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## CEYLON ERRORS & VARIETIES

from George VI until the present day.

BY

*Enthusiast.*

Ceylon stamps, considering the relatively small number of issues, appear to have more than their fair share of both varieties and errors. A collection of these can be most rewarding, for the collector with plenty of time and patience. There are any number of colour shifts and shade varieties to be found; apart from the errors, both catalogued and uncatalogued.

To try and assist the would-be collector I give here a list of those I have found, but would stress that I am open to correction, in fact would welcome it, and also details of any further errors or varieties found by readers.

Taking the stamps of George VI first. There are no errors catalogued, but I have the following in my collection.

S. G. 387a 5c Sage Green & Orange.

1. A 'rope' hanging from the righthand side of the bottom crosspole of the foremast.
2. A red mark between the masts, 'fire' on the deck of the ship.
3. Broken 'u' in coconut.
4. The rear mast of the ship is almost invisible. (Ghost mast)

S. G. 398 & 399 The 3c. Overprints. Broken letters and numerals can be found on the overprints.  
S. G. 408 4c. Lion Flag.

1. Rope on flagpole cut off short. This is a constant flaw.
2. Flagpole cut off short at the base.
3. Lion blurred.
4. Torn Flag, top righthand corner.

Confetti marks, (small white discs), are to be found on stamps of the 1938-49 definitive issue, and I have a copy of S. G. 413, 4c. Kandyan Dancer, with this error also on S. G. 407 5c. Senanayake.

## SHADES

These are numerous, and most are actually catalogued in the commonwealth George VI catalogue.

S. G. 386c. C4. 2c. Black & deep Carmine

C4a. 2c. Black & Carmine

S. G. 387d. C5. 3c. Black & deep Green

C5a. 3c. Black & Green

S. G. 387f. C27. 5c. Sage Green & Orange.

C27a 5c. Pale Sage & Red Orange.

S. G. 388 C6 6c. Black & gray Blue.

C6a 6c. Black & Steel Blue.

S. G. 389 C7 10c Black & Light Blue.

(W/M side)

C7a 10c. Black Light Blue.

(W/M upright)

C7b 10c. Black & Slate Blue.

(W/M upright)

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## JOPEX 69

Jopex 69, the stamp exhibition held at St. Joseph's College, Colombo, from 3rd to 6th July was a splendid success. The band of enthusiastic non-professionals who organised this show must be heartily congratulated.

It is only in the dictionary that success comes before work; so, obviously the very hard work and arduous task that these dedicated and honorary followers of the hobby of stamp collecting undertook was amply rewarded; success had to follow.

A fuller account of the exhibition will appear in the next issue. We take pleasure in publishing in this issue the names of the proud winners and the awards they won. We are indebted to Dr. L. W. Gunaratne, F.R.C.S., Chairman of the organising committee of Jopex 69, for kindly releasing this information to us for publication.

## Ceylon Errors & Varieties

(Continued from page 1)

- S. G. 390 C8 15c. Green & red-brown  
(W/M side)  
C8a 15c. Green & maroon  
(W/M upright)  
C8b 15c. Deep green & red-brown  
(W/M upright)
- S. G. 392 C10 25c. Deep prussian blue  
& chocolate (W/M side)  
C10a 25c. Blue black & red brown  
(W/M side)  
C10b 25c. Deep prussian blue  
& chocolate (M/W upright)  
C10c 25c. Deep blue & chocolate  
(W/M side)  
C10d 25c. Dark blue & dark brown  
(W/M upright)
- S. G. 393 C11 30c. Carmine & deep green  
(W/M side)  
C11a 30c. Carmine & deep green  
(W/M upright)
- S. G. 395 C13 Re. 1 Dark Violet & chocolate  
(W/M side)  
C13a Re. 1 Dark Violet & chocolate  
(W/M side)
- S. G. 397 C29 Rs. 5 Green & deep purple brown
- S. G. 397a C29a Rs. 5 Green & light purple brown  
C29b Rs. 5 Green & deep brown plum
- S. G. 401 C55 15c. Victory brown  
C55a 15c. Victory reddish brown
- S. G. 413 4c. Kandyan Dancer, shades of blackish  
brown, brown & purple brown
- S. G. 414 5c. Dogaba, shades of green and  
yellow green.
- S. G. 410 5c. U.P.U. shades of chestnut.
- S. G. 420 3c. Guardstone, here there are definite  
shades of dull violet & deep violet.
- S. G. 424 & 424a 35c. Star orchid. The flowers are  
found in very dark & very pale reds.

### COLOUR SHIFTS

Colour shifts in the 1938-1949 definitive issue form a small collection in themselves. Taking the

central picture in relation to the King's portrait, value, etc., every stamp is found with shifts up or down, to the left or right, and combinations of both.

The same applies to the New Constitution set, the shifts on the 10c. being particularly easy to find taking Adam's Peak in relation to the rising sun.

First Anniversary of independence, the Lion flag on the 4c. & 15c. is found in various position on the stamp. The same applies to the U.P.U. set, specially the 5c. where the world & lettering move all over the stamp.

The definitive issue of 1950-1954 also have numerous colour shifts, the 4c dancer moves up & down and to left or right. 10c. coconut trees, the trunks of the trees can be found to have (1) the normal dark trunk, (2) 'sunlit' trunks, (3) 'hazy' trunks. 15c Vesak orchid, shifts of the green give the effect of broken stems to the orchids. 30c Sigiriya, the yellow colouring shifts in various ways. 75c. Temple of the Tooth, here the blue colouring shifts. Re. 1 Ruins brown shifts. obvious colour shifts can be found on most of the other stamps of the set.

### SPECIAL POSTAGE STAMPS SURINAM (EASTER CHARITY STAMPS 1969)

The Surinam Easter Charity Stamps 1969 has now been released. The picture on the stamps, which is the same for all denominations, shows the Western Hemisphere illuminated by the full moon; this picture was chosen in view of the relationship between the first full moon in spring and the date on which Easter is celebrated.

