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## India Post Honours Mahindra Group with Postage Stamp

The Mahindra Group, which is in its 75th year, has been emblazoned on an Indian stamp. On 01st December 2021, India Post issued a special commemorative postage stamp. The postage stamp was released by Devusinh Chauhan, the Minister of State for Communications along with Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group in the presence of officials from the Department of Post and colleagues from the Mahindra Group.

The commemorative stamp design features the founders of the Group – JC and KC Mahindra – and is inspired by miniature art and uses a modern

graphical style to illustrate the various facets of the Group. A closer look at the stamp reveals the various business and life centric activities of the Mahindra Group. In the release function a First Day Cover (FDC) and an Information Brochure were also unveiled.

Speaking on the occasion, the minister said, "Over the last 75 years, the Mahindra Group through its various businesses in farming, automotive, finance, IT and telecommunications has contributed significantly towards the



growth and development of our nation. The Government of India under the visionary and dynamic leadership of the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi

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## ICCG 2021 - Lifetime Achievement Award Honoring Shri Valmiki Desai

Recently, longtime numismatist and philatelist Shri Valmiki Desai was honored with the Indian Coins and currency Group - ICCG's 2021 Lifetime Achievement Award. A certificate was honored to Shri Desai by Mr. Siddharth Shah Founder and editor of ICCG News.

His collections include coins and stamps from all over the world and his contribution on many collectible literatures on Gandhiji is also commendable.

Shri. Desai has been actively involved with numismatics and philately for many years as a collector, as an educator, as a mentor and as a dedicated forward thinking leader.



## What Matchboxes from India Say About the Country's Art History

Phillumenists, or collectors of matchboxes, have been gathering labels for more than a century for various reasons

**H**istory of the matchbox The process of generating fire was arduous until the invention of a friction match. After many years and experiments, the first phosphorus-based safety match was developed in Sweden in the late 19th century.

India imported matchboxes from Sweden and Japan before the First World War. In 1910, Japanese immigrants started making matches in what was then Calcutta. The locals learnt the skills, and a few match factories sprung up in the city.

The first sulphur match that ignited when struck on a rough surface was made in South India in 1923, and the first safety match as known today was made in 1932. Wimco started its operations as a unit of the multinational Swedish Match Company in 1924. "Today, Wimco is the only recognised and established matchbox brand in India with a national presence. All others are small one-room set-ups in Sivakasi, South India," says Shahid Datawala, co-author of Matchbook, which looks at the whimsical nature of label art.

### From function to design

As matchboxes became vital, the technique of designing labels developed over a period of 123 years (1827-1950). Its packaging became the prime factor for differentiation and competition.

Early labels contained the factory name and location or instructions on how to use them. The first pictorial label was produced in 1830 by N Jones & Co in England. The World Wars affected matchbox production and marketing, significantly impacting label patterns. Widespread and frequent use of matchboxes made the labels conspicuous, adding visual appeal, distinct branding and encouraging sales. In India, early labels with unfamiliar objects were replaced

by images from Indian mythology, art, religion and architecture, explains Gautam Hemmady, a retired architect in Delhi who started collecting matchboxes in 2012.

The top space of the Indian matchbox was adorned by designs that included borders, gods and goddesses, brides, flowers fruit, animals and modes of transport.

The nationalist movement brought Gandhi and Bharat Mata (Mother India). Symbols of the flag, spinning wheel and pictures of nationalist leaders were illustrated until independence and replaced by maps, and the Ashok Chakra after independence. Indian brand The Ship (1942), which still enjoys a strong market presence, has inspired imitations and several variations of its label - 'Shib', 'Slip', 'Swip', 'Shipe', 'Shaan', 'Sharp' and more. "Most small brands have their own graphics", says Datawala. In the tiny space, many things were fitted with smart-thinking and minute alterations.

Illustrations evolved with time, says Katuri. The liberalisation of the 1990s brought images of logos and brands. Ship or a Maruti car images were replaced by the Tata Nano, an Esteem car, or Delhi Metro indicating the change. Logos, artwork and colour were envisaged and assembled like a product. "Matchbox design was not just making a matchbox, but a product you put into your pocket to use," explains Datawala. Alterations of strike patterns, pictures and typography by artists created an identity for their own designs.

### The collectors of the matchbox today

Phillumenists, or collectors of matchboxes, have been gathering



labels for more than a century for personal reasons. For Hemmady, who has a huge collection and owns a matchbox label from 1893, it is all about history.

Imitations of the "New Ship" label intrigued Datawala. "I started noticing labels in shops, and on roads. These were copies of copies of copies." He collected about 85 smart and intelligent variations of copies of Ship labels.

Warren Dotz, a pop culture historian from the US and author of Light of India: A Conflagration of Indian Matchbox Art, has an interest in "everyday label art that has gone unappreciated". It began when he found an Indian matchbox label titled "elephant love", while purchasing an advertising store display from a collectibles dealer in England, leading him to collect Indian labels from dealers all over the world and eventually write the book, featuring labels from the 1950s and 1960s.

Now, the humble match has remained the same in concept and construction. What evolved was a new form of art: label art with curious graphic and typographic elements.

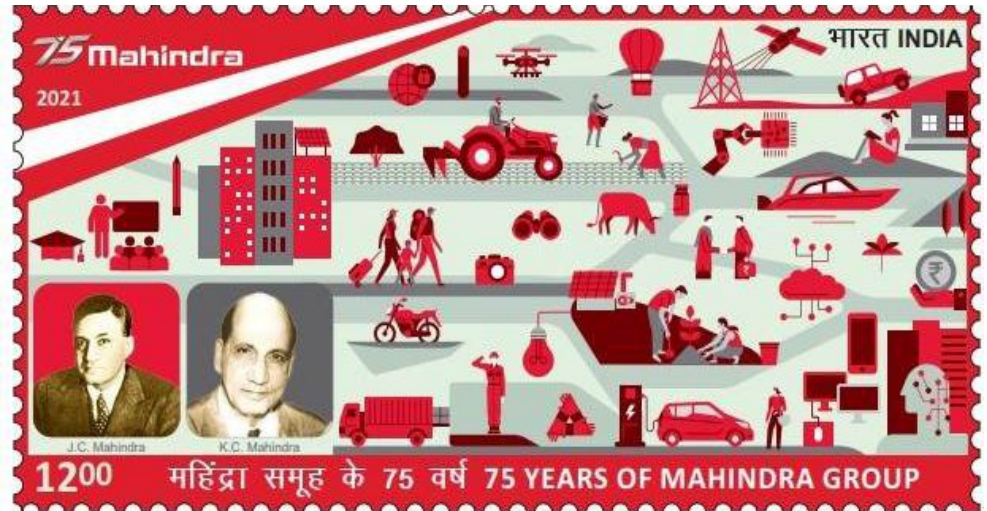
"Someday, we hope to start a museum with matchbox designs combining Light of India and Art on a Box," says Dotz.

We'll have to wait and see if that idea catches fire.

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has taken several initiatives during last 7 years, which have immensely benefited Indian industries and businesses and unleashed their true potential. Among the most notable of them is 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat', which supports homegrown products, industries and businesses. I am happy to state that Mahindra Group is a fine example of Atma Nirbhar Bharat, which is worth emulating and encouraging for all. I congratulate the Mahindra Group for their extraordinary and sustained success. I also wish them all the best for their future initiatives."

Remarking on the Group's journey, Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group said, "We at the Mahindra Group are truly honoured to have this commemorative postage stamp issued on our 75th anniversary and are thankful to the Department of Posts and honourable minister for this acknowledgment. Commencing its journey as a steel-trading venture seven decades ago, Mahindra was founded with a vision of being a firm imbued with a national purpose and a new outlook. Since then, Mahindra Group has steadily evolved into a



global brand, spanning nations and industries. We are very proud of our legacy and are humbled by the opportunities we have had along the way to contribute to the rise of our nation. As we take the next steps in our journey, we are committed to driving growth and prosperity. I take this opportunity to thank all associates, partners and stakeholders for their contributions in our efforts towards helping people Rise."

