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No: Phil/SC/Satyajit Ray/2021-22

Dated at Kolkata-700012, the 21 .09.2021

Sub:- Release of a Special Cover on "Remembering Satyajit Ray on 66 years of Pather Panchali in his Birth Centenary Year," to be released on 23.09.2021(Thursday) at Kolkata GPO.

Ref: - Your letter no.TE/GPO/01/2021 dated 04.09.2021.

Sir,

I am directed to intimate that the Chief Postmaster General, West Bengal Circle has been pleased to approve the release of a Special Cover with cancellation on 23/9/2021 (Thursday) on "Remembering Satyajit Ray on 66 years of Pather Panchali in his Birth Centenary Year," at Kolkata GPO by Postmaster General, Kolkata Region. The details are given below:

- a) The designs of the Special Cover and the Special Cancellation as approved by the competent authority are enclosed herewith and you are permitted to print 2000 (Two thousand) pieces of Special Covers strictly as per the corrections made by the competent authority on the designs.
- b) The sale price of the Special Cover should not exceed @Rs 20/- per piece excluding the cost of postage stamp.
- c) All the printed Special Covers must be handed over to the Director, Kolkata GPO, Kolkata-700001 for cancellation before release. Philatelic Bureau, Kolkata GPO will set up an extension counter at the venue of release of Special Cover on the day of release and all the Special Covers (except 500 pieces) will be available there for sale and all the sale proceeds of these Special Covers will be given to the proponent along with the balance of unsold Special Covers.
- d) You are also requested to deposit 500 (five hundred) pieces of blank Special Covers at Philatelic Bureau, Kolkata GPO.
- e) The entire expenditure for releasing and holding the function for release of the Special Cover is to be borne by you (proponent). Besides this, a prescribed fee of Rs. 12,500/- (Rupees Twelve Thousand five hundred) only may be deposited at Kolkata GPO through cash or cheque.

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- f) The Special Cover should conform strictly to one of these three sizes: i) 11cm x 22 cm, ii) 13cm x 22 cm & iii) 16cm x 24.3 cm and paper should be Maplithos 176 GSM. The back side of the special cover should contain the logo of Department of Posts and the words "Approved by: the Chief Postmaster General, West Bengal Circle, Department of Posts" (also in Hindi version), with Code no-WB/13/2021.
- g) Formal invitation card/letter along with the latest minute to minute programme of the release function to be held on 23.09.2021(Thursday) may kindly be sent to the undersigned at the earliest.
- h) It may kindly be ensured that no sale of the said Special Cover takes place before its formal release on 23.09.2021 (Thursday).

Enclosure: as stated above.

Yours faithfully,

Asstt. Director of Postal Services (BD & Philately)
Office of the Chief Postmaster General,

West Bengal Circle, Kolkata-700012

Copy to :-1.The Postmaster General, Kolkata Region, Kolkata-700012 for kind information and necessary action. The PMG, Kolkata Region may attend the special cover release function as desired by the Competent authority.

2.The Director(Philately), Department of Posts, Dak Bhavan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001 for kind information.

Enclo:-One specimen copy of the Special Cover and Cancellation Cachet.

3.The Director, Kolkata GPO, Kolkata-700001 for kind information and taking necessary action as per the existing Rules & Procedures of the Department regarding release of any Special cover vide "the Handbook on Philately" and instructions issued in this regard time to time. Philatelic Bureau, Kolkata GPO will set up an extension counter at the venue of release on 23-09-2021(Thursday) for sale of the Special Covers. Necessary action may kindly be taken to supply 200 special covers to the ADG(Philately), Dak Bhawan, New Delhi for sale at e Post office, vide Directorate letter under F. No.25-01/2015-Phil dated 17-02-2016, circulated through C.O. letter under no.MM&PO/Rlg/SC/2016 dated 22.02.2016 & 26.04.2016. Further necessary action may be taken as per C.O. letter no.MM&PO/Phil/Misc/2019 dated 17.10.2019.

If required, the proponent may be contacted through e-mail info@theismevents.in and mobile no.8240461559.

4.The ADPS(Technology), O/o the Chief PMG, W.B.Circle, Kolkata-700012 for kind information and taking necessary action towards uploading the information in the website of the Department. Enclo:-One specimen copy of Special Cover and Cancellation Cachet.

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