The denominations and colours are as follows:

Denominations :	Colours :
10+ 5 cents	green and dark-blue
15+ 8 cents	light-yellow and dark-grey
20+10 cents	light-blue and dark-green
25+12 cents	ochre and brown
30+15 cents	grey and violet

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## CEYLON FIRST DAY COVERS

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1947	New Constitution	4 " 2.50
1948	First Anni. Ceylon Indp.	4 " 2.00
1949	U. P. U.	3 " 3.00
1952	Colombo Plan Exhib.	2 " 2.00
1953	Q. E. II Coronation	1 " 1.00
1954	Q. E. II Royal Visit	1 " 1.00
1955	Royal Agri. Exhib.	1 " 1.00
1955	National Service	1 " —
1957	Buddha Jayanthi	4 " —
	Centy. Cey Post. Stamp.	4 " —
1953	Human Rights	2 " —
1959	Pirivena University	1 " —
1960	Refugee Year	2 " —
1961	Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike	1 " 2.00
1962	Golden Jubilee Jamboree	1 " —
	W. H. O.	1 " 1.00
1963	Air Mail Silver Jubilee	1 " 2.00
	Freedom from Hunger	2 " 2.00
	Co-operative Movement	1 " 2.00
	Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike	1 " —
	National Conservation	1 " —
1964	Industrial Exhibition	2 " .50
	Railway Centenary	1 " 3.00
	Anagarika Dharmapala	1 " 1.50
	Centy. of C. M. C.	1 " —
1965	I. T. U. Centenary	2 " 2.00
	Inter. Co-op. Year	2 " 2.00
1966	Prime Minister D. S. Senanayake	1 " .25
	Birds	4 " 3.00
	Centy. of K. M. C.	1 " 1.00
	Ext. of Inland Air Mail Service	2 " 2.00
	W. H. O.	2 " 2.50
	Inter: Rice Year	2 " 1.00
	UNESCO	2 " 1.00
1967	First Anni. Poya Holiday	4 " 2.50
	Centy. of G. M. C.	1 " —
	Hydrological Decade	2 " —
	Centy. of Tea Industry	4 " 5.00
	Girl Guides	2 " 2.00
	I. P. I. Conference Kandy	1 " 2.00
	Tourist Year	1 " 1.00
	Col. H. S. Olcott	1 " 1.50
1968	20th Anni. Independence	2 " 3.50
	Sir Baron Jayatillaka	1 " 1.00
	20th Anniversary W. H. O.	1 " 1.00
	Colombo Inter. Air Port	1 " 2.00
	1400th Anniv. of Holy Quran	1 " 1.50
	Internal Human Rights Year	4 " 7.50
	Golden Jubilee of the A.C.B.C.	1 " .50
1969	E. W. Perera	1 " 2.50
	National Saving	1 " .50
	Vesak	3 " 1.25
	A. E. Goonasinghe	1 " .50
	I. L. O.	1 " .85

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			MINT USED	
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1940	Surcharge	2 "	.40	.40
1946	Victory	2 "	.40	.40
1937	New Constitution	4 "	1.00	1.00
1949	First Anniv. Indep.	4 "	1.00	1.00
1949	U. P. U.	3 "	1.00	1.00
1952	Colombo Plan Exhi.	2 "	1.00	1.00
1953	Q. E. II Coronation	1 "	.25	.10
1954	Q. E. II Royal Visit	1 "	.25	.10
1956	Royal Agriculture Exhi.	1 "	.25	.10
	National Service	1 "	.25	.10
	Buddha Jayanthi	4 "	2.00	—
1957	Ceylon Stamp Centy.	4 "	—	—
1958	10th Anniv. H. Rights	2 "	2.25	2.25
1959	Pirivena University	1 "	.25	.10
1960	World Refugee Year	2 "	.50	.50
1961	Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike	1 "	2.00	.25
	Ceylon Boy Scouts	1 "	.50	.25
1962	Malaria Eradication	1 "	.50	.25
1963	Silver Jubilee Air Mail	1 "	1.00	.25
	Freedom from Hunger	2 "	.75	.25
	Ceylon Co.op. Movement	1 "	—	.25
	National Conservation	1 "	.25	.10
1964	Anagarika Dharmapala	1 "	.50	.15
	Industrial Exhibition	2 "	.25	.25
	Centy. of Railway pair	2 "	2.00	.25
1965	I. T. U.	2 "	.75	.25
	Co-operative Year	2 "	1.00	.25
	Centy. of C. M. C.	1 "	.50	.25
	Centy. of K. M. C.	1 "	.50	.15
1966	W. H. O.	2 "	—	.50
	UNESCO	2 "	1.00	.25
	Rice Year	2 "	.75	.25
1967	1st Anniv. Poya Holidays	4 "	2.00	.50
	Centy. of G. M. C.	1 "	.50	.15
	Tea Centenary	4 "	3.00	.75
	Inter. Tourist Year	1 "	.75	.25
	Girl Guides	2 "	.75	.25
	Col. H. S. Olcott	1 "	.25	.10
1968	20th Anniv. Indep.	2 "	3.00	.50
	Sir Baron Jayatillaka	"	—	—
	20th Anniversary W. H. O.	"	.75	—
	Colombo Inter. Air Port	"	—	—
	1400th Anniv. of Holy Quran	"	—	—
	International Human Rights Year	"	—	—
	Golden Jubilee of the A.C.B.C.	"	—	—
1969	E. W. Perera	"	—	—

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Please mention that you saw in Ceylon Stamp News.

