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## Officer's Corner

Another year seems to have slipped by very quickly since I last wrote the secretary's report, but on reflection it seems to have been a very productive year for the society. First there was the very successful Auction No.71 organised by Leo Martyn who has been very ably assisted by Roger Skinner. Apart from the financial benefit to the Society we gained ten new members through the auction, so I would like to thank both Leo and Roger for all the work they have put in to make it such a success.

Our Vice-President Geoffrey Flack has also been representing the Society on his travels to Asia and keeping in touch with the collectors in Nepal.

The international exhibition in London 2010 is on the horizon. It is being held at The Business Design Centre in London on 8 - 15 May.

I was hoping to be able to give Richard a list of hotels within a reasonable proximity of the venue, but apart from the Hilton Hotel that is immediately outside the venue I could find nothing else in a search on the internet and so far a list of hotels has not been produced by the organisers. Meeting rooms are also at a premium but we have been allocated a meeting room for the morning on Wednesday 12 May.

My good friend and co-founder of our society Dr Wolfgang Hellrigl has been unwell for a long period this year and although recovering well has had to rest a lot. Whilst resting he has turned his attention to the Postal History of Mongolia. On behalf of the Society we all wish him well and look forward to seeing him on the philatelic scene again.

Colin Hepper

## Editor's Ramblings

Part II of Auction # 72 begins on page 13. Part III will be in issue 137.

I would like to welcome our newest Life Members **Jaya Hari Jha** and **Richard G. Azizkhan**.

Dues notices are in this issue of *Postal Himal* (for our non North American members). They are being sent separately to North American

members. **AS A REMINDER** dues for USA members will increase next year to \$30.00 and this is everyone's last chance to obtain a Life Membership for 15 times a 1-year rate. The Life Membership will return to 20 times a 1-year rate next year. The rates for 2008 are on the inside front cover for any who wish to obtain a Life Membership at the special rate.

## **CONGRATULATIONS:**

**Dick van der Wateren** was awarded Gold plus a Special Prize for his exhibit "Nepal Postal Stationery" at WIPA '08

**Paul C. Hager** was awarded Gold for his exhibit "Pashupati Era of Nepal" at the Southeastern Stamp Show

**Juan Hernandez** was awarded Silver for his exhibit "Postal Marks of British India on Victorian Cards for National Use; 1879-1910" at II National Postal History Exhibition, Havana

## **ERRATUM:**

Bob Gould wrote to point out that the Armand Singer receipt that appeared with his article ("More Himalayan Mountaineering Correspondence" 135:5) has nothing to do with the 1980 American Women's Dhaulagiri Expedition. [In fact it belongs with another article by him which has not yet appeared. I apologize for the mix-up - editor].

## **UPCOMING:**

**WESTPEX 2009** 24-26 April 2009 San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel

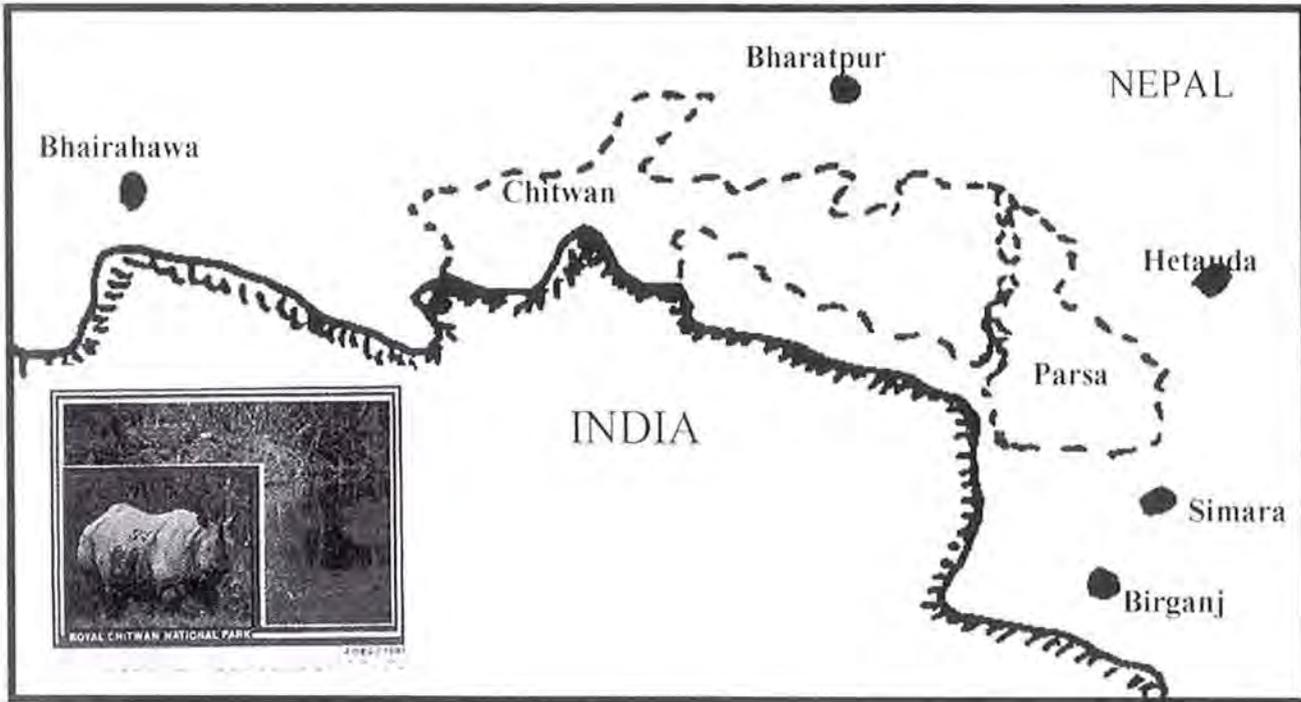
**LONDON 2010** 08-15 May 2010 Business Design Center, London

