

We are a very liberal, idealistic, international group with no affiliations to any philatelic society - although we have very cordial links with most India/Repal societies - and we have no pecuniary intersts whatsoever.

We plan to write articles on Nepalese philately and postal history. Since I launched the idea of group studies a year ago, some very keen members, especially from India, have joined our circle and we hope that gradually we will attract many more specialists.

The first aim of our organization is to collect all new information and results of research by individual members. In practice we handle it that way that someone volunteers to write a first draft (I am at present working on a draft for the 1/2 anna). This is then circulated amongst members for their comments, corrections, additions and ideas generally, whereby everyone should incorporate his own research work based on his collection. The material so gathered will then be pieced together and further evaluated.

Once we are satisfied that we have taken care of everything, we can proceed to publish our articles.

I think that, with so many good journals around who have confirmed that they would all like to publish our writings, it would be a waste of time if we tried to compete with them by issuing our own paper. On the contrary, it will be nice if we can help them by offering our articles free of charge. Our various articles should also raise some comments from readers so that, finally, we might well be in the position to print a handbook.

Personally, I believe that the greatest asset of our organization is to learn about so many new facts, based on material hidden in various collections throughout the world and which at times can be very relevant to one's own collection. These are, in brief our ideas. Should you have any further questions, I would naturally be glad to be of help. Everyone is, of course, invited to put forward suggestions and ideas. Our membership rules are very informal. There are no dues nor fees nor application forms - I firmly believe that enthusiasm is far more valuable to our cause than money! So, if you would like to join our team, please drop us a line and your membership is established. I hope that you will take this step and would like to extend our warm welcome! To enable us to know more about your collection, it would be of great help to have a brief description of your collection, especially of the scarcer sheets. And if you happened to be in the lucky position to have any unrecorded settings or unique items, could you perhaps please forward a photocopy? Finally, if you know of any fellow Nepal-enthusiast, please mention our name to him or invite him to join this our - your!-Study Circle.