# How to be UP TO DATE in Stamp Collecting

*By*

**K. Pathmanathan**

Man has to move with the times if he has to survive. Otherwise he will be left behind and consequently slip off. The yard stick of being UP TO DATE in stamp collecting is measured by the fact as to whether a collector has the latest stamp issued by the country whose stamps he collects. Every time he turns over the leaves of his album or stock book, he could check this fact and if he is not UP TO DATE, he must find out the reasons as to why he is not UP TO DATE. The following are some of the steps he could follow and thereby bring his collection UP TO DATE.

Due to the increase of stamps that are being issued by countries in the recent times, it is not possible for a man even with sufficient financial means to collect stamps of even a few countries. Hence it is advisable to collect stamps of one or two countries. In selecting a country, he should have in mind that he selects a country the stamps of which he could have easy access.

Having selected the country, he can write to any of the philatelic Bureaux of the country and get the necessary and relevant information of the stamps issued by the country and of the stamps that are to be issued in the future. The Philatelic Bureau will readily assist him in providing the necessary information.

It is advisable to collect either mint or used stamps or First Day Covers as it is easier to concentrate on one theme rather than on a number of themes.

After obtaining the latest stamps, he should either mount it in the album or place in the stock book immediately on receipt and take necessary steps to obtain the next forthcoming stamps. By getting advance information from the philatelic bureau and writing to his pen friends or to a stamp dealer in advance, he will be able to obtain the next forthcoming stamps shortly after release.

Stamp collecting has progressed tremendously and the Governments of countries are realising the potential money and publicity value of stamps. Dealers and collectors are being brought into it's wing daily. Stamp collecting offers a thrill these days than in the past as a result of the advance technology that has gone into the printing of stamps.

A stamp collector who is only UP TO DATE in his collection will realise the above fact and when one glances the pages of an UP TO DATE collection, he will see for himself the strides that had been made by philately in the march of the times.

## JERSEY POSTAGE STAMPS.

In October this year Jersey - hitherto a Protectorate of the British becomes a Postal Administration entirely Independent of Britain. Jersey will issue its own stamps which will be recognised internationally. The first issues are valued at  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. 1 d., 2 d., 3 d., 4 d., 5 d., 6 d., 9 d., 1 sh., 1 sh. 6 d., 1 sh. 9 d., 2 sh., 6 d., 5 sh., 10 sh. and £ 1. To mark the occasion of inaugurating her own postal administration a special issue of 4 d., 5 d., 1 sh. 6 d. and 1 sh. 9 d. stamps have been printed in addition to the standard range mentioned above. These stamps have been designed by R. G. St. Ilers of Coleraine, Northern Ireland. These stamps will not be available for sale before October.

### MALTA — A Stamp for Gandhi.

Mohandas Karanchand Gandhi - the apostle of peace — born October 2nd, 1869 and died on January 30, 1948. Malta released a 1 sh. 6d stamp to mark his birth centenary on March 24. Issued in sets of sixty.

### Two More I.L.O. Stamps

Cyprus issued two stamps in honour of the fiftieth anniversary of the I. L.O. Two vertical stamps are priced at 50 and 90 Mills — Cypriot currency

### MEXICO OLYMPIC STAMPS

The postage stamps of 15 paisa and one rupee were issued by Parkistan Post Office to commemorate the 1968 Olympic Hockey Championship. 15 paisa stamp is in light blue, black, gold and green while the one rupee stamp is in pink, black, gold and green. The format of the stamps are rectangular and vertical. There is a green panel at the top, in the left portion of which appears the lettering "Mexico Olympic 1968," The Olympic rings are shown in the right half portion all in reverse.

## FEDERAL REPUBLIC STAMPS.

The 20th anniversary of the Federal Republic of Germany is being commemorated with a special 30 pfenning postage stamp. This stamp will be used in all internal postage and letters sent out from the G. D.R. to Germany's five partner states in the European Common Market. The first issue was out on May 23 — that is the twentieth anniversary after the Basic Law - the provisional constitution - was proclaimed. The stamp bears the Weimar Republic's Riebes Eagle and the Eagle of the Federal Republic of Germany.

### WITHDRAWN

Nauru has withdrawn all remainder stocks of the 5c. and 10c. Independence commemoratives, the earlier Territory 1966 general series of, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 15, 25, 30, 35, 50 cents and \$1 values and the 15 cents white tern provisional stamp at the Nauru Post Office and at the Philatelic sales offices of the Australian Post Office on June 30.

### SPECIAL STAMPS COMMEMORATING PRINCE OF WALES' G. B. INVESTITURE

A set of five stamps - three at fivepence, one at ninepence and one at one shilling - go on sale today, Tuesday, to mark the Investiture of Prince Charles, Heir to the British Throne, as the Prince of Wales.

The British Post Office said the stamps bear the English and Welsh versions of the words, "Prince of Wales". The stamps were designed by David Gentleman, winner of the Reginald M. Phillips gold medal for stamp design.

Another memento of today's Investiture is a four shilling presentation pack containing the five newly-issued stamps in a folder bearing the same red dragoon design as the First-Day Cover.

A pictorial airletter form commemorating the Royal occasion will also be issued today. With text in English and Welsh, the design shows Caernarvon castle, site of the ceremony, against a foreground of sea and small ships.



## A STAMP ON THE FOOD DRIVE

Boosting her food production campaign, New Zealand has issued a special stamp on July 8.

New Zealand is one of the countries in Oceania which produces food and fruits on large scale.

Will our stamp issuing authorities recognise the fact that Ceylon which is now in the Development decade be given a fillip with a set of special stamps on Food Production ?

The 8c stamp, depicting New Zealand fruit production, is one of a set of new definitive stamps, portraying three of New Zealand's most prosperous industries and major export income sources, released on 8th July.

The stamp shows apples and apple orchards. Apples, the major export crop, earns more than NZ \$ 6,000,000 every year and are the most widely grown fruits. Other varieties grown include; stone fruits, peaches, apricots, nectarines, plums and cherries; citrus, oranges, lemons (standard and Eureka), and grape fruit; sub-tropical fruits tamarillos (tree tomatoes), Chinese gooseberries and passion fruit, feijoas and avocades (alligator pears); berry fruits; raspberry, blackcurrant, gooseberries, logan and boysen berries.

New Zealand's mild climate and well distributed rainfall have favoured the production of such a diverse variety of fruits and the evolution of handling and marketing techniques and the advent of the canning industry have contributed to their ever-increasing export success

and income. The success of fruit production and marketing in New Zealand is also due to the New Zealand Fruitgrowers' Federation, which has branches in all the major orchard areas - Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Nelson, Marlborough, Canterbury and Otago - which provides economical sources of chemicals and equipment to farmers, circulates information on fruit growing, runs a nursery for virus-free stock, and carries out extensive research on plant diseases and strains

Apples and pears are the bulk of the country's fruit export trade, which takes about half the four million or so bushel cases produced annually. Large quantities go to Britain, but also some are sent to Europe, North and South America, and South-east Asia. The main varieties of apples exported are: Sturmer, Jonathon, Cox's Orange, Pippin and Granny Smith, and Winter Cole is by far the most popular of the 55 varieties of pears. An export market in canned apple juices and sauces is developing to add to the diversity of canned fruits already long exported.

Apricots and strawberries are flown in the winter to Britain and European markets, and a worth-while market for Chinese gooseberries is growing in the United States. Other fruits, such as peaches, nectarines, plums, cherries and citrus fruits, are grown extensively for the New Zealand market.

The stamp, which will widen knowledge of the New Zealand fruit industry as an export market, was designed in New Zealand and printed in England.

# JUNIOR STAMP CLUB

## "SOFIA 1969"

Some 150,000 people, of whom more than 5,000 were from abroad, visited the "Sofia 1969" World Philatelic Exposition. It was held in the Bulgarian Capital from May, 31st to June 8th. Postal administrations and postal museums from 62 countries and private exhibitors from 84 countries took part in the exhibition, the biggest in world philately this year. The exhibition was held under the motto "Philately, a Road to Friendship, Peace and Co-operation."

The exhibits, some of which belonged to extremely valuable world-famous collections, were mounted on 5,000 frames, which covered an area of 7,000 square metres. It is interesting to note that the management of the British Museum for the first time permitted a part of the collection of the Museum to travel abroad, to be shown in Sofia.

The International Jury awarded the "Sofia 1969" Grand Prize of Honour to Stig. Ljunggren (Sweden), and the Grand International Prize to an exhibitor from Italy, who showed his collection under his pseudonym of "Emanuela." The Grand National Prize went to Dr. Theodor Popov, who had the best Bulgarian collection.

Gold medals were awarded to Sepp Klambauer (Austria), Fernand Dandois (Belgium), Jan Poulie (the Netherlands) Sten Christensen (Sweden), O. Bricca (Italy), G. Corsini, (Italy) Michael Lipschutz (France), Petr Lavrov (Czechoslovakia), Samuil Blechman (the USSR), Mirko Pasic (Canada) Cemil Filmer (Turkey), Max Mahr (the German Federal Republic), Eduard Herout (Czechoslovakia), Jean Weber (Switzerland) Gunna Roca (Sweden), Georg Simonsson (Sweden), "Scind Dawk" (Great Britain), Hiroyuki Kanai (Japan) and Kinichi Yamamoto (Japan).

Medals were awarded to 355 other exhibitors.

## NEW STAMPS

The fourth commemorative set of postage stamps that have been issued to mark the

"Sofia 69" World Philately Exhibition, is called "National Art Gallery-Old Bulgarian Art". It consists of nine stamps and a commemorative sheet, all featuring reproductions of Bulgarian icons of past centuries. The stamps have the following face values: 1 stotinka-Saint George (XIV century) 2 stotinki-the Virgin Mary and Saint John (XIV century), 3 stotinki-the Archangel Michael (XVII century), 5 stotinki-the Three Saints (XVII century), 8 stotinki-Jesus Christ (XVII century), 13 stotinki-Saint George and Saint Dimitar (XIX century), 20 stotinki-Christ Pantocrator (XIX century), 60 stotinki-the Forty Holy Martyrs (XIX century) and 80 stotinki-the Transfiguration (XIX century). There are four stamps with a face value of 40 stotinki on the commemorative sheet. Each stamp features an icon of Saint Dimitar (XVII century) and in the centre of the sheet there is a sketch of Alexander Nevski Cathedral, the badge of "Sofia 69" and the initials of the National Art Gallery and the inscription "World Philatelic Exhibition".

300,000 complete sets and 130 000 commemorative sheets have been issued.

The fifth and last set of postage stamps to mark the "Sofia 69" World Philatelic Exhibition is called "Sofia through the Ages". It consists of eight postage stamps and a commemorative sheet with the following face values: 1 stotinka- featuring a coin of the ancient Ulpia Serdica, 2 stotinki -an ancient coin with the image of the Church of Aesclepius in Serdica, 3 stotinki-the ancient Church of Saint Sophia, 5 stotinki-Boyana Church, 10 stotinki-National Assembly, 13 stotinki-the National Theatre, 20 stotinki-Alexander Nevski Cathedral, and 40 stotinki-Sofia University. The stamps on the commemorative sheet have a face value of 1 lev and feature the coat of arms of Sofia, surrounded by the initials of all the philatelic exhibitions that have been held so far, and the inscription "Sofia 69" World Philatelic Exhibition both in Bulgarian and French. There are 180,000 complete sets.

# ලංකා තැපැල් මුද්දර

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මෙම කොටසින් විස්තර කිරීමට මුද්දර දහ තවයක් ඇත. එය මුද්දර කාණ්ඩ දෙකකට අයිතිය. එක් කාණ්ඩයකට මුද්දර දෙකක් සහ ඉතිරිවා දෙවෙනි කාණ්ඩයට බෙදිය හැක. පළමුවන කාණ්ඩයට අයත් වන්නේ, වම් 1958 ජනවාරි මස 15 වෙනි දින නිකුත් කරන ලද ශත 4 සහ ශත 10 යේ මුද්දර දෙකයි. මෙම මුද්දර අමුතුවෙන් මුද්දරය නොකරන ලදී. මෙම මුද්දර පළමු මුද්දරයකින් ඉතිරිවූ මුද්දරවල කොටසකි. එනම් 1956 බ්‍රහ් පයන්ති උත්සවය සදහා නිකුත් කළ ශත 4 සහ ශත 10 යේ මිල ගණන් කපා හැර නිකුත් කරන ලද ඒවාය. මෙම මුද්දර දෙකෙහි වණ් සහ චිත්‍ර සම්බන්ධ විස්තර පසුගිය පූනි මාසයේ නිකුත් කළ මෙම සඟරාවේ 23 වන කොටසේ විස්තර කර ඇත.

දෙවන කොටසට අයත්වන මුද්දර නිකුත් කර ඇත්තේ 1958 මැයි 14 වෙනි දින දීය. මෙම මුද්දරවල නිබන්ධ ඉතාම වැදගත් විශේෂයක් නම් එහි රවේ නම (ශ්‍රී ලංකා) සිංහල අකුරින් ප්‍රධානව සටහන් කර තිබීමයි. එම මුද්දරවල විස්තර විභාග මෙසේය.

- ශත. 2. රූහුණු ජාතික විනෝදාන, දුම්රු හා කොළ පාව
- ශත. 3. අනුරාධපුරයේ පෞරාණික මුරගලක්, කලු සහ දුම්රු පාව
- ශත. 4. උඩරට නැව්වුවේක්, දම් සහ රතු පාව
- ශත. 5. පොලොන්නරු කිරි වෙහෙර, කොළ පාව
- ශත. 6. ගොයම් කැපීම, දුම්රු, කොළ සහ කලු පැහැය.
- ශත. 10. නැමිලි, දුම්රු සහ රත්වත් පාව
- ශත. 10. මපාලිගස්වල දැමියක, අළු පාව
- ශත. 15. වෙසක් ඔස්සි මල්, කොළ සහ දම් පාව
- ශත. 25. සිහිපි අළුසරුවෝ, රත්වත් හා නිල්
- ශත. 30. සිහිපි පව්ව, කහ සහ රතු
- ශත. 35. ස්වාධී ඔස්සි මල්, රතු සහ තද කොළ පාව

- ශත. 50. රුවිල් ඔරුවක්, කලු සහ අළු පාව
- ශත. 75. මහනුවර දළදා මාලිගය ඉදිරිපිට ඇති පොත්ගල, නිල් සහ රත්වත් පාව
- ශත. 85. හේ දළු නෙලීම, කලු සහ තද කොළ
- රු. 1.00. මැදිරිහිරි විහාරයේ නැටුණක්, නිල් සහ දුම්රු පාව
- රු. 2.00. ගල්මය විහාරය, නිල් සහ තද දුම්රු පාව
- රු. 5.00. ඉසුරුමුනි විහාරයේ ගල් කැටයම, දුම්රු සහ රත්වත් පාව
- රු. 10.00. ගොයම් කැපීම, තද රතු සහ දුම්රු පාව

මෙම මුද්දර වලින් බොහොමයක් තවමත් නිකුත් කරනු ලැබේ. දැනට තැපැල් භාස්තු සදහා මෙම මුද්දර පාවිච්චි කර ඇත. මෙම මුද්දරවල ශත 4, 5, 15, 30, 75, රු: 1.00 දක්වා ඇති මුද්දර හය නිකුත් කර ඇත්තේ එංගලන්තයේ මුද්දර සමාගමේ මගිනි. ඉතිරි මුද්දර ස්විට්සර්ලන්තයේ මුද්දරය කරන ලදී.

### අමරත්න (උපුටාගැනීම තහනම්)

ලංකාවේ වසර 1857 ඒට 1966 දක්වා නිකුත් කර ඇති හැම මුද්දරම අඩංගුකර විශේෂ ඇල්බම් දැනට අප වෙළෙඳ ආයතනයේ විකිණීමට තිබේ. ලංකා මුද්දර පිළිවෙලින් එකතු කරන්නන්ට මෙය අවශ්‍යම පොතකි. මුද්දරවල රූප සටහන් ඇතිව පිටු 142 කින් යුත් සහ කඩදැසි බැම්මකින් සමන්විත මේ පොතේ මිල

රු. 24/90. තැපැල් භාස්තු -/95.  
 ඔප්පුකරවල් ස්වැච්ඡ ස්ඵර්ෂ,  
 39, වැනම් විදිය, කොළඹ.

වැ. පෝන් 29758

## இலங்கை தபால் தலைகள் (25-ம் பகுதி)

இப்பகுதியில் 19 தபால் தலைகளின் விபரங்களை வெளியிடுகிறோம். இவற்றை இருபகுதிகளாகப் பிரிக்கலாம், முதலாம் பகுதியில் 2 தபால் தலைகளும் ஏனைய தபால் தலைகள் இரண்டாம் பகுதியில் அடங்கி இருக்கிறது.

முதலாம் பகுதியில் குறிப்பிடப்பட்ட இரு முத்திரைகள் 1958ம் ஆண்டு ஜனவரி மாதம் 15ம் திகதி வெளிவந்ததாகும். இவற்றின் கட்டணங்கள் 4 சதம், 10 சதம் இவை புதிய முத்திரைகள் அல்ல, 1956 ம் ஆண்டு பௌத்த ஜயந்திக்காக வெளியிடப்பட்டு மேலதிக கட்டணம் ரத்து செய்யப்பட்ட தபால் தலைகள் தான் இவை. இவற்றின் முழு விபரம் ஏற்கனவே வெளிவந்துள்ள 23 ம்பகுதியில் அடங்கி இருக்கிறது.

இரண்டாவது பகுதியில் உள்ள தபால் தலைகள் 14.5.1958ல் வெளிவந்துள்ளதேயாகும். இத்தபால் தலைகளின் சிங்கள எழுத்துக்கள் பெரிதாகவும் ஆங்கில எழுத்துக்கள் சிறியதாகவும் பொறிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. இவற்றின் விபரம் பின்வருமாறு :

- 2 சதம் - ஹருண பூந்தோட்டம் ஊதாவும் நீலப் பச்சையும்
- 3 சதம் - பறைய கல்துபி அனுராதபுரம் கறுப்பும் கத்திரிப்பூ நிறமும்.
- 4 சதம் - கண்டிய நடனக்காரர் கத்திரிப் பூ நிறமும் சிகப்பும்
- 5 சதம் - கிரிஷ்ணாரை பொலணறுவை பச்சை
- 6 சதம் - அறுவடை கறுப்பும் மஞ்சல் பச்சை
- 10 சதம் - இளநீர்க்குலை மஞ்சலும் ஊதாவும்
- 15 சதம் - வெசாக்பூ பச்சையும் கத்திரிப்பூ நிறமும்
- 25 சதம் - சிகிரியா சிற்பம் ஊதாவும் நீலமும்
- 30 சதம் - சிகிரிய சிகப்பும் மஞ்சலும்
- 35 சதம் - நட்சத்திர ஓக்கிட் மலர் சிகப்பும் கரும் பச்சையும்

50 சதம் - வள்ளம் கரும் நீலமும் சிலேட் கலரும்

75 சதம் - டல்டா மாளிகாவைக்கு முற்பக்க முள்ள வாசிகசாலை - நீலமும் ஒரேஞ் வர்ணமும்

85 சதம் தேயிலைத் தோட்டம் - கறுப்பும் கரும் பச்சையும்

ரூ. 1 மதிரிகிரியா - கரும் நீலமும் ஊதா நிறமும்

ரூ. 2 - கலஓயா - நீலமும் கரும் ஊதாவும்

ரூ. 5 - இசுறமுனியா சிற்பம் - ஊதாவும் ஒரேஞ்சும்

ரூ. 10 - அறுவடை - கரும் ஊதாவும் சிகப்பும் இவற்றில் பெரும்பாலான தபால் தலைகள் தபால் கந்தோரில் கிடைக்கும் இவைகளை தபால் கட்டணங்களுக்காகப் பாவிக்கலாம் இவற்றில் 4 சதம், 5 சதம், 15 சதம், 30 சதம், 75 சதம், ரூபா 1 இக்கிலார்தில் அச்சிடப்பட்டவை. ஏனையவை சுயிட்சலர்தில் அச்சிடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது.

**அமரரத்தின.**

(உரிமை ஆசிரியருக்கே)

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## இலங்கை தபால் தலைகள் (25-ம் பகுதி)

இப்பகுதியில் 19 தபால் தலைகளின் விபரங்களை வெளியிடுகிறோம். இவற்றை இருபகுதிகளாகப் பிரிக்கலாம், முதலாம் பகுதியில் 2 தபால் தலைகளும் ஏனைய தபால் தலைகள் இரண்டாம் பகுதியில் அடங்கி இருக்கிறது.

முதலாம் பகுதியில் குறிப்பிடப்பட்ட இரு முத்திரைகள் 1958ம் ஆண்டு ஜனவரி மாதம் 15ம் திகதி வெளிவந்ததாகும். இவற்றின் கட்டணங்கள் 4 சதம், 10 சதம் இவை புதிய முத்திரைகள் அல்ல, 1956 ம் ஆண்டு பௌத்த ஜயந்திக்காக வெளியிடப்பட்டு மேலதிக கட்டணம் ரத்து செய்யப்பட்ட தபால் தலைகள் தான் இவை. இவற்றின் முழு விபரம் ஏற்கனவே வெளிவந்துள்ள 23 ம்பகுதியில் அடங்கி இருக்கிறது.

இரண்டாவது பகுதியில் உள்ள தபால் தலைகள் 14.5.1958ல் வெளிவந்துள்ளதேயாகும். இத்தபால் தலைகளின் சிங்கள எழுத்துக்கள் பெரிதாகவும் ஆங்கில எழுத்துக்கள் சிறியதாகவும் பொறிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. இவற்றின் விபரம் பின்வருமாறு :

- 2 சதம் - ஹருண பூந்தோட்டம் ஊதாவும் நீலப் பச்சையும்
- 3 சதம் - பறைய கல்துபி அனுராதபுரம் கறுப்பும் கத்திரிப்பூ நிறமும்.
- 4 சதம் - கண்டிய நடனக்காரர் கத்திரிப் பூ நிறமும் சிகப்பும்
- 5 சதம் - கிரிஷ்ணாரை பொலணறுவை பச்சை
- 6 சதம் - அறுவடை கறுப்பும் மஞ்சல் பச்சை
- 10 சதம் - இளநீர்க்குலை மஞ்சலும் ஊதாவும்
- 15 சதம் - வெசாக்பூ பச்சையும் கத்திரிப்பூ நிறமும்
- 25 சதம் - சிகிரியா சிற்பம் ஊதாவும் நீலமும்
- 30 சதம் - சிகிரிய சிகப்பும் மஞ்சலும்
- 35 சதம் - நட்சத்திர ஓக்கிட் மலர் சிகப்பும் கரும் பச்சையும்

50 சதம் - வள்ளம் கரும் நீலமும் சிலேட் கலரும்

75 சதம் - டல்டா மாளிகாவைக்கு முற்பக்க முள்ள வாசிகசாலை - நீலமும் ஒரேஞ் வர்ணமும்

85 சதம் தேயிலைத் தோட்டம் - கறுப்பும் கரும் பச்சையும்

ரூ. 1 மதிரிகிரியா - கரும் நீலமும் ஊதா நிறமும்

ரூ. 2 - கலஓயா - நீலமும் கரும் ஊதாவும்

ரூ. 5 - இசுறமுனியா சிற்பம் - ஊதாவும் ஒரேஞ்சும்

ரூ. 10 - அறுவடை - கரும் ஊதாவும் சிகப்பும் இவற்றில் பெரும்பாலான தபால் தலைகள் தபால் கந்தோரில் கிடைக்கும் இவைகளை தபால் கட்டணங்களுக்காகப் பாவிக்கலாம். இவற்றில் 4 சதம், 5 சதம், 15 சதம், 30 சதம், 75 சதம், ரூபா 1 இக்கிலார்தில் அச்சிடப்பட்டவை. ஏனையவை சுயிட்சலர்தில் அச்சிடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது.

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## Canada Appoints Design Advisory Committee

*A lesson to P. B. C.*

Communications Minister Eric Kierans announced today the appointment of the members of a new Design Advisory Committee to the Canada Post Office, and of an increase in commissions paid to designers of Canadian Stamps.

As recommended in the report of the Task Force on Canada's philatelic product which was published last week, the Design Advisory Committee will select the artist-designers for Canada postage stamps, assign stamp subjects to them, assess their design submissions, and recommend final selection and printing methods for the stamp. It will also be responsible for approving final art work and printing plate proofs. The Committee will also function as a judging panel for occasional national competitions, and as general adviser on design for the Canada Post Office.

The Committee members, two of whom will be replaced biennially, are: Mrs. Doris Shadbolt, Curator of Vancouver Art Gallery; Charles Gagnon of Montreal, expert on graphic design; Allan R. Fleming of Toronto, one of Canada's outstanding typographic designers; Carl Mangold, prominent Montreal philatelist; Christopher Pratt, painter, St. Catherines, St. Mary's Bay Nfld; David Silcox, Visual Arts Officer of the Canada Council; and J. G. Cunningham, Director of Information and Public Relations for the Canada Post Office.

At the same time, Mr. Kierans announced fees, from \$400 to \$1500. While this revised figure is short of the Task Force recommendation it is in keeping with that paid stamp designers in other countries such as the United States.

Mr. Kierans said he expects the new Design Advisory Committee to meet formally for the first time in May to consider the philatelic programme for 1970.

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## JOEPEX 1969

The following is a list of the prize winners at the Philatelic Exhibition held at St. Joseph's College, Colombo, from 3rd to 6th July 1969:-

### Section I—Ceylon.

#### (a) Victorian Era

1. Gold Medal: Mr. H. J. Fernando
2. Silver Medal: Mr. H. J. Fernando
3. Bronze Medal: Mr. I. M. R. Wijetunge

#### (b) Edward VII to Independence

1. Gold Medal: Not awarded
2. Silver Medal: Not awarded
3. Bronze Medal: Mr. H. J. Fernando

#### (c) Post Independence

1. Gold Medal: Mr. F. D. Dias Abeyasinghe
2. Silver Medal: Mr. H. Siraj
3. Bronze Medal: Mr. A. H. Mohammed

#### (d) Special Studies

1. Gold Medal: Mr. H. J. Fernando
2. Silver Medal: Mr. F. Mendis
3. Bronze Medal: Master Alastair  
Tambinayagam

### Section II—Other Countries

1. Gold Medal: Mr. C. Felsing
2. Silver Medal: Mr. T. Tambinayagam
3. Bronze Medal: Mr. I. M. R. Wijetunge

### Section III—Thematics

1. Gold Medal: Mr. C. Felsing
2. Silver Medal: Mr. T. Tambinayagam
3. Bronze Medal: Mr. K. S. Rambukwella

### Section IV—Juniors

1. Gold Medal: Miss Ninel Fernando
2. Silver Medal: Master A. Dias  
Bandaranayake
3. Bronze Medal: Master A. Mendis

### Special Prizes

- I. The award for BEST EXHIBIT in the whole exhibition presented by the American Philatelic Society.  
Winner: Mr. Harold J. Fernando.
- II. The award for the best TOPICAL EXHIBIT presented by the American Topical Association.  
Winner: Mr. Conrad J. Felsing.

III. The award for the best FIRST DAY COVER exhibit presented by the American First Day Cover Society.

Winner: Mr. Phillip A. Perera.

IV. The most popular exhibit.

Seniors: Mr. H. Siraj.

V. The most popular exhibit.

Juniors: Master Adrian Tambinayagam.

(Signed) L. W. Gunaratne,

(Chairman for JoepeX 69.

Colombo, 15th July, 1969.

## EAST AFRICA

Visit to Uganda of His Holiness Pope Paul VI.

His Holiness Pope Paul VI will be the first Pope to visit the continent of Africa when on 31st July, 1969, he arrives in Uganda known historically as the Pearl of Africa.

The text of the announcement of this historical event released simultaneously in Kampala and Rome read in part:—

"We have been repeatedly and pressingly invited by many Bishops and the faithful to make a visit to Africa particularly to Uganda, where the new sanctuary is being busily constructed and where an altar has been raised to the honour of the African Martyrs whom we had the blessed fortune to canonize. It is the general desire that the ceremony of consecration of that altar be presided over by us, celebrating together with African Bishops, in the presence of that faithful people, whose touching response to the Christian vocation is well known.

"We have then, accepted this invitation. On this occasion also, our voyage will be rapid; and it will take place, please God, during the second half of the coming month of July. We shall visit Kampala, the capital city of Uganda, with the goodwill of the civil authorities, and with the yearned-for opportunity of meeting many Bishops of the African continent, already intended to hold a meeting there".

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Expressing the appreciation of the Government and peoples of Uganda, His Excellency the President of the Republic of Uganda, Dr. A Milton Obote M. P., sent the following message to the Holy Father :

"I have today been officially informed by the Pro-Nuncio Archbishop Amelio Poggi, of your intention to visit Uganda in the second half of the month of July this year, for the occasion of consecrating the altar of the shrine of the Martyrs at Namugongo. On behalf of the Government and people of Uganda, and on my own behalf, I would like to officially welcome Your visit to our country. We are delighted to hear this news. This is indeed an honour for Uganda and we look forward to receiving your Holiness."

The Holy Father will bless the altar of the new shrine to be built at Namugongo and he will celebrate Mass in the open near the site of the new shrine. It is estimated that the nature and extent of the site will enable as many as 300,000 people to witness the ceremonies.

His Holiness will also address the seven cardinals and thirty-two archbishops and bishops who will take part in the All-African Bishops' Symposium to be held near Kampala from 28th to 5th July. This meeting is another significant "first" for the continent of Africa and will explore ways in which the Bishops of Africa can work more closely together. About 42 participants are expected to attend the symposium which will take place at the Pastoral Institute of Eastern Africa, located at Gaba.

#### *The Martyrs of Uganda*

The first Christian Missionaries belonging to the Anglican Church Missionary Society came to Uganda in 1877. These were followed by the White Fathers in 1879. Kabaka (King) Mutesa I, welcomed them but it was not long before he bitterly resented the impact of Christianity on the pagan ways of life. This resentment flamed into frightful proportions during the reign of his successor Kabaka (King) Mwanga.

In October 1885 in spite of a guarantee of protection given by the Kabaka, Bishop Hannington, the first Protestant Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa and his party were spared to death while travelling to Buganda, Joseph Mukasa Balikuddembe, a trusted personal attendant of the Kabaka, a leading Christian and friend of the missionaries was outspoken in his condemnation of the killing of Bishop Hannington and his party. He was, on the order of the infuriated Kabaka, beheaded and burned on 15th November, 1885, near Nakivubo. Then followed the terrible persecution of Christians in the Court sparked off by the revelation that Muwafu, the son of the Prime Minister had been learning religion from Denis Sebuggwawo. The latter confirmed the story and the Kabaka beside himself with rage had him put to death. That night the Kabaka ordered the gates of the palace enclosure to be closed so that no one could go out and summoned all his pages to his Courtyard at Munyonyo. The next day 26th May, 1886, the Kabaka's Council met early in the morning. Pointing to the reed fence before him he said, "Let those who follow the Christian religion go over there. If anyone hides himself he will be beheaded immediately". It was a terrible choice for the assembled pages for they knew that once they crossed, nothing could save them from death.

First to rise was Charles Lwanga and taking young Kizito by the hand he moved to the place indicated by the Kabaka. They were followed by the other Christian pages. A soldier, Bruno Serunkuma, left the side of the Kabaka and joined the group. Thirty resolute young men stood by the reed fence ready to die. Turning towards them the Kabaka said, "I am going to burn you all". Then he gave the order to Mukajanga to take them to Namugongo and burn them.

Then began the terrible ordeal which was to end a week later at Namugongo. A few were reprieved as a result of the intercession of Father Lourdel and Mr. Mackay, Superiors of the White Fathers and the Protestant Mission respectively. Some were killed on the way but the majority were burned to death on Ascension day, 3rd June, 1886.

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# Postage Stamps of Maldive Islands

By GRIFFITH PEREIRA

*Nuwara Eliya*

Our friendly neighbour, the Maldive Islands also known as the enchanted Islands of the Indian Ocean is most important to the stamp collecting world. Before I deal with the stamps of this country let me say a few words about this country. I am sure the information given below about the Maldives will be shocking and surprising to most of the readers.

This country is formed by over 2,000 islands and lies in an extent of 470 miles from North to South in the Indian Ocean. It's also called the



Enchanted Islands. These islands are divided into 17 Atolls. The capital of this country is called "Male." It's a small island which lies in the very Southern atolls and a few degrees above the Equator is always very warm. The

length of this island is only about one mile and because of this reason a fine sea breeze can be obtained throughout the day which helps the hard worker of this island in a very useful way. The Maldive Islands became a republic on 1st January, 1953, but reverted to a Sultante in 1954. Male being the capital of Maldives, most of the Government offices, schools, hospitals, and headquarters are situated in the island. The Maldivi-

ans earn their living by fishing. Besides this, the other important industry are copra coir, lacquer, coir ropes, lace, mat weaving, collecting cowries, and preparing Maldive fish for export.

The post office of this country is situated in Male. There are no post offices in any other part of the country. So the one in Male is the post office as well as the G. P. O. of this country. The letters and parcels that are received from other countries are sent by small boats from the Male G. P. O. to other parts of the islands. Same method is used to gather all the letters at the Male G. P. O., and from here they are despatched by sea and air to the respective foreign countries.

The fishermen go out for fishing in small sailing boats far out into the sea. They leave their home islands at 4 or 5 a.m. and return late in the evening. Some times in pitch dark. For their mid-day meal they take rice and other eatables with them. On the return of each fishing boat the fish is divided equally among the ship crews. The cooking and smoking of the fish is entirely done by the women. They too work hard in turning out the fish into "Maldive Fish" which is very famous in Ceylon and India. The mode of travelling is very poor. The islanders travel by means of small sailing ships. Every month a small boat from each island will sail to Male. On their return they take provisions and other materials for the people of the respective islands. Very often these small sailing boats causes danger to the passengers. The aerodrome is situated in "Hululu" islands which is a few yards from Male.

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