

CHAPTER THIRTY-SIX

SPECIAL ISSUES 1990-1994.

Note: All illustrations in this Chapter are reduced by 10% unless otherwise stated.

1 January 1990.

Visit Malaysia Year 1990.



“Visit Malaysia Year 1990” was intended to focus tourist publicity. An emblem of the Sultan Abdul Samad Building on a sun and ribbon was used, which also appeared on the preceding two issues, on postal stationery and on selected issues during the year. The same emblem was reused in 1994 for a similar promotion.

Designed by Azmi bin Kassim, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm designs featured:

20c.: Coconut trees, an outline map of south east Asia and colours of dawn/sunset;

50c.: Musicians playing traditional drums;

\$1: Scuba diving, windsurfing and yachting.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10x10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A (x4) above and below the left and right columns and SPM emblems (x4) to left and right of the top and bottom columns. The paper was phosphor-coated (green-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The watermark was Multiple SPM sideways reading up. The comb perforations normally measured 12.2, but an example of the 50c. exists used with perforation 13.2 x 12.9 (no mint examples have been seen by the author). The left, top and bottom margins were perforated through, whilst the right was imperforate.

Proofs:

Colour separation proofs exist for the 50c. ¹

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope showed dancers in a wide variety of costumes.

The first day cover, printed by Rota Envelopes and sold at 20c., featured the campaign emblem.

The special first day postmark showed the campaign emblem.

Withdrawal:

The issue was scheduled for withdrawal on 31 December 1990 or when stocks were exhausted. This suggests that an unusually large quantity was produced in order to take the place of the definitive issue for the duration of the year, although this does not appear to have significantly affected printing orders for the 1986 Definitive Issue.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.1.1	432	420	20c. P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.1.2	433	421	50c. P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.1.2a	433a	-	- P.13.2 x 12.9.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.1.3	434	422	\$1. P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.1.4	-	MFDC-152	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.1.5	-	MPP-152	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Early 1990.

Postcard - Postcode Publicity.



(illustration reduced 50%)

A pair of unstamped postcards were issued by the Malaysia Post Office as part of its publicity campaign promoting the use of post codes, introduced 1 October 1985. The issue date of these cards was not recorded, but was said to be early 1990. They may have been issued earlier, at the time of the initial post code launch.

The designs were identical, but one was in English, whilst the other was in Bahasa Malaysia. The front of the card was headlined (in English) "MAIL IT RIGHT / GET IT THERE FASTER" or (in Bahasa) "KIRIMAN LEBIH CEPAT / DENGAN CARA YANG TEPAT", with illustrations of right and wrong envelopes and cartoons of happy and unhappy postmen. In addition to promoting the postcode, it also recommended light coloured envelopes with specific weight and dimension limits. The card measured 148mm by 105mm.

The other side of the card had the left-hand side blank for the message, whilst the right-hand side had a square for the stamp, four lines for an address and an inscription "Maziza-J.P.N. KL." in the bottom right-hand corner. In that inscription, "Maziza" was the name of the printer (Maziza Sdn. Bhd. of Kepong Baru, Kuala Lumpur), whilst "J.P.N. KL" stands for the National Printing Department (Jabatan Percetakan Negara) in Kuala Lumpur, who presumably sub-contracted the order to Maziza.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.2.1	-	-	English.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.2.2	-	-	Bahasa.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12 March 1990.

Wild Flowers (I).



Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng, this issue comprised four counter sheets and four PHQ cards.

Counter sheets:

The four 28mm x 38mm stamps showed wild flowers of Malaysia as follows:

Value	English Name	Malay Name (on stamp)	Latin Name (on stamp)
15c.	Shrubby Simpoh	Simpuh air	<i>Dillenia suffruticosa</i>
20c.	Sensitive Plant	Puteri malu	<i>Mimosa pudica</i>
50c.	Pink Morning Glory	Tapak kuda	<i>Ipomoea carnea</i>
\$1.	White Waterlily	Telepok	<i>Nymphaea pubescens</i>

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The watermark was Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

PHQ cards:

This issue was accompanied by a set of four 107mm x 147mm PHQ postcards, each showing an enlarged version of one of the stamps on an apple green background. They were sold at 25c. each and were designated "Series 4/90".

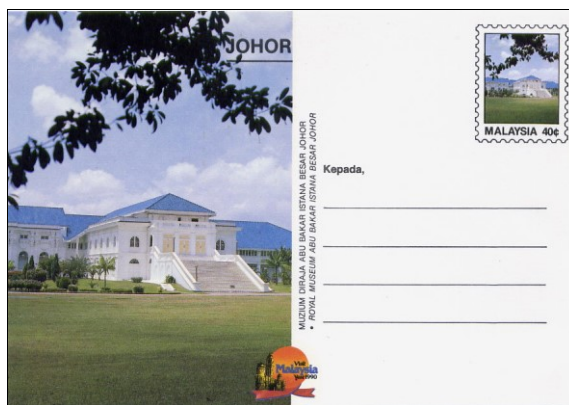
First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured *Rhododendron scortechinii*.
The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured *Melastoma Malabathricum*.
The special first day postmark featured the Telepok.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.3.1	435	423	15c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.2	436	424	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.3	437	425	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.4	438	426	\$1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.5	-	MFDC-153	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.6	-	MPP-153	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.7	-	- ²	PHQ Card (1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.7a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.8	-	-	PHQ Card (2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.8a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.9	-	-	PHQ Card (3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.9a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.10	-	-	PHQ Card (4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.3.10a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 May 1990.

Johore - Postal Stationery Card - Visit Malaysia Year 1990.



(illustration reduced 50%)

It was reported that the original intention was to issue a complete set of postcards for all the States and the Federal Territory simultaneously, as part of the "Visit Malaysia Year 1990" promotion, which emblem this card bears at bottom centre. However, the remaining cards never appeared, only the Johore card being released on 2 May 1990.

Initial release:

This card depicts the Istana Besar (Grand Palace), Jalan Tun Dr Ismail, Johore Bahru. This was built in 1864-1866 by Sultan Abu Bakar and has become the Royal Abu Bakar Museum. It was stamped for the overseas rate of 40c., being sold for 60c. It was in an unusual format with one face blank, except for the POS emblem, inscription and price. On the other face, a view of the exterior of the museum forms both the left-hand side of the card and the design of the "stamp", which, together with lines for the address, occupies the right-hand side. The card measured 150mm x 105mm and was printed by standard four-colour off-set lithography. The "stamp" had a printed "perforation" of approximately 8.5.

First day facilities:

A first day of issue service was provided by the Kuala Lumpur Bureau, the special postmark incorporating the word Poskad.

Withdrawal:

The cards were quickly withdrawn. It was suggested that this was for relaunch with the rest of the set at a later date. There was also speculation that the withdrawal may have been because of some problem with the design, possibly the lack of the Sultan's portrait. The most likely cause was criticism of its matt finish and consequent poor visual quality.

Reissue:

The card reappeared in the Kuala Lumpur Philatelic Bureau in the Autumn of 1991. The reissue date was not recorded. The card as originally issued had a matt finish, but the reissued cards had a laminated gloss finish applied to the left-hand side (picture and inscription) of the front of the card only. This improved the appearance, but gave the card a tendency to curl.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.4.1	-	P6	Original issue (Matt).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.4.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.4.2	-	-	Revised issue (Part glazed).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10 May 1990.

Postal Stationery Envelope - Visit Malaysia Year 1990.



(illustration reduced 50%)

This 20c. envelope appeared as a short-term definitive issue. It was originally reported that the envelope would be issued on 17 May, but it appeared a week earlier,. It would appear that “definitive” postal stationery was ordered on an ad-hoc basis by the Supply Department at Kuala Lumpur and, in consequence, no official new issue was announced.

The envelope measured 161mm x 115mm, had a rounded, triangular flap and bore no indication of maker. The “stamp”, which reproduced the 20c. stamp design, was surrounded by an irregular imitation “perforation” measuring roughly 6½. The printer and printing details were not recorded.

First day facilities:

There was no known official first day facility, but a local dealer prepared first day covers stamped 10 May 1990.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.5.1	-	PE3	Envelope.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14 May 1990.

Kuala Lumpur: Garden City of Lights.



This issue was intended to promote Kuala Lumpur as a tourist venue as part of Visit Malaysia Year 1990.

Designed by CD Advertising Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The stamps all included the Visit Malaysia Year 1990 emblem and showed:

20c.: The Merdeka Square flag pole, buildings (including the Dayabumi Complex) and a rainbow (28mm x 38mm);

40c.: Roof of Masjid Jamek (one of Kuala Lumpur’s oldest mosques, designed by Arthur Bennison Hubback and opened in 1909, used as the state mosque until the present Masjid Negara was opened) and background cityscape by night (38mm x 28mm);

\$1: Kuala Lumpur view with Sultan Abdul Samad Building in centre, skyscrapers, including Dayabumi Complex above to the right, and Merdeka Square to the right (38mm x 28mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10x10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography.

On the 20c. sheets, SPM emblems (x4) were to be found above and below the left- and right-hand columns with pane numbers 1A (x4) to left and right of the top and bottom rows. On the 40c. and \$1 sheets, pane numbers 1A (x4) were to be found above and below the left- and right-hand columns with SPM emblems (x4) to left and right of the top and bottom rows.

The paper was phosphor-coated (creamy white fluorescence, green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was upright on the 20c. and sideways reading up on the 40c. and \$1. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Proof material:

Progressive plate proofs of all values of this issue have come onto the market. These show that the printing sequence was black, cyan, magenta, yellow.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope showed the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and modern buildings, including the Maybank Tower.

The first day cover, printed by Rota Envelopes and sold at 20s., showed KL buildings behind multi-coloured palm trees.

The special first day postmark featured a range of KL buildings.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due for withdrawal on 14 August 1990 or when stocks ran out, if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.6.1	439	427	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.6.2	440	428	40c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.6.3	441	429	\$1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.6.4	-	MFDC-154	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.6.5	-	MPP-154	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 June 1990.

South-South Consultation & Co-operation Group.



The Summit Level Group of Developing Countries for South-South Consultation and Co-operation, also known as the Group of Fifteen (G-15), was established in September 1989 following the Ninth Non-Aligned Summit Meeting in Belgrade. The members were Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, Senegal, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe (Kenya joined later). This issue marked the First Meeting of G-15, held at the Carcosa Seri Negara Building, Kuala Lumpur from 1 to 3 June 1990.

Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng, the two 41mm x 30mm stamps featured:

20c.: "Seri Negara" (originally the Governor's Residence and later King's House, designed by C. E. Spooner and A. B. Hubback, built in 1913 as guest house for the Governor of the Straits Settlements). After independence, it was joined with the adjacent "Carcosa" (the Residency built for Frank Swettenham in 1896-1897 and named by him after a quotation from a play entitled "The King in Yellow") to form a luxury hotel;

80c.: The Summit emblem (80c).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10x10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up, but sideways reading down exists for both values. The comb perforations measured 12.9 x 12.8. The top margin was perforated through on the 20c. Other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the meeting emblem and names of participant countries.

The first day cover, by Rota Envelopes and sold at 20c. featured the meeting emblem and flags of participating nations.

The special first day postmark included the meeting emblem.

Withdrawal:

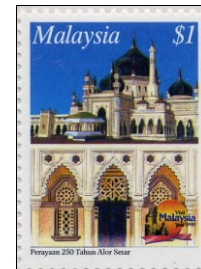
The issue was due for withdrawal on 1 September 1990 or when stocks ran out, if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.7.1	442	430	20c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.7.1a	442w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.7.2	443	431	80c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.7.2a	443w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.7.3	-	MFDC-155	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.7.4	-	MPP-155	Presentation pack (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 June 1990.

250th Anniversary of Alor Star.



The capital of Kedah Darul Aman, Alor Setar, was founded in 1740 as a village at a river junction. The village became the administrative centre of Kedah when the 19th Sultan, Muhammad Jiwa Adilin Muadzam Shah II, moved from the Istana Bukit Pinang to Alor Setar.

Designed by Penerbit Hidayah Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets:

Counter sheets:

These stamps included the Visit Malaysia Year 1990 emblem and showed:

20c.: High level view over the city of Alor Star, showing the Zahir Mosque and the Big Clock Tower to the right (38mm x 28mm):

40c: Nobat musicians and the Balai Nobat (28mm x 38mm). The Nobat is an ancient musical group whose players only convene on royal occasions (Births, deaths and inaugurations). Membership was hereditary from father to son. The Balai Nobat is an 18m high, three storey building, built in 1906, that acts as the depository for the nine royal musical instruments;

\$1: The Zahir Mosque (28mm x 38mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10x10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A(x4) and SPM emblems (x4). The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was upright on 20c. and normally sideways reading down on the 40c. and \$1. The 40c. also exists sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Fountain Square fountain, which is surmounted by the crown of Kedah.

The first day cover, by Rota Envelopes and sold at 20s., featured the roof of an early building.

The special first day postmark showed the Zahir Mosque.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due for withdrawal on 2 September 1990 or when stocks ran out, if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.8.1	444	432	20c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.8.2	445	433	40c. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.8.2a	445w	-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.8.3	446	434	\$1. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.8.4	-	MFDC-156	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.8.5	-	MPP-156	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 July 1990

Selangor - Selpex Postal Stationery Envelope.

See 1986 Definitive Issue Postal Stationery in Chapter 16.

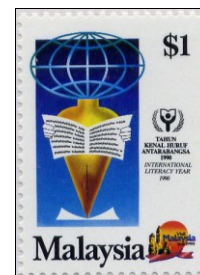
14-28 July 1990

3rd Malaysia Games.

These were held at Siol Kaman, near Semeriang in Sarawak. A temporary post office was set up in the athletes' village with postmark "KAMPUNG SUKAN SUKMA KE3 / date / KUCHING / SARAWAK". It was not known if any official or private commemorative covers were issued.

8 September 1990.

International Literacy Year 1990.



The symbolic designs on this issue marked this UNESCO-sponsored event. Malaysia estimated that it had achieved 72% adult literacy, a significant achievement, but it set a target of 100%. All the stamps bear the International Literacy Year and Visit Malaysia Year emblems.

Designed by Shamail (Syarikat Senika), this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three stamps showed:

20c.: Sign language and its equivalent letters (38mm x 28mm);

40c.: A crowd reading newspapers (38mm x 28mm);

\$1: A globe and pen nib (a symbolic person) reading a newspaper (28mm x 38mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10x10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included a blue square with white cross over circle in perforate left margin on the 20c. value. The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up on the 20c. and 40c., and upright on the \$1. The comb perforations measured 13.2 x 12.9 (normal) or 12.2 on the 20c., 13.2 x 12.9 on the 40c. or 12.2 on the \$1. The left margin was perforated through in the case of the 20c. P.13.2 x 12.9. Bottom margin on 40c. and left margin on \$1 were imperforate. Right margin on 40c. was perforated through. Other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a hand and pencil.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured a pencil.

The special first day postmark comprised a horizontal oval with hands holding an open book.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due to be withdrawn on 8 December 1990 or earlier if stocks were exhausted.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.9.1	447	435	20c. P.13.3 x 12.9. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.1a	447a	-	- P.12.2. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.1b	447bw	-	- - Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.2	448	436	40c. P.13.3 x 12.9. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.3	449	437	\$1. P.12.2. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.4	-	MFDC-157	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.9.5	-	MPP-157	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9 October 1990

Souvenir Postcard - World Post Day.

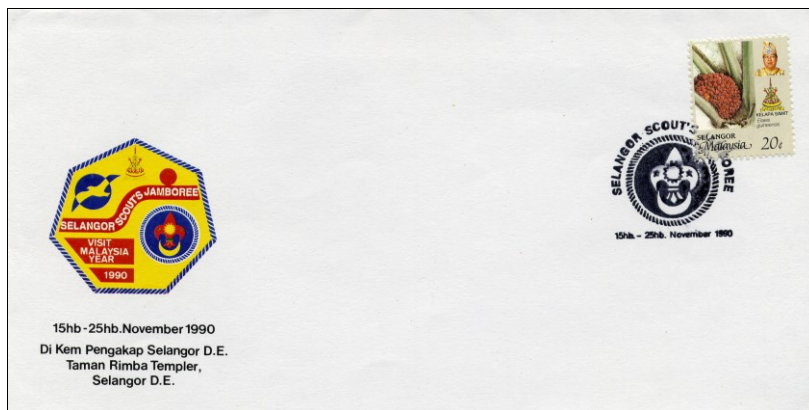
World Post Day was established by the UPU Congress in Tokyo in 1969, marking the anniversary of the founding of the organisation on 9 October 1874. To celebrate this event, the head post offices of each state were thrown open to the public for one day. In Sarawak at least, a special souvenir card was produced for distribution to participants.

This Sarawak card was printed on both sides. One side showed a map of Sarawak with, superimposed, the UPU globe emblem. Also shown was the POS octagonal emblem and text "HARI POS SEDUNIA / 9 OKTOBER 1990" at the top and "JABATAN PERKHIDMATAN POS SARAWAK" at the foot. The other side had spaces to which were affixed 1c. and 2c. 1979 definitive stamps cancelled with special postmark "HARI POS SEDUNIA / (UPU emblem) / 9.10.1990".

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.10.1	-	-	Souvenir Card - Sarawak	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15 November 1990

Unstamped Envelope - Selangor Scouts Jamboree.



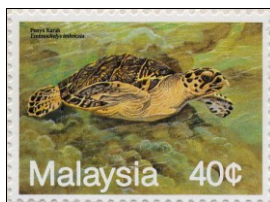
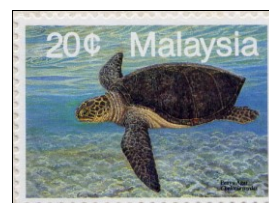
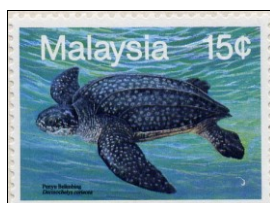
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An unstamped cover was issued by Pos Malaysia for this event, held at Taman Rimba Templer, Selangor from 15-25 November 1990. Sold at 20s., but only at the event, it featured the Jamboree emblem in yellow, red and blue at the left, incorporating the arms of Selangor, a seagull, the Malaysian Boy Scouts Association emblem and a Visit Malaysia Year 1990 slogan. A special postmark dated "15hb.-25hb November 1990" featured the Malaysian Boy Scouts Association emblem was applied to a Selangor 20c. Produce definitive stamp.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.11.1	-	-	Envelope.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17 November 1990.

Marine Life (III) - Turtles.



This issue featured the four native sea turtles and drew attention to their plight as their nesting grounds were rendered unusable. Only three other species of sea turtle exist in the world. Originally announced in January 1990 for issue in November, by July it had been pulled ahead to October before returning to the original timing.

Designed by Ong Soo Keat, this issue comprised four counter sheets and four PHQ cards.

Counter sheets:

The four 38mm x 28mm stamps showed:

Value	English Name	Malay Name (on stamp)	Latin Name (on stamp)
15c.	Leatherback turtle	Penyu Belembing	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
20c.	Common Green turtle	Penyu Agar	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
40c.	Olive Ridley turtle	Penyu Karah	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
\$1.	Hawksbill turtle	Penyu Lipas	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>

The Leatherback turtle is the world's largest turtle, found only in Trengganu. The Green turtle is found on sandy beaches in West Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak. The Olive Ridley is the smallest Malay turtle, also found in small numbers throughout Malaysia. The Hawksbill is the source of tortoise shell jewellery and is found on coral reefs throughout Malaysia, notably in Malacca.

The four designs were converted into a single four-colour imperforate proof sheet by Prestige Colour Scan, the sheet showing guide lines and colour check marks for each printing colour.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate number 1A (x4) for all values above and below the left- and right-hand

columns, with the SPM emblem (x4) to left and right of the top and bottom rows. The paper was phosphor-coated (greenish-white fluorescence, green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up, except the 20c., which was normally sideways reading down but was also found sideways reading up.³ The 15c. and 40c. also exist sideways reading down, whilst the \$1 had been reported with watermark (upright) inverted.⁴ The comb perforations measured 12.2. The bottom margin was imperforate on all values, the other margins being perforated through.

PHQ cards:

This issue was accompanied by a further series of four 152mm x 107mm PHQ cards, one for each value, which showed the stamp enlarged against a blue background and were sold for 25c. each. They were designated "Series 5/90".

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a Leatherback on a beach.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured a selection of turtles.

The special first day postmark included a baby turtle emerging from shell.

Withdrawal:

The scheduled withdrawal date was 17 February 1991, or when stocks were exhausted if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
90.12.1	450	438	15c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.1a	450w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.2	451w	-	20c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.2a	451	439	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.3	452	440	40c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.3a	452w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.4	453	441	\$1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.4a	453a	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.5	-	MFDC-158	First day cover (1,2a,3,4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.6	-	MPP-158	Presentation pack(1,2a,3,4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.7	-	5	PHQ card - Stamp 1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.7a	-		- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.8	-		PHQ card - Stamp 2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.8a	-		- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.9	-		PHQ card - Stamp 3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.9a	-		- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.10	-		PHQ card - Stamp 4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
90.12.10a	-		- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

25 April 1991.

25th Anniversary of MARA.



Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA), the Council of Trust for the Indigenous People, was set up as a result of the First Bumiputera Economic Congress held on 5-7 June 1965 and became a statutory body on 1 March 1966. It was reconstructed from the Rural and Industrial Development Association (RIDA), also known as Lembaga Kemajuan Kampung dan Perusahaan (LKKP), which had been formed in October 1950 to promote the development of rural areas by the provision of infrastructure (roads, bridges, water supply) and "self-help" social training and financial assistance. In its new form as MARA, launched simultaneously with the First Malaysian Plan (1966-1970), it had a wider remit to address socio-economic disparities in society. Today, it has a wide array of academic (up to university), financial and business venture subsidiaries.

Designed by Dye, Auri, C. T. and MARA, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm designs showed:

20c.: "Educational Programme (hard hat, drawing compasses and factory skyline);

40c.: "Investment and Entrepreneurial Programmes" (book, graph, 'mortar board' hat);

\$1: "Education, Entrepreneur, Development, Rural Transport Services and Investment" (businessman, workman, money and gears).

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack, with no printer's emblem, featured an office block.

The first day cover by Rota Envelopes, sold at 20c., featured the design from the \$1 stamp.

The special first day postmark included a composite design incorporating an office block and weaving. Stamps from this issue were known postmarked 4 April 1991 from Tawau. These were the result of the failure of the postmaster to change the month slug in his handstamp at the end of April.

MARA Exhibition:

Subsequent to the issue of stamps, an exhibition was held from 16 to 19 November 1991. A special postmark "PAMERAN 25 TAHUN MARA / 16-19 NOV 1991" surrounding the MARA symbol was applied to postcards issued by MARA, showing the MARA offices under floodlighting at night and bearing the 20c. commemorative stamp.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.1.1	454	442	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.1.2	455	443	40c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.1.3	456	444	\$1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.1.4	-	MFDC-159	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.1.5	-	MPP-159	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 July 1991.

Aerogramme - Visit Malaysia Year 1990 (IV) - Clown Fish.



(illustration reduced 50%)

This aerogramme was sold at 40c. and showed Trengganu coral reef life. The 42mm x 27mm, imperforate "stamp" had a face value of 40c. and showed two *Amphipron ocellaris* (False Clown Anemonefish, Inngu).

Designer and printing information were not recorded. The aerogramme was the same size and format as the 1989 aerogramme. It was printed on unwatermarked white paper with a very pale blue overlay on front and back panels. The paper and stamp gave no ultra-violet reaction. The airmail label and ASEAN emblem were as the 1989 aerogramme. Below was "MALAYSIA" in black above a circular map of South East Asia in grey with Malaysia picked out in white. The map had a leatherback turtle at bottom left. To the right were five lines for the name and address. The back panel contained three lines for the sender's name and address and below a large panel showing the same fishes in a larger coral scene. Above the illustration was "TERENGGANU DARUL IMAN - DESTINASI PENGEMBARAAN YANG MENAKJUBKAN! • FOR A TRULY FASCINATING ADVENTURE!". