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India's First's in Philately (After Independence) continued....

First Stamp on Film Industry was issued on 30th April 1971 in the denomination of 20p to commemorate the birth anniversary of the Camera man and cinematographer Dadasaheb Phalke. Till now around 60 stamps have been issued by India Post honouring actors, actress, directors, music directors, singers, producers, award winners connected to film industry.



First Naye Paise Stamp was introduced to meet the requirement that arose from the introduction of a new decimal currency system (100 naye paise = 1 rupee) introduced from 1st April 1957. Till then one rupee was equivalent to 16 Annas. This is the third definitive series, issued in the denominations 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 13, 20, 25, 50 and 75 N.P. The stamp design consists of a map of India and a vertical floral design on the left end. Andaman, Nicobar & Lakshadweep islands are not shown in the design. As part of this series 3 more denomination 8, 15 and 90 n.P. were issued in 1958.



First Day Cancelled
one naye paise stamp



Laxmi Bai (Rani of Jhansi)

The first commemorative stamp issued in the new currency was issued to commemorate the Centenary of Indian Mutiny on 15th August 1957 in the denomination of 15n.P.(Laxmi Bai) and 90n.P.(Banyan Sapling).

First Triangular Shaped Stamp was issued on 10th October 1985 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Boarder Roads Organisation in the denomination of 200p. The next triangular shaped stamp was



Issued in the denomination of 60p on 21st February 1990 to commemorate the event of presentation of colours to Bombay Sappers. So far only 2 stamps have been issued.

First Square Shaped Stamp (all sides are equal and printing is done with reference to the base) was issued on 30th October 1994 in the denomination of 600p to commemorate the XVI International Cancer Congress. Before this stamp two square stamps have been issued. But they were a part of a se-tenant pair and not individual stamps. Satyajit Ray (11-01-1994) and 125 years of Mahatma Gandhi (02-10-1994). So far till 2008, seven individual stamps, eight stamps in two se-tenant block of four, four stamps in a se-tenant strip and two stamps as a se-tenant pair were issued. In total 22 stamps have been issued as square shaped stamps in various themes.



First Diamond Shaped Stamp (all sides are equal and printing is done with reference to the diagonal which is in vertical position) was issued on 27th September 1964 to commemorate Raja Rammohan Roy in the denomination of 15 nP



Till 2008, India has issued seventeen stamps in the shape of a diamond in various themes.