The commemorative postage stamp, FDC and information brochure are for sale at the Philatelic Bureaux situated across India and can be ordered online via e-post office. More honour

and recognition of the Mahindra Group came in on Vijay Diwas, which is celebrated on December 16 to commemorate India's victory in the 1971 war. The automaker's early efforts have been honoured with a first day cover.

Anand Mahindra tweeted: "In '71 I was in my 1st year of College & the battle is etched in my mind. I'm so grateful to the Heritage Motoring Club of India & India Post for this First Day cover commemorating the role of Mahindra-built CJ3Bs in the service of the Indian Army on the occasion of Vijay Diwas."

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## BNM announces LFSA's 25th anniversary commemorative coins launch by Finance Minister

**K**uala Lumpur: Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) has announced on 15th December 2021 the issuance of commemorative coins in conjunction with the 25th anniversary of the Labuan Financial Services Authority (LFSA).

Launched by Finance Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Aziz, the commemorative coins will be issued in two denominations, which are Coloured Sterling Silver with Sapphire Stone Commemorative Coin (proof) and Nordic Gold Brilliant Uncirculated (BU) Commemorative Coin.

For Coloured Sterling Silver with Sapphire Stone Commemorative Coin (proof), it is the first time that BNM will issue numismatic coins with sapphire stone inserts. The coin weighs 31 grammes and is made of sterling silver with 92.5 per cent purity. It has a face value of RM10 and will be sold at RM286 a piece with 1,000 pieces minted.

Meanwhile, the Nordic Gold Brilliant

Uncirculated (BU) Commemorative Coin weighs 8.5 grammes and is made of copper and several other metals. It has a face value of RM1 and will be sold at RM13.20 a piece with 10,000 pieces minted. Design-wise, on the obverse, the text "LABUAN FINANCIAL SERVICES AUTHORITY" is shown on the left circumference of the coins, while on the right circumference, "1996-2021" is depicted to mark 25 years of LFSA's establishment.

The map of Labuan is featured on a diamond-cut 3D surface with Labuan Financial Park, where LFSA is headquartered, marked out with a sapphire stone insert on the sterling silver coin. While on the reverse, the text "BANK

NEGARA MALAYSIA" as the issuing authority of these numismatic coins, is shown on the top circumference of the coin, followed by the official LFSA 25 logo in the centre. BNM said these commemorative coins are also available for sale in a Set of Two with each set priced at RM341, inclusive of 10% sales and services tax.

Each set comprises one coloured sterling silver with sapphire stone proof coin and one Nordic gold proof coin. A total of 1,000 sets are available for purchase.



## Post Office Launches Frog Stamp Collection in Celebration of World Wildlife Week

**I**n celebration of World Wildlife Week, the South African Post Office (SAPO) has launched a new range of stamps that feature South Africa's endangered frogs.

The collection, featuring four stamps, and a commemorative envelope, are available from the SA Post Office's Philatelic Services in Pretoria at a cost of R149.80, plus postage and packaging for mail orders.

"The SA Post Office worked closely with the Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT), in particular their Threatened Amphibian Programme, during the

creation of this educational stamp theme," said SAPO's spokesperson, Johan Kruger.

"Globally, 41% of amphibians are considered to be at risk of extinction. As the most threatened group of animals on Earth, it was appropriate for the SA Post Office to feature amphibians on the endangered species stamps that celebrate World Wildlife Week," he added. The Rose Mountain Toad,



the Northern Moss Frog, the Rough Moss Frog, the Table Mountain Ghost Frog and the Micro Frog feature on the stamps, while the Amathole Toad is featured on the envelope.

## UAE Issues Dh 500 Silver Coin to Mark Country's Golden Jubilee

**D**ubai: To commemorate the country's Golden Jubilee, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) central bank has created a Dh 500 silver coin.

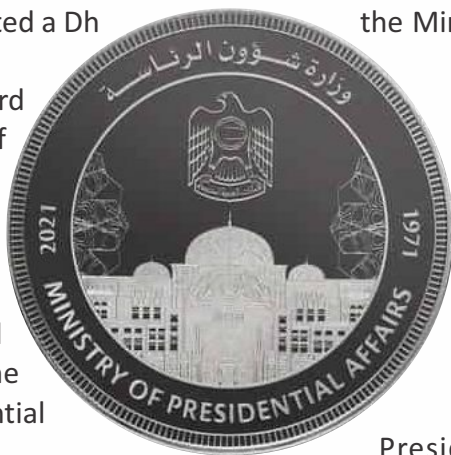
The face of the card contains an image of Qasr Al Watan, the UAE's official emblem, the years 1971 and 2021, as well as the Arabic and English names of the Ministry of Presidential Affairs.

The backside of the card features the year of the 50th emblem and a notional value of Dh 500, as well as the Arabic and English names of the

UAE Central Bank. According to central bank authorities, the coin embodies the Ministry of Presidential Affairs' alignment with the country's "pioneering achievements and ambitions as well as its desire to develop a successful

economy." The Central Bank releases commemorative coins regularly to commemorate notable dates or events. The commemorative coin will not be sold in the Central Bank's main office or any of its branches.

UAE will celebrate its silver jubilee on December 2. Fireworks displays and a classic car parade are among the shows planned in Sharjah to mark the UAE's 50th National Day.



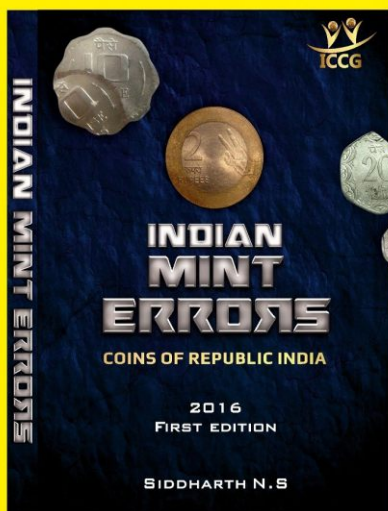
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## Special Stamp Issued to Mark Bahrain's 50th National Day

The Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications' Bahrain Post is proud to issue a set of four commemorative stamps crowned with the portrait of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of Bahrain, on the occasion of Bahrain's 49th National Day celebrated on December 16. The new stamps commemorate the establishment of the modern Bahraini state as an Arab and Muslim country founded by Ahmed Al-Fateh in 1783 as well as the anniversary of its full membership in the United Nations, and the anniversary of His Majesty the King, King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's accession to the throne. The stamps represent some of Bahrain's traditional handicrafts and were designed in cooperation with the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities in celebration of Bahrain's culture, and in support of documenting the historical aspects of the Kingdom's cultural heritage and ancient civilizations that include the construction of 40,000 houses, King Hamad University Hospital, Khalifa Technology Institute, Salman Industrial City, Bahrain International Circuit, air, land and sea transportation and more.

The set was also designed reflecting some big achievements The stamps



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## Turkey Presents Commemorative Coin to Mark Kazakhstan's Independence

In order to mark the 30th anniversary of Kazakhstan's independence, a commemorative coin was presented in Istanbul on 16 September, 2021.

The event to present the coin was dedicated to the 30th anniversary of Kazakhstan's independence was attended by Ambassador of Kazakhstan to Turkey Abzal Saparbekuly, Consul General

of Kazakhstan in Istanbul Alim

Bayel, Director

of the Turkish State Mint

Abdullah

Yasir

Şahin, and

representatives of

academia

and the

media. During

the event, Bayel

noted that the

design of the silver coin

was developed jointly with the

Turkish State Mint, and reflects

Kazakhstan's rich history and its role

as the heart of the Turkic world.

Special focus was placed on the

Turkic Khaganate and Golden Horde,

empires, to whom Kazakhstan

considers itself to be a successor.

Saparbekuly also stated that the coin

is a special gift of brotherly Turkey for

the anniversary of Kazakh

independence and serves as a token

of Turkey's deep appreciation for

Kazakhstan. Şahin, for his part, said

that the history of the State Mint of

the Republic of Turkey, which he

heads, dates back to 1467. He said

that it was a great pleasure for them

to present such a gift for the 30th

anniversary of Kazakhstan's

independence.

The obverse of the coin depicts the

national flag of Kazakhstan and the inscription "30 years of Independence of Kazakhstan" in

Turkish. In the middle of the reverse

is a map of Kazakhstan. "Qazaqstan",

the country's name as written in the

new Latin-based Kazakh alphabet, is

the centerpiece of the map. The names of some of the historical

states once located on

Kazakh soil are

also engraved in Turkish inside

the map. Namely, these are: the

Sakas, Huns, Turkic Khaganate,

Golden Horde and Kazakh Khanate.

At the top of the back face engraved

in the old Turkic script of the Orkhon-

Yenisei monuments is the word

"Turk." The lower part is embellished

with "ram horns," a traditional

ornament common to many Turkic

peoples. The coin's nominal value is

determined to be 30 Turkish liras,

although, containing some 31 grams

of silver, its actual value is much

higher. Bayel noted that coins of this

type normally bear a face value of 20

liras, but Turkey made an

exception for

Kazakhstan to

celebrate the

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Saparbekuly and Bayel expressed

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## Goan Meals Turns into Philatelic Materials

**P**anaji: The Goa Postal Division on 17th December 2021 launched a particular cowl and particular cancellation on Myndoli banana, Harmal chilli and Goan khajjem, making the much-loved meals objects which can be native to Goa, part of philately. These things had been lately accorded the geographical indication (GI) tag. The Moira banana – or Myndoli kellim in Konkani – is so named as a result of it's believed to have first been launched to the village of Moira, Bardez, by Franciscan monks. Harmal chilli is from Pernem, particularly, the coastal village of Arambol. The chillies had been launched to Goa by the Portuguese, and many types at the moment are grown domestically. The khajjem (kaddio boddio) are a staple at church feasts and the village festivals in Goa.



The Goa Postal Division additionally launched, digitally, the everlasting pictorial cancellation on the Margao head publish workplace by the hands of postmaster basic of Goa, S F H Rizvi. A particular cowl and particular cancellation on the Voice of

Liberation, a philatelic passport on the temples of Goa and postcards on three Publish-Crossing Meetup had been additionally launched. The releases shall be accessible on the Panaji head publish workplace's philatelic bureau.

## Special Postal Cover Marks JNTUA's 75th Anniversary

**A**nantapur: Ahead of the 75th anniversary celebrations of the Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University College of Engineering, Anantapur, the university authorities on 13th December 2021 released a special postal cover to commemorate the anniversary celebrations scheduled for December 18. India Posts Superintendent Basha along with JNTUA Vice-Chancellor G. Ranga Janardhana on Monday released a special postal cover to commemorate the anniversary in the presence of Rector M. Vijay Kumar, Registrar C.

Shashidhar, and Principal P. Sujatha. Prof. Janardhan said that the college, established in 1946 at Guindy in Chennai, had undergone several

“We are fortunate to be part of this historic event, which is a precursor to the anniversary events to be held on December 16, 17, and 18,” the Vice-Chancellor said.



The First Special Postal Cover with a ₹5 postal stamp of Subhas Chandra Bose was franked by Mr. Basha at the auditorium. The Special Cover has the photograph of the JNTUA CE collage and '75 Years' written on it along with the college emblem. The '75 Years - Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' logo also has been printed on the

changes with affiliations to several universities and finally emerged as JNTUA University College.

front side, while a brief history of the college is printed at the back in English and Hindi.

## Postal Cover for Former Deputy CM

Hyderabad: The postal department released a commemorative Special Cover on the 131st Birth Anniversary of Late Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy, Former Deputy Chief Minister of A.P, on 15th December 2021 at the A.V. Educational Society, Gaganmahal. Sri S. Rajendra Kumar, Chief Postmaster General, Telangana Circle; released the postal stamp in the presence of Sri K. Vishweshwar Reddy, Former M.P. Chevella; Prof. E. Siva Reddy, Former Vice Chancellor, Telugu University; Prof. Kasireddy Venkat Reddy; Dr. P. Bhaskar Yogi, Prof. K. Ramchandra Reddy, Secretary, A.V. Educational Society; Sri K. Vinod Reddy, Correspondent, K.V. Ranga Reddy Law College; Sri Konda Lakshmikanth Reddy, Secretary, Vignyana Sarovarcha Prachuranalu; Dr. Ch. Rajalingam, Principal, AV College; Dr. B. Jaipal Reddy, Principal, K. V. Ranga Reddy Law College and Dr. M. Bhagavantha Reddy, Director, AVC PG Centre.

Sri S. Rajendra Kumar speaking while releasing the Special Cover said, Late Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy brought in pioneering educational reforms during the Nizam era, initiatives which transformed education scenario of the time. He got over two hundred taxes abolished as they were proving to be burdensome for the common man. Speaking on the occasion Sri K. Vishweshwar Reddy said, Late Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy was a visionary of his times, he was one of the two law makers who was elected to the Legislative Assembly of Nizam State having 21 lawmakers, 19 of who were nominated by Nizam himself. At that time, itself Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy introduced far sighted bills in the Assembly like succession rights for women; legitimized

children of inter caste marriages, prevention of child marriages, abolishing of untouchability, legitimizing widow marriages. While bills related to social, economic and private bills needed the prior permission of Nizam to discuss in this assembly, bills which directly affected the Nizam, his administrative process, income to himself and his government were a dangerous area to venture into, it was forbidden to raise such issues in this assembly without the express consent or the permission of the Nizam himself. Nevertheless, Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy introduced many such bills, which he thought was a necessity of common people. Abolishing of the Jagirs, creation of a public service commission for recruitment and appointment of Government staff, which meant the Nizam cannot appoint anyone he wanted. While acknowledging the open mindedness of Nizam and sincerity of the Council Chairman, what stands out significantly is the social consciousness to understand these issues and the courage of conviction of Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy to introduce these bills which are against the Nizam himself the sovereign master, in his own assembly in such a bold manner. Fast forward today, 85 years later we gained independence, we are a democracy, our representatives are elected and nominated and we see elected representatives fearing their bosses, appeasing them instead of representing the very people that voted for them. The courage of Shri



Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy, shines bright even today in the midst of today's servile and self-serving elected representatives, ministers and officers, prostrating before CMs and their political bosses. The bills introduced by Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy, however bold, were actually acknowledged by the Nizam and instead of admonishing Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy, the Nizam actually sought public and judicial opinion on these bills and permitted discussions in the Assembly. Though by then the term of Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy in the Assembly came to an end, but Nizam thought his presence in these discussions and debates was absolutely crucial, so he extended the term of Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy by an year and actually enacted removal of untouchability, legitimized children of inter caste marriages, rights for women, prevention of child marriages, achievements worthy of Mahatma Gandhi himself. Today the immense contribution of Shri Konda Venkata Ranga Reddy is recognized by the Government of India, with the release of Indian Postal Special cover and on behalf of the people of Telangana, the institutions built by him and our family, we thank the Government of India and the Postmaster General.

## Commemorative Coins of Modern India: Year wise & mint wise journey with ICCG News

### आधुनिक भारत के स्मारणीय सिक्के: वर्षवार, टक्साल्वर यात्रा ICCG न्यूज के साथ

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.

## 1995 – 8TH WORLD TAMIL CONFERENCE (SAINT THIRUVALLUVAR) COMMEMORATION ISSUEc.

**O**verse: The obverse of this coin shows the Ashokan lion, 'Satyameva Jayate' in Hindi and the value '5' in International numerals under it. In English "INDIA" and "RUPEES" appear on the right periphery and in Hindi "Bharat" and "Rupaye" appear on the left. Reverse: The reverse of this coin shows the saint poet THIRUVALLUVAR seated on a low stool in a writing position with the inscription "1995" -- the year of

issue, "8TH WORLD TAMIL CONFERENCE" in English, "SAINT THIRUVALLUVAR" in both English and Hindi, "8th Viswa Tamil Sammelan" in Hindi.



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Year of issue: 1995

Weight: 9 grams

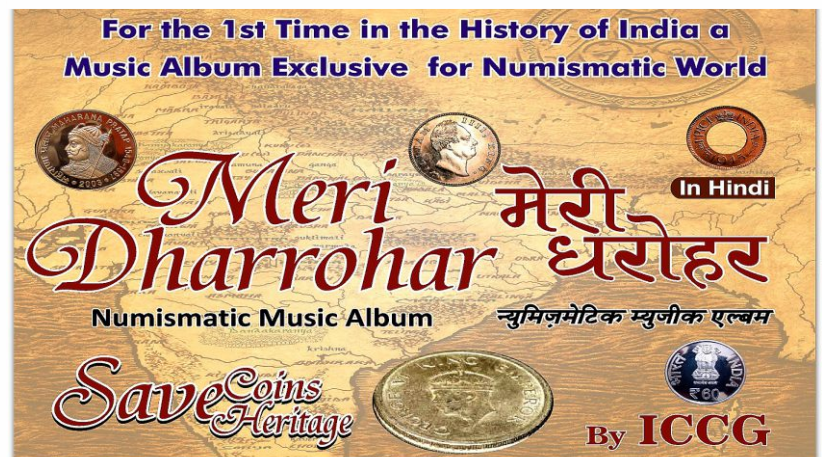
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(75% Copper + 25% Nickel)

Shape: Circular

Diameter: 23 mm

Edge: Security

Mint: Mumbai & Noida



## Postal Stamp Launched to Mark 75 Years of L&T's Construction & Mining Machinery Business

**B**engaluru: To mark the 75th Anniversary of L&T's Construction and Mining Equipment business, the Department of Posts, Government of India, released a special commemorative stamp here on 16th December 2021.

The corporate stamp was unveiled by Sharada Sampath, Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka Circle, in the presence of S.N. Subrahmanyan, CEO and MD, Larsen and Toubro, Arvind K. Garg, Executive Vice-President, Construction and Mining Machinery business, L&T, and L.K. Dash, Postmaster General, Bengaluru HQ.

Addressing the gathering, Subrahmanyan said, "L&T has a legacy of pioneering critical equipment required for nation-building and is at the forefront of continuous enhancement of engineering design and manufacturing capabilities. We are delighted that our Construction and Mining Machinery business has been

fulfilling the needs of the mining and construction sectors with high quality equipment and excellent service for the last 75 years."

He said L&T's Construction and Mining Machinery business had introduced the hydraulic excavator technology in India and contributed significantly towards its infrastructure development.

As an engineering conglomerate, L&T has been instrumental in partnering with the nation and bringing cutting-edge technologies from across the world into the country which enabled it to accelerate the growth of the nation.

The business has supplied over 60,000 units of various equipment in India during its 75 years of association with the construction



and mining industry.

In her address, Sharada Sampath appreciated the efforts of L&T as the frontline engineering organisation committed to building India through involvement in critical projects. She congratulated the L&T senior management for its success and extended best wishes for future initiatives.

The commemorative stamp released on the occasion features various models of earthmoving equipment introduced by L&T in the last seven decades in the Indian market. During the event, a special cover was also released.

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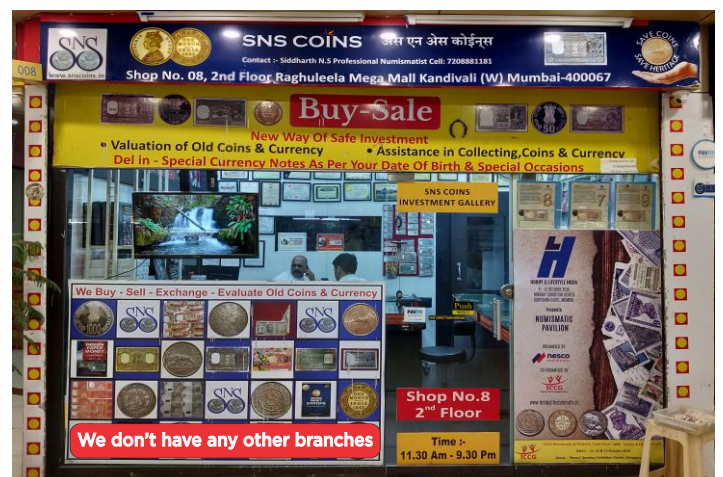
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