 'Flipped double struck coin on center'. I love this coin too very much.

One of my friends, **Mr. Ashok Arora of Kanpur**, sent a beautiful 10 rs Bi-metal coin with MAD error as a gift for my collection. I love that coin from the core of my heart. Never seen such a beautiful MAD error coin in my collection period.

Lastly I am going to tell about one of my most favorite coins. All friends know that 5rs CW Games and Tagore coins were minted by Kolkata mint without any denomination. Though, I bought the 5rs CW Games without any denomination from the dealers, as their price was less, did not venture to buy the Tagore coin from dealers because of the sky high price. But my eldest son got this Tagore coin without any denomination from circulation and this rare error coin was added to my collection.

Collection of Shri. Balakrushna Kar



1 Rupee 2008, Kolkata Mule coin



Mad Error

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What makes error coin collectible different from other collectible coins?

Error coin collectibles are completely different from other collectible coins. Every collector of error coins should have a clear picture of the process and steps in minting a coin and the collector should have knowledge as to why a particular type of error may have occurred. You can add a number of coins to one's collection, which have the same type of error. For example in case of coins with Die Axis Rotation error. One can add this error seen in different issues. Even one can add this error present in a particular issue from 1 O'clock to 11 O'clock with a normal coin to make a complete set as one of our friend and numismatist Mr. Mayank Agarwal from Varanasi collected a set in 10 rs bi-metallic coins from circulation. Similarly one can try in Off Center strikes. He can create a set of error coins having different percentage of Off center strike coins. This also applies to other types of errors also.

Whereas some collectors collect only commemorative coins, one coin from each type. Some others collect Commemorative coins mint wise. Some others collect both regular and commemorative coins. Some collectors also collect those coins which they got from circulation only. Some only prefer collecting UNC coins only. Some collectors collect coins based on a particular theme. For example some collect coins on birds, some collect coins on animals, some collect coins on ships etc. These thematic collections are completely different from general collections. Hence collection of error coins is completely different from collection of other collectible coins.

Please tell us something about your blog (Beekar). How and when did you start it?

I got a broadband connection in 2010 and got a chance to surf the net. I was impressed with the blog posted by Mr. Kuldeep Singh. Seeing the contents posted in his blog, I thought of creating a blog for coin collectors. I thought of putting a short description about the issue of each coin along with some technical data about the year of issue, metal used, dimensions (weight, diameter and shape), mint of issue and KM number (to help foreign viewers). These are included to help coin collectors of the world, who love to collect coins of India.

I also tried to add some die varieties found. Gradually, I added a page describing Mint error coins, Fake coins of India etc.

This blog was created towards the last part of year 2010. At present the number of visitors to my blog has crossed 11,50,000. This indicates that my blog is very much helped the collector's community.

Where do you see the numismatic industry going in the future?

The future of the numismatic industry will not be very good, as I see that many coin dealers are selling Fake duplicate coins and notes to collectors, some are not sending coins or notes after receiving the money, some are advertising to sell coins or notes by showing photos of the items which are not in their stock. Some people are taking steps to expose these fraudsters, but this can get completely eliminated only if collectors get proper knowledge about coins.

Any particular problem that you face while doing your collections?

Though I am an ardent lover of error coins, the high rates those are offered for sell, keeps me at a distance from those items. I do not venture to buy those at such a high rate.

Again I am also not able to buy some rare coins absent in my collection as price of those are offered at a 5 figure rate.

Many of you might have read my post—"A new member in my collection", posted on my (Face Book) time line on 27.09.2018. After reading it everybody will easily understand which type of difficulties we face in doing our collection.

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

In my opinion one should start his collection from coins found in circulation, should read books and posts on coin collection to gain knowledge about this hobby. Exchange coins with nearby collectors. Lastly buy coins from reliable dealers to fill up blanks in their collection.

Thematic collection is a very good venture, but very difficult to achieve, unless you buy coins from dealers or make some foreign friends and get your required coins through them.

How can one grow with this hobby?

Time, knowledge and love for the coins are the best factors to grow with this hobby. No outstanding collection can be developed in a single day. Collectors' motto should be—"Slow and steady wins the race".