**LISBON 2010** 01-10 October 2010 info from [chris.king@postalhistory.net](mailto:chris.king@postalhistory.net). Entry forms needed by 30 April 2009.

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## Endangered Species in The Royal Chitwan National Park

Colin Hepper



The Royal Chitwan National Park was the first national park of Nepal and was established in 1973 to preserve a unique ecosystem, significantly valuable to the whole world. In 1984 the park was included in UNESCO's list of World Heritage Sites.

Formerly the Chitwan Valley was well known for big game and was exclusively managed as a hunting reserve for the Rana Prime Ministers and their guests until 1950.

In 1963 the area south of Rapti was demarcated as a rhinoceros sanctuary and in 1970 the late King Mahendra approved, in principle, the creation of the Royal Chitwan National Park.

Today it is a popular tourist attraction and many of the protected animal, mammal and bird species are shown on the postage stamps of Nepal.

There are more than 43 species of mammals in the park which is specially renowned for the protection of the endangered one-horn rhinoceros, tiger and gharial crocodile.



One-horned Rhinoceros

A survey in March 2008 counted over 400 one-horned rhinos in the park. This showed that the population was increasing which was in the main due to increased patrols against poachers. The horn is reputed to have aphrodisiac properties and is worth thousands of pounds in the Chinese herbal market.



One-horned Rhinoceros



Unlike the rhinoceros, the Bengal Tiger found in the park is decreasing rapidly in numbers due to poaching. When the rhino is killed for the horn the carcass is left behind, but nothing remains of a tiger as all parts are used in Chinese herbal medicines.

The Clouded Leopard is another of the world's species that, although not classed as being protected, falls into the 'threatened class'.



The Gharial Crocodile is one of two surviving members of the family 'Gavialidea', a long established group of crocodile-like reptiles with long narrow jaws. It is a critically endangered species.

Other endangered species to be found in the park are Guar, Wild Elephant, Four-horned Antelope, Striped Hyena, Pangolin, Gangetic Dolphin and Python.



The Guar is the largest species of wild cattle and is often called the Indian Bison. This, like the Clouded Leopard, falls into the 'threatened class'.

The wild elephants are threatened by poaching for their tusks, by loss of habitat due to human pressure on forested areas and by human conflict.





The four-horned antelope is another 'threatened' species found in to park. The male grows horns, usually four, two between the ears and two on the forehead. The horns never shed but may get damaged during a fight.



The Striped Hyena lives in the tropical savannah and grasslands and they are largely scavengers. They are nomadic, moving from water hole to water hole, but never straying more than 6 miles from one.



The Indian Pangolin has large overlapping scales over its body which act like armour. It can also curl itself into a ball as a defense against predators such as the tiger. It feeds on ants and termites, digging them out of their mounds using its long claws.

The Gangetic Dolphin is a fresh water dolphin primarily found in the river Ganges. It is a critically endangered species with an estimated 2,000 remaining.



Many endangered species of birds are also found in the park among which are the Bengal Florican, Giant Hornbill, Lesser Florican, Black Stork and White Stork, A few of the common birds are Peafowl, Red Jungle Fowl and different species of Egrets, Heron, King Fishers, Flycatchers and Woodpeckers.



The Bengal Florican is a critically endangered species. A survey in the park in 2007 showed only 5 - 7 male birds, which is a decline of 86% since 1982. They live in open tall grassland habitats with scattered bushes.

The Lesser Adjutant Stork is a large wading bird typically 43 - 48 inches tall, weighing about 11 pounds. The head and neck are like those of a vulture. They breed in wetlands in tropical lowlands.



The Great Hornbill, although having a normal life span of 50 years is now listed as a threatened species. It is a large bird nearly four feet tall with a weight of approximately six pounds. The most prominent feature is a bright yellow and black casque on top of its massive bill. The casque is hollow and serves no known purpose.

The Woodpecker is not an endangered species, but is found living in the park. They have sharp chisel-like bills for pecking holes in tree trunks and long barbed extensible tongues with which they impale their insect prey. Their spiny tail feathers act as a prop in climbing, resting and drilling.



Amphibians and reptiles occur in the park, some of which are the Cobra, Green Pit Viper and various species of Frogs.



The Cobra is a venomous snake and its most recognizable feature is its hood, a section of its neck which can flatten outwards in a threat display to make it appear larger.

The Green Pit Viper's green coat is camouflaged by yellow mottles outlined by black. Its camouflage often allows it to go unnoticed even to a trained eye until it moves.



The Royal Chitwan National Park ('Chitwan' means "in the heart of the jungle") has a fine history of conservation. It covers an area of 932 square miles in the flat lowland regions of southern Nepal and houses many more species than those listed in this article.



(a)



(b)



(c)

### Technical Details

	(a)	(b)	(c)
Subject	Nativity of Buddha	Beijing Olympic Games	Nepal Coat of Arms
Denomination	Rs 2.00	Rs 15.00	Rs 1.00
Color	4 with Phosphor Print	4 with Phosphor Print	4 with Phosphor Print
Composition	20 stamps per sheet	20 stamps per sheet	20 stamps per sheet
Size	40 x 30 mm	31.75 x 31.75 mm	40 x 30 mm
Process	Offset Lithography	Offset Lithography	Offset Lithography
Quantity	2 Million	1 Million	2 Million
Format	Vertical	Square	Vertical
Paper	High Quality Stamp	High Quality Stamp	High Quality Stamp
Designer	Mohan N. Rana	Mohan N. Rana	Mohan N. Rana
Printer	Cartor Security, France	Cartor Security, France	Cartor Security, France

Thanks to the Government of Nepal, Nepal Philatelic Bureau for providing the First Day Covers

## **Tibetan Post Office at Rongbuk** **submitted by Brian Smith**

The Mount Qomolangma (Everest) post office, which claims to be the highest in the world, is doing a brisker trade after journalists, Olympic official and engineers moved into the area to prepare for the Everest torch ascent. Business had been affected after foreigners were banned from Tibet after the recent riots in the regional Lhasa.

The post office, perched at 5,135 meters (about 17,000 feet) above sea level opens at 11 am (0300 GMT) every day seasonally from April to August. It was first set up inside the base camp at the foot of Mount Everest on May 16, 2001, but was moved five kilometers away after preparing activities started to get ready to take the torch up to the peak and security became tighter. It receives around 100 letters on average every day.

"I am very excited about posting the letter because I think it is a very precious experience for me in my life to send a letter today from here," said customer Sha Shiwei, deputy director of the publicity department of the

Beijing Olympic Organizing Committee (BOCOG).

China has closed the north face of Mount Everest to expeditions until the Olympic torch ascends its peak.

There are three employees at the post office altogether - the postmaster, his assistant and the driver. It costs three yuan (about 43 U.S. cents) to send a letter to the capital city of Beijing, and 9.5 yuan (about 1.35 US dollars) to send a letter to England.

"We have made a special stamp chop for the Olympic torch relay to Mount Qomolangma. This special stamp chop was made after the approval from BOCOG. Now we are not using this stamp chop because we should get approval from BOCOG first. We cannot use the stamp chop at will, we should listen to BOCOG. When they say yes, we can use the chop. Now the stamp chop is locked in a strong box. When we get notice we will use it," said the postmaster Ci Ren Ping Cuo.

### **Letters to the Editor**

Colin Hepper write to say that perhaps Surendra Shrestha has mis-understood the comments about the Perkins Bacon Company going out of business in the late 1930's. [see also articles in *PH* 134:5 and 135:12 - ed.] The 1935 printings of the Pashupati stamps were

printed by Perkins Bacon, it was only sometime after that, they closed the business, thus giving the postal authorities in Nepal a problem when the needed new supplies of stamps in 1940. The result was they printed their own in Kathmandu.

Doug Hall writes to announce the availability of A Concise English-Nepali/Nepali English Dictionary which includes over 12,000 entries in English and over 15,000 entries in Nepali. Nepali words are given in both Devanagari script and in phonetic transliteration using the Roman alphabet. The price is \$15.00 including shipping within the US. Information about the dictionary, the project and the refuges can be found at [www.nepaldictionaryproject.org](http://www.nepaldictionaryproject.org). Note: it is 'org' not 'com'. The site has an order form and payment can be made through PayPal.

The dictionary has been published to help 60,000 Nepali-speaking Bhutanese refugees who are being resettled in the US. The project is also accepting donations from individuals, church groups and others, so that the dictionaries can be distributed for free to the refuge families. Doug is a co-organizer of the project [and a member of NTPSC] along with Dr. Kamal Adhikary, author of the dictionary. The dictionary might be of interest to NTPSC members whose interest in Nepal goes beyond philately.

# News from Kathmandu

## Surendra Lal Shrestha



हुलाक पत्र Post Card





*THE NEWS FROM KATHMA.*

**The 4-way Test**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

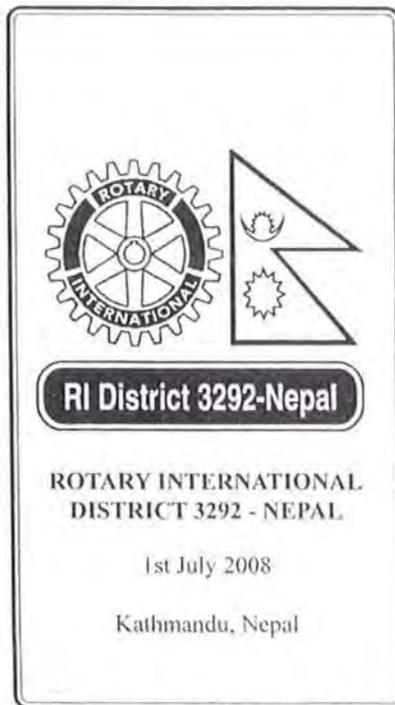
The last Governor of RI District 3290 is Rtn. Anirudha Roy Chowdhury of RC Calcutta Metro City.

The First Governor of RI District 3292- Nepal is Rtn. Dr. Tika Man Vaidya of RC Patan West.

Nepal Philatelic Society has issued this Commemorative Cover on the Historical Occasion of formation of **Rotary International District 3292-Nepal** with the support of Postal Services Department, Nepal Government for the cancellation mark.



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## The 2008 WESTPEX Experience

### Frank E. Vignola

It was another stimulating meeting at WESTPEX for the Nepal and Tibet Philatelic Study Circle. The highlights included viewing Colin Hepper's gold medal Nepal Postal History exhibit and the business meeting called to elect a new president. The absence of Armand Singer was felt by all, and his energetic charm and stories will be missed. Colin Hepper, who travelled all the way from England, was elected president and Geoffrey Flack, vice-president. Colin has certainly contributed a considerable amount to the study of Nepal philately over the years and we appreciate his accepting the responsibilities of president. Richard Hanchett also volunteered to keep being the editor of *Postal Himal*. Being editor is not an easy task, especially as those submitting articles always like to wait until the last minute to get them in (thank you Richard for the reminder notices).

Personally I enjoyed meeting fellow philatelists and discussing the latest material and publications. Colin Hepper brought over several copies of his latest book on the modern

postmarks of Nepal and I was able to get a copy. This is certainly a useful addition to the earlier work with Hellrigl.

Roger Skinner was there as always, being his cheerful self and running the philatelic library. He certainly helps the show by bringing boxes and boxes of philatelic material. Al Zulueta was there ready to don his cowboy hat. He had a excellent exhibit of Afghanistan at WESTPEX. [also awarded gold]. Gerhard Wolf also attended the meeting and it was enjoyable to meet with him. Leo Martyn and Geoffrey Flack added their tales about finding Nepal and Tibet material. There was a lively discussion about how to determine the value and rarity of material. Dealers would really like to know what a fair price for a Nepalese cover is. While there is a limited amount of many items, there is also a finite demand.