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Collection of Shri. Balakrushna Kar



1996 – 2ND INTERNATIONAL CROP SCIENCE CONGRESS COMMEMORATION ISSUE

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

Whenever any friend or relatives come to my place, I always show them my collections. Their reactions, always is, "Wonderful collection. We have never marked that such coins exist in circulation". They also express their happiness after seeing the error coins and tell, "We have never seen such coins in our lives".

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

To save heritage, young kids should be taught about this hobby by initiating seminars and small coin shows in schools by taking permissions from school authorities. They may be given some coins as a gift to encourage this hobby.

What would you advice to young coin collectors?

Young coin collectors should be advised to start their collection by collecting coins from circulation, from friends and from elders in their family. They should be given idea about the condition of the coins fit for collection, otherwise they will collect some damaged coins for their collection.

Do you feel that numismatics as a subject, should be encouraged among students? Maybe through few numismatic exhibitions and similar activities like vacation camps?

I strongly agree with it.

Today there are many fake coins (collectible commemoratives, errors and scarce) being seen in the local market, in almost every city. So how can we see an end to this, as just reporting the matter hardly helps?

I have collected many fake regular coins from the cash box of some of my ex-students maintaining Grocery shops. Though they constantly deal with coins, they have no knowledge in identifying the fake coins given to them by customers. I always try to explain them how to identify fakes, but no significant results have been achieved. They remain so busy, it is impossible for them to detect fake coins.

In a number of eBay and face book advertisement, I have seen many fake coins (Commemoratives, errors and scarce coins) are offered for sale. Unless and until the buyers are trained to recognize these fakes, this practice of selling fakes will never end. The budding collectors should take the opinion of seniors about the genuineness of the coin, they wish to buy. This may reduce the sale of fakes.

How do you see our news paper contributing to numismatics?

Your news paper is doing a great job in contributing knowledge to the world of numismatics.

Anything else that you may like to share from your experience from the Indian Numismatic world?

I am very disappointed as some dealers are cheating their customers, by not delivering the coins even after being booked or by sending them fake or sub-standard items, declaring those to be items of very good grade.

I myself was cheated by a Delhi based seller, who sold me polished coins, telling those to be UNC. Another seller of Gujarat sold me an error coin with partial brockage, which was later found to be man made.

I wish that strict steps be taken to minimize these incidents.

Any message for ICCG News?

ICCG News is doing a commendable job for promoting numismatic hobby. Many thanks to Siddharth N Shah and the editorial staff for their efforts in promoting this hobby.

ICCG News team thanked Shri. Balakrushna Kar for sparing time and sharing his thoughts with us and wished him all the very best for future.

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Numismatic Exhibition at Govt. Women's College



Chintamani: Senior numismatist Shri. Hosaagrahara Krishnamurthy K Ramarao's 90th exhibition was recently held at Govt. Women's College, Chintamani last month. The town is about 80 kms fro Bengaluru.

This town which is in Chikkaballapur dist. of Karnataka now was ruled by different rulers and dynastys like Cholas, Vijayanagara empire, Gangas, Mysore Wodeyrs, different paleyars, Tippu sultan, British and many of the locan chieftians. During the 12th century the area was under the control of Kopparakesarivarman Vikrama Chola. As per history, Chintamani Rao, a Maratha Chieftain was the last ruler and it is believed that the town has been named after him. A few structures and monuments like a kalyani near Railway station, an inscription on Vasavi Kanyakaparameshwri Temple, architectural features of a few temples like Naganatheswara Temple are evidences of the past. Even the temple and writings seen at Alambagiri, street lamps t Azad Chowk, the fort like wall and watch tower on Anjanadri Hill are suffice to authenticate. Lot of tourist spots are there in around the place - Ambajidurga, Kaiwra Kshetra, etc.

The college has student strength of more than 2700 studying in both PG and UG in different faculties like Arts, Science and Commerce. The most energetic and dynamic Dr. Raghu, HoD History, provided me the oppurtunity. Prof. K.R. Shivashankar Prasad, Principal inaugurated. Prof. C. Rangaswamy of Govt. First Grade College, Chikkaballapur . Chief Guest delivered a lecture on the inportance of Numismatics to history. Dr. Raghu briefed about the development of coins from early historical period. Prof. Sridevi, Asst. Profs. K.N.Satish, G. Venkatachalapathy and H.D. Ashok of History Dept. helped students in viewing and understanding the importance of the displayed coins. Dr.Muniraj, Hod Zoology, Dr. Thammanna Reddy of Commerce Dept., Dr. Naveen Kumar, HoD Economics, Prof. Nazeer Ahmed, HoD Microbiology and others perused the exhibits. It was an enjoyable experience to get treated to Sweets, Cake, Puff, other snacks and umpteen numbers of coffee and tea from the kind hearted students.

Source: Article by Shri. Hosaagrahara Krishnamurthy K Ramarao

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Minting of Rs. 10 Coins Cut by Half Due to Non-availability of Raw Material

KOLKATA: A delay in procurement of raw material for coins has forced Reserve Bank of India to cut its demand for Rs 10 coins by half, raising the specter of shortage in circulation.

RBI, which manages the supply, adjusted the entire coin indent plan for FY19 by raising the demand for smaller denomination of coins in lieu of Rs 10 coins, following India Government Mints' failure to procure Rs 10 coin blocks on time, according to official documents.

The Security Printing & Minting Corporation of India (SPMCIL), which controls four government minting units – in Kolkata, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Noida – had told RBI in August that it had no option but to revise the denomination wise production plan due to “unavoidable delays in procurement of Rs 5 and Rs 10 coin blocks”.

Accordingly, the four units under SPMCIL are told to mint 200 crore pieces of Rs 10 coin, instead of previous indent of 400 crore pieces was discussed at a production planning meeting at Department of Economic Affairs on October 3 where representatives from RBI were present.

“Ministry has since ratified the indent as requested by SPMCIL and accepted by RBI,” the Corporation said in a communication to the heads of four minting units on October 4.

This change could disrupt RBI's coin management plan, people close to RBI's currency management system said. The central bank was in favour of growing the circulation of Rs 10 coins, the highest-denomination coin minted in India since its introduction in 2005, amid persistent high inflation over long time, one person said on the condition of anonymity.

Even in FY18, RBI had indented 300 crore pieces of Rs 10 coin but due to logistic issues, the mints had supplied merely 76 crore pieces. At the end of March, 505 crore pieces of Rs 10 coin were in circulation.

Under the revised plan which was approved by the monetary authority, SPMCIL told the minting units to raise the production of Rs 5 coins to 113.2 crore pieces, instead of 100 crore pieces ordered earlier. It also raised the demand for Rs 2 coins by nearly five folds to 100 crore pieces against 11.3 crore pieces, and ordered 200 crore of Rs 1 coins instead of earlier demand of 101.9 crore.

“India Government Mints are requested to make all efforts to achieve the above denomination wise production targets,” SPMCIL said in the letter mentioned earlier. The Mints, in turn, have asked its workers to work 54 hours per week, instead of 44-48 hours from October 6 to March 31, 2019. The workers will be eligible for overtime benefits and other allowances, according to office memo put up by all the four mints.



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Chennai: Ancient Coins and Stamps from Mughal and British Era Put on Display

No big joy for dealers as business effected despite good crowd gathering

The Chennai Numismatic and Philatelic Society organized an exhibition featuring more than 60 stalls with ancient coins and stamps in Chennai from 05th to 07th October displayed gold and silver coins from the Mughal and British eras. Many visitors thronged the exhibition to have a look at the rare coins and stamps to have a glimpse in the past.

For anyone interested in history, the natural starting point of the learning curve would be books. But for some people, that process alone doesn't do it. Meet the numismatics experts, people who believe in the evidence of objects and in particular currency as a way of tracing history. Coin collectors, as they are known in laymen's terms, are usually seen as hobbyists, even fanatics. They collect all sorts of objects from stamps to coins, jewellery, diaries, even tokens sold in canteens. But there is an entire world operating on history, heritage and intrigue.

Businesses find great customers by targeting related topics but often few organizers fail to advertize the event to general public and as a result the entire event lacks fresh crowd. The result of which reflects loss in business for many dealers. Why do they hold regular exhibitions and spread the word on something they would want to keep limited? "We want people to understand the importance of these things. Sometimes you throw them away or give them to the kabaadi. But they are of huge historical importance. You might not know why. So the more people understand that, the better this field will grow but for that the organizers should well advertize such important events to attract general public as well" feels Mr. Vikas Panicker from Mumbai who had travelled to Chennai to get some gaps filled in his collection.



Taka Museum Makes History Travel Easier

Bangladesh Bank established the museum, the first of its kind in the country, beside the Bangladesh Bank Training Academy with a collection of over three thousand coins and currency notes

If one feels the urge to discover the history of currencies and explore the various aspects of evolution of human civilization, especially that of the Bangali through coins and currencies of different eras, the Taka Museum (Currency Museum) at Mirpur in the city is the right place to do so.

Bangladesh Bank established the museum, the first of its kind in the country, beside the Bangladesh Bank Training Academy with a collection of over three thousand coins and currency notes.

Keeper of the Taka Museum Dr Achia Khanom Likhon said: "Former Bangladesh Bank Governor Dr Atiur Rahman took the initiative in 2012 to establish the museum equipped with modern technology and facilities to preserve and exhibit the history and tradition of currency," reported UNB.

"In 2009, the museum was established on the third floor of the main building of the central bank at Motijheel, but that was not open to all. Now, visitors can visit the 'Taka Museum' free of cost."

At the museum, coins and currencies are currently exhibited in two galleries. The first contains 43 display cases with approximately 1100 objects. The story of the evolution of coins and currencies starts right here.

The gallery shows its visitors how people traded goods long before the tradition of coins and bank notes prevailed. The ancient silver punch marked coins of the fourth to second century BC (Before Christ) speak of the earliest history of coins in Indian subcontinent.

The collection also includes Kushan coins from 30 to 375 AD (Anno Domini), Indo Greek Silver coins from 2nd to 1st century AD, Cowry shells, Harikel Coin from 7th to 9th century AD.



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This month we celebrate Dussehra which spreads the message of the victory of the good over sin. India, the vibrant land of mythological tales, of Gods and Goddesses and thousands beliefs, has evolved over centuries as a mystic land of festivals. These colorful and happy festivals bind the people of the nation across various states and religions in unique way and provide a spectacle that cannot be experienced anywhere else in the world. Two very important and popular festivals of India are Dussehra and Diwali.

The festival of Dussehra, also known as “Vijayadashami” is one of the fascinating festivals of India and is celebrated with joy and enthusiasm for ten continuous days. Dussehra, or the tenth day, as it literally means, marks the end of the nine days Navratri. The first nine nights are spent in the worship of Goddess Durga.



Court Convicts 4 in High Quality Fake Indian Currency Case

The designated court for National Investigation Agency's cases at Patna on 05th October convicted four accused in a case related to smuggling and circulating of high quality fake Indian currency (FICN).

According to NIA, the four accused namely Afroz Ansari, Sunny Kumar alias Kabir Khan, Ishraful Alam and Alomgir Sheikh have been convicted for damaging the monetary stability of the country by smuggling and circulation of the high quality FICN and thereby committing a terrorist act under sections 120B, 489-B of IPC and Sections 16, 18 and 20 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.

The NIA move comes after the recovery of FICNs of face value Rs 5,94,000 in the denomination of Rs 500, from an accused named Afroz Ansari, a resident of Ramgarh in Jharkhand by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) from Ramgarhwa at Motihari in East Champaran district of Bihar. The accused was carrying this FICN consignment to Raxaul, near the Indo-Nepal border, for further delivery in Nepal.

During investigation by central probing agency, it emerged that a syndicate of FICN smugglers was involved in procuring FICN smuggled from Bangladesh for supplying it to Nepal and various parts of India. Further investigation into the matter led to recovery of additional FICN of face value Rs. 3 lakh from an accused Almgir Sheikh alias Raju, a resident of Malda district in West Bengal.

Forensic examination of the seized notes revealed it to be high quality fake Indian currency notes. Based on the evidence collected during the investigation, eight accused persons namely Sunny Kumar alias Kabir Khan, a resident of Nawada, Sanjay Kumar of Raxaul and Munna Singh of Bettiah in Bihar, Ishraful Aalam, Alomgir Sheikh, Asikul Islam and Umar Faruk, all four from Malda district of West Bengal were arrested by the NIA.

All the above accused persons are in Judicial Custody at Beur Jail, Patna.

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October	5,6 & 7	Chennai Coin Show	Hotel Abu Sarovar,Portico, P.H.Road Chennai
November	16, 17, & 18	Mudra Ustav Patiala	Hotel Flyover Near Gurudwara Dukhniwaran Sahib,Patila Punjab
November	23, 24 & 25	6th Mumbai Coinex	Shree Sunderbhai Hall, Behind Income Tax, Churchgate, Mumbai, Maharashtra
November	23 to 29	Delhi Coins & Notes Exhibition	All India Fine Arts & Crafts Society, 1 Rafi Marg, New Delhi
December	7 & 8	Samanwayam	MES Keveeyam College, VALANCHERY, MALAPPURAM DT, KERALA
December	9, 10, & 11	Jam Coin Mela	Red Cross Bhavan,Sakchi, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand
December	14, 15 & 16	Coinex Pune	Sonal Hall, Karve Road, Pune, Maharashtra
December	21, 22, & 23	Mudra Utsav (Kolkata)	Haldiram Banquet Hall, 24 Ballygunge park, Kolkata, WestBengal
December	21, 22, & 23	Salem Coin Expo	Agara Mahal, Nethimedu,Salem, Tamil Nadu
January	18,19, & 20	KANPEX	Jawaharlal Nehru Library Hall, Yogasala Road,Near Old Bus Stand, Kannur
January	25,26, & 27	Nagmoney	Ramgopal Maheshwari Sabhagruha,Beside Mor Bhavan,Jhansi Rani Square, Sitabuldi, Nagpur
February	8,9, & 10	Ahmedabad Coinex	Sardar Patel Seva Samaj Hall, Mithakali 6 Road,C.G. Road,Navarangpura, Ahmedabad, Gujarat
February	22, 23, & 24	10th National Numismatic Exhibition	Shikshak Sadan, Near Mysore Bank Circle,Bangalore, Karnataka

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1993 – Quit India Movement: Golden Jubilee Commemoration

In 1942, All India Congress Committee adopted 'Quit India' resolution, which demanded the withdrawal of British Power from India. A mass movement was started with the leadership of Gandhiji.

The 50th Anniversary of "Quit India Movement" was observed all over the country throughout the year 1992. A 1 rupee commemorative coin was issued for general circulation on 12th July 1993 to mark the completion of the Anniversary Year. The other coins issued in this theme, in the denomination of 10 rupees, 50 rupees and 100 rupees, were only issued as proof and uncirculated specimens.

Obverse: The obverse of this coin shows the Ashokan lion and the value '1' in International numerals on the center. In English "INDIA" and "RUPEE" appear on the right periphery and in Hindi "Bharat" and "Rupaya" appear on the left. "Satyameva Jayate" in Hindi is shown just below the Ashokan Lion.

Reverse: The reverse of this coin shows the 'Martyrs' Memorial', captioned 'Seven Freedom Fighters' installed outside the Bihar State Secretariat Building at Patna. The inscription "QUIT INDIA MOVEMENT : GOLDEN JUBILEE" in both English and Hindi with the 50 years span '1942-1992' shown below the memorial.



1993

Quit India Movement

Specifications:

Year of issue: 1993

Weight: 6 grams

Metal composition: Cupro – Nickel alloy (75% Copper + 25% Nickel)

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PM Modi Releases Seven Stamps to Mark Gandhi Jayanti

Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi on 02nd October 2018 launched the international version of Mahatma Gandhi's favourite bhajan 'Vaishnav Jana To Tene Kahiye...' and seven round-shape postage stamps on him. In a first, India Post issued a miniature sheet with seven round-shaped stamps on Mahatma Gandhi in connection with his 150th birth anniversary celebrations.

Mr Modi also released seven stamps on the Father of the Nation. The seven stamps, of denominations Rs 5, Rs 12, Rs 20, Rs 22, Rs 41, and two stamps of Rs 25, were released along with seven sheetlets of 20 stamps each. The face value of a set of seven round-shaped stamps is Rs. 150.

United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj, Union Drinking Water and Sanitation Minister Uma Bharti and Union Urban Development Minister Hardeep Singh Puri were also present on the occasion.

5 lakh sheets

As many as 5 lakh miniature sheets have been printed for sale in the country and abroad. This is the first time that round-shaped stamps are being issued by India Post, Sreejesh Krishnan of Trivandrum Philatelists, said.

The stamps, tracing the life of Gandhi from a young lawyer in South Africa to the Mahatma, carry messages of non-violence, cleanliness, service to the needy, truth, and simplicity.

My message

The miniature sheet is inscribed with Gandhi's quote 'My life is my message.'

First day cover of the stamps, a brochure on who has designed the stamp and how many have been issued and other details, and one cancellation too was released on the day.

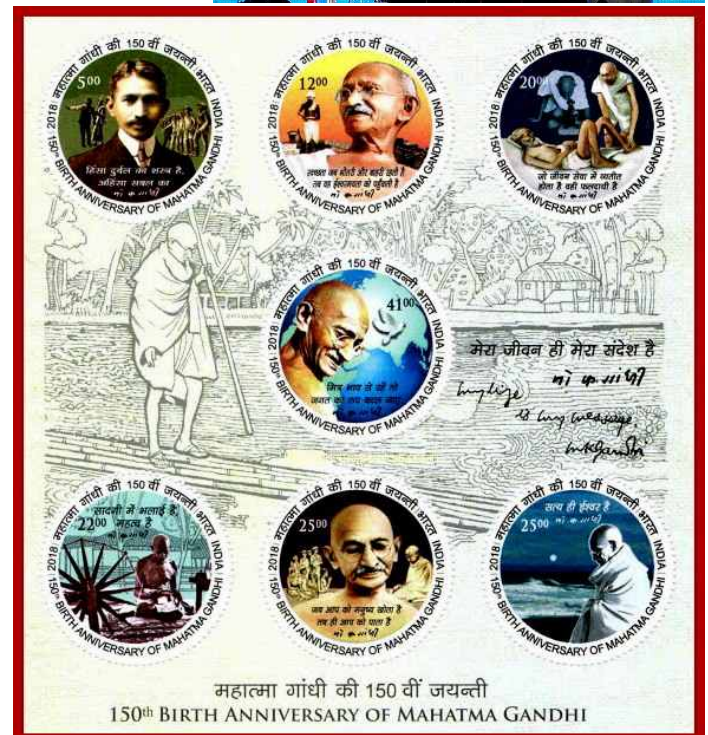
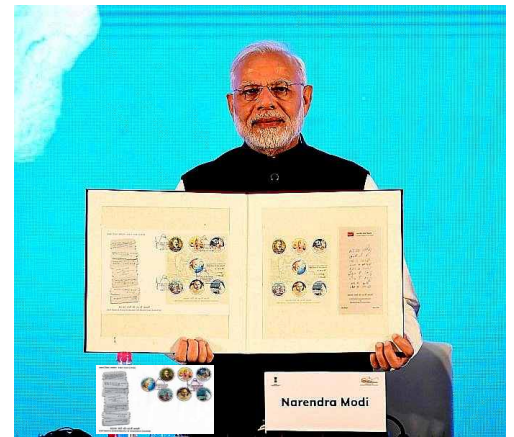
Special covers on Gandhi was also released at places such as Lucknow, Raipur, and Bengaluru.

Along with this, the stamps were released in 125 countries around the world.

65 stamps so far

As many as 65 stamps on Mahatma Gandhi have been released earlier by India Post. These include commemorative and definitive (used for day-to-day postal mailing) stamps such as a Khadi cloth stamp of denomination Rs. 100 and service/non-service set of four stamps on Mahatma Gandhi issued in 1948 on the occasion of the first anniversary of Independent India.

A Rs. 10 stamp picturing Mahatma Gandhi and emblazoned with the word 'service' for official use and brought out in 1948 is the costliest stamp in the country with value running into crores, says Mr. Krishnan, who has all Gandhi stamps in his collection but for the service stamps.



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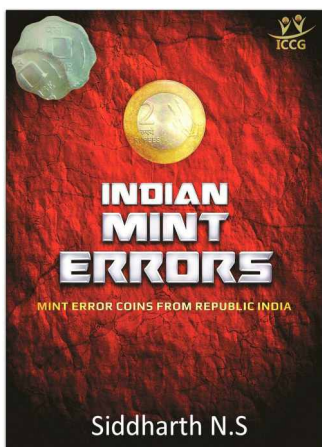


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