It is always pleasant and invigorating to meet fellow hobbyists and examine new items from far off lands. This was a great show and I look forward to good things for the next year.

### Letter to the Editor

I regularly read [www.nepalnews.com](http://www.nepalnews.com) and keep track of the current political situation in Nepal. The current year has seen the election of the Constituent Assembly, the abolition of the monarchy, the election of the new republic's first President, and most recently the election of Prachanda, the Maoist leader, as the first Prime Minister of the republic.

I wonder whether these events have had any effect on Nepal's postal system. In particular, I wonder whether postal history buffs (I'm not one) might not benefit from knowing of those changes. For example, were any special cancellations applied by one or more post offices upon the declaration of the republic? Were royal mailing privileges discontinued? What would be the last date for official mail to have been sent from the Narayanhitti Palace?

Maybe one of our members who resides in Kathmandu could bring us some news about the ways recent political developments have intersected with philately.

Doug Hall

## **London International Stamp Exhibition 2010**

**Colin Hepper**

Although we are still eighteen months away from the London Exhibition I can let you know some of the details of the exhibition.

It is being held at The Business Design Centre in Islington, London on 8 to 15 May 2010. The exhibitions held in London in 1980, 1990 & 2000 received substantial funding to offset the high costs involved. The 2010 event does not have this funding and so have had to use a much smaller building than the previous exhibitions. To meet the criterion of the International Federation of Philately, to stage a full world stamp exhibition, 2500 frames must be provided for competitive displays. The Business Design Centre can only provide space for 1250 frames, so for the first time at an international exhibition half the exhibits will be on display for the first four days and the remaining exhibits on show for the final four days. Entries in the traditional,

Revenues, Postal Stationery and One-Frame classes will be shown on 8 to 11 May; entries in the Postal History, Aerophilately, Thematic Philately and Youth classes on 12 to 15 May.

Meeting rooms are at a premium and our Study Circle has managed to book a room at the nearby Hilton Hotel for a meeting on 12 May 2010 from 10 am to 1.45 pm. The meeting room is provided with chairs, and four display frames each of which holds sixteen standard size album sheets. The cost of the room is £250.

I have agreed to donate £200 from the Study Circle to the exhibition which will be in the form of sponsoring an exhibition frame at £10 each frame and the name of our Study Circle will be on each of the twenty sponsored frames.

I will provide updated information as and when it becomes available.

### **Hotel Information for London 2010 provided by Colin Hepper**

Please note that Colin did NOT supply either the star ratings, comments or recommendations concerning the hotels. They were provided by the London 2010 Exhibition Committee - ed.

#### **Hilton Hotel \*\*\*\* Highly Recommended**

Next to the Business Design Centre

£200.00 - £220.00 double room

Limited number of rooms for 2010

[www.hilton.co.uk/islington](http://www.hilton.co.uk/islington)

#### **Jurys Inn Islington \*\*\***

5 minute walk - not highly recommended in need of refurbishment (hopefully refurbishment will be done by 2010)

£175.00 per room to £200.00 double room

[www.londonhotels.jurysinn.com](http://www.londonhotels.jurysinn.com)

#### **The Holiday Inn Express, London City \*\*\***

7 to 10 minutes by bus or 5 minutes by underground

Price for 2010 not clear at present

[www.londonhotels.holidayinn.com](http://www.londonhotels.holidayinn.com)

**Novotel London St. Pancreas \*\*\***

Recommended

7 to 10 minutes by bus or 5 minutes by underground

Price for 2010 not clear at present

[www.novotel.com](http://www.novotel.com)

**Premier Inn \*\*\***

Very Highly Recommended

close to Euston/Kings Cross/St Pancras

10 minutes by bus (numbers 30, 73, 472, 38, 214) or 5 minutes by underground

The bus stop is directly outside the Premier Inn on your return from the Exhibition Hall. Directly opposite the hotel is Euston Station, Kings Cross Station, St. Pancras and the British Library and buses go to Islington High Street, a 2 minute walk away from the Exhibition Hall

Approximately £150 inclusive of VAT and Breakfast - double room

Triple rooms are available for families willing to share

The Premier inn has recently been refurbished and has a restaurant and a coffee shop

The earlier you book, the cheaper the rooms are. They will take bookings for 2010 from the end of this year

[www.premierinns.com](http://www.premierinns.com) select Euston Road London

I have personally checked out all the hotels and the above are my findings. There are many hotels in London but the ones listed are close to the Exhibition Hall.

If you wish to search the internet for London Hotels, Bed and Breakfast, etc. you need Islington, Kings Cross, Euston Road area.

Before you book you may like to check with me on the area. Some areas of London, like most cities, are not recommended. Do not hesitate if you require further help [susanellis@btconnect.com](mailto:susanellis@btconnect.com)

My apologies to whomever sent me the following article. I neglected to put your name on the article when I received it. - ed.

Over the years I have regularly mentioned stamps featuring current monarchs. Now the world has one less monarch with the decision by the Parliament in Nepal to end the 239-year reign of the House of Shah. King Gyanendra, who came to the throne following the assassination of his brother in June 2001, was told to leave his Palace in Kathmandu in June. The King has been featured on just 4 stamps during his short reign - the first anniversary of his accession, and to mark his 57th, 58th and 59th birthdays.

In July I noted the new King of Bhutan, stating that he was yet to be featured on a stamp. None showing him has been listed in the catalogue supplement in *GSM* when I wrote the article. Thanks to a reader, I can now report that he has indeed been featured on a stamp, along with his four predecessors. The new CD-stamp celebrates the centenary of Bhutan's monarchy and portrays all the kings since 1907.

## Auction #72 Part II -- Closing Date February 11, 2009

**OSC = Official Stampless Cover**      **pmk(s) = Postmark(s)**      **Ktm = Kathmandu**  
**SG = Stanley Gibbons**                      **pts = points**                      **IE = Indian Embassy**  
**IL = Indian Legation**                      **BL = British Legation**              **XPO = Exchange P.O.**  
**RL = Registration Label**                  **Pash = Pashupati stamp**              **Reg = Registered cover**  
**ptf = part telegraph form**                  **doc = document**

Postmark references taken from 'A Catalogue of Nepalese Postmarks (1879-1935)'

Lot	Description	£s
86	1 X 4p, 1 x 8p Pashupati stationery envelopes, both registered with additional stamps and both have the 'Head of Postal Department' hand stamp on the flap.	6
87	1935 - 2 Reg both with 24p stamps (SG 55)	8
88	1946/7 4 x Reg all with 24p local Pash (SG 61). Fine pmks Sarlahi, Jaleswar, Kadarban	16
89	3 Reg all pmk Kalaiya (P111, 70 pts). Dates range from 1925 to 1954.	20
90	3 Reg with local Pash. Pmks Dhulikhel, Sarlahi, Kadarban	15
91	8 Reg using a range of stamps in 1950s. All with fine clear pmks.	25
92	1959 3 Reg all with mixed frankings of local Pash and 1949-59 stamps. VF pmks Biratnagar Ex. P.O. and Birganj Ex. P.O.	15
93	1957 2 Reg with mixed frankings of 1935 Pash and 1949/54 issue stamps.	10
94	1945 cover sent to India. 4 x 2p local Pash. Pmk faint Ilam 'Hulak Arched', transit <u>fine Pashupatinagar 'Exchange Nepal' pmk which is the only recorded example of this pmk.</u>	25
95	1952 Reg with 1 x SG 71, cancelled with late use of Ridi (P23) pmk	5
96	1959 Reg to India, 6 x SG 59, 2 x SG 57, 1 x SG 117. pmk blurred Rajapur single line hand stamp, Gaucher transit pmk	8
97	8 covers to India in the 1950s using stamps of this period. Fine pmks Bhadrapur, Ktm Exchange, Butwal, Bijayapur, Birganj	25
98	5 internal Nepal covers, late 1950s. Fine pmks Bijayapur, Thankot, Biratnagar, Singha Durbar, Birganj	10
99	1953 Reg with 3 x SG 67. Pmk Bhimpedi (P43) is well worn, with manuscript date	5
100	1960 Reg with 11 x SG 104, 1 x SG 103 M/S cancelled with P.O. name and date written across the block of stamps	5
101	Reg with 24p local Pash, fine Palpa pmk, damage on one corner	5
102	1958 Reg 1 x SG ??, 1 x SG ??, pmk Chautara	3
103	1950s 8 x OSC with 'All Devanagari' pmks Shivraj, GPO I, GPO II, Jaleswar, Lalitpur	5
104	1942 cover from Butwal to Bhairahawa via Nautanwa Bazar in India	5
105	1960 cover with superb strike of Sanghutar Bazar ornamental pmk. Also fine pmks GPO II, Singha Durbar. Fine	10
106	1960 cover 1 x 6p, 1 x 8p, 2 x 16p Service stamps. Pmk Rawanathpur hand dated seal. Ktm arrival	5

Lot	Description	£s
107	1954/60, 25 local covers all with manuscript cancellations	20
108	1961 Reg 5 x 8p 1 x 6p Service stamps. Pmk small pms. Fine	5
109	Reg with block of 8 x 8p local Pash (SG 59) + 1 x SG 117. Pmk Sarlahi 24 Oct 1967. Very late usage of local Pash stamps on a non-philatelic item	10
110	6 internal covers all using 4p 1907 Pash	10
111	5 Reg all using 1935 issue Pash	10
112	5 internal covers using 2p or 4p local issue Pash	5
113	4 covers Nepal to India using local Pash	5
114	17 Reg using a variety of local Pash. Range of different pmks	50
115	5 internal covers + 1 to USA using stamp issued in 1960s	10
116	24 internal covers using a range of stamps issued in 1960s. Good range of pmks	25
117	5 unaddressed FDCs for SG 97, SG 117, SG 114, SG 331	5
118	5 covers from 1960s. Pmks Rajbiraj, Rani Sikoyani, East No. 3, Taulihawa	5
119	14 covers using a range of 1960 Service stamps	15
120	10 x 1960s OSCs	5
121	11 x 1970/80 OSCs	5
122	16 different VIP folders for stamps issued in the 1970s	15

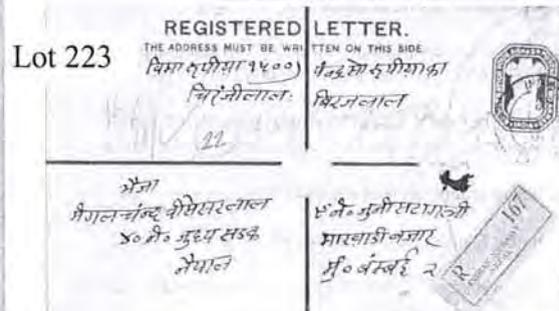
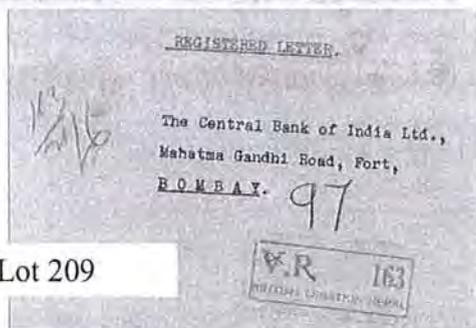
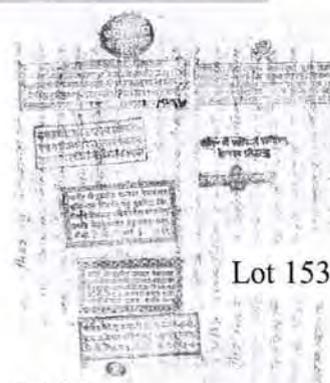
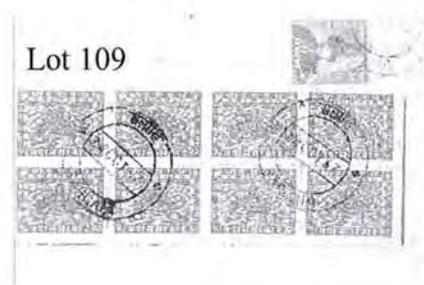
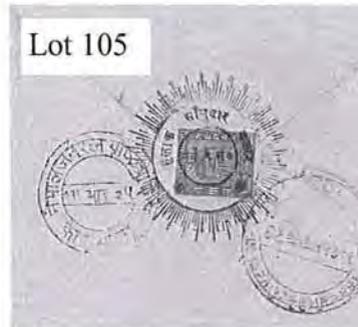
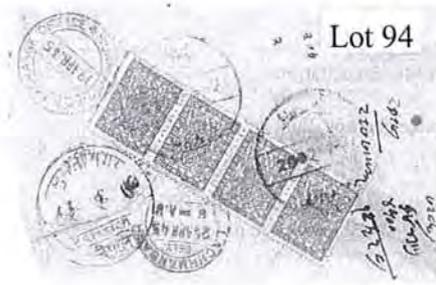
### Telegraph/Telephone/Documents

150	Block of 44 1907 4p Pash on ptf, cancelled with well worn Chisapani classic cancellor (C50). Unable to read date on form but it is probably 1929	25
151	Block of 34 1907 4p Pash + 1 x 2p on ptf cancelled with worn Chisapani (C50). Form dated March 1929	25
152	Handwritten doc with fine strike of King Prithvi Bir Bikram Shah's Royal Zodiac Seal	25
153	Handwritten doc with fine strike of King Prithvi Bir Bikram Shah's Royal Zodiac Seal. Doc. also bears 6 different rectangular seals of Commanding Generals, with other smaller seals. Scarce doc	50
154	1942 handwritten doc with Large Seal of Prime Minister Joodha Shumsher.	15
155	1943 handwritten doc with Large Seal of Prime Minister Joodha Shumsher.	15
156	1950 handwritten doc with Large Seal of Prime Minister Joodha Shumsher.	15
157	Handwritten doc with Large Seal of Prime Minister Mohun Shumsher.	15
158	40R Court Fee doc with additional Court Fee stamps to the value of 32R50p + 1R stamp (SG 72). All stamps have holes punched in them	20
159	Telegram, handwritten on European paper. On back 4 x 50p Service stamps cancelled with <i>telephone pmk</i>	10
160	Telegram, handwritten on native paper. On back 3 x 32p Service stamps cancelled with <i>telephone pmk</i>	10

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161	1975 printed telegram form sent from Janakpur. A message written in English across the form says they were unable to deliver it	5
162	1975 printed telegram form with message written in English. Sent to Pokhara	5
<b><u>British/Indian Post Office</u></b>		
200	1903 Unpaid letter to Nepal with Postage Due cachet (B58) changed to 2 annas by hand. Small Motihare Unpaid. Nepal 1st Delivery (B52)	10
201	1907 Reg from India, 3 1/2 anna Indian stamps (1 torn) Nepal (B27) receiving. Bottom flap missing	5
202	1884 Unpaid letter from India, Postage Due cachet (B57), Calcutta, Motihare pmks, Nepal receiving (B25). Clean cover with clear pmks	15
203	1887 cover from India to Nepal 2 x 1/2 anna stamps. Nepal (B25 with no year shown). Tatty and stained around edges	10
204	1890 small India 1/2 anna postal stationery envelope to Nepal. Nepal receiving (B32). Clean cover	10
205	1899 India 1/4 anna postcard. Nepal receiving (B25). One corner damaged.	8
206	1932 cover India to Nepal. Nepal receiving (B29)	8
207	1932 cover from Nepal, 1 anna cancelled Nepal (B16). Blurred Ktm oval	8
208	1936 letter from India to Nepal. Raxaul transit, Nepal Unpaid (B62)	20
209	1948 Reg with Indian stamps 5 x 1 anna, 1 x 1/2 anna. Pmk IE. VP label Type 30 altered for Registration number. Scarce	20
210	1946 Reg. Pmk BL. RL (B88)	10
211	1946 Reg. Pmk BL. Type 7 RL	10
212	1948 Reg. Pmk IE. Type 9 RL. XPO Type 2 on reverse	10
213	same as Lot 212	10
214	1946 Reg. Pmk BL on 4 1/2 anna Indian stamps. B88 Legation cachet. Cover torn across front	8
215	Registration receipt card stamped with BL cachet B88	8
216	Letter to India cancelled with BL machine cancel (B83)	8
217	1953 large Insured cover with 14 Indian stamps cancelled with faint Nepal (B29), Type 5 RL	10
218	Reg to India. Pmk IE. RL Type 15, Type 3 Ktm XPO cachet	10
219	1953 India postal stationery Registered Envelope. Pmk IE, Type 14 RL	10
220	1955 letter. Pmk IE, Type 3 XPO cachet. Type 16 RL has been misfed into the printer and shows dotted lines across the label	10
221	1956 surface mail letter to Australia, cancelled with unrecorded IE machine cancel which is similar to B109	15

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222	1954 India 6 anna Registered envelope with additional stamps to the value of 4 Rupees, 3.6 annas. Pmk IE, XPO cachet Type 3, RL Type 13a, 2 filing holes	12
223	1955 India 6 anna Registered envelope with additional stamps to the value of 2 Rupees, 2.6 annas. Pmk IE, XPO cachet Type 3, RL Type 14, 2 filing holes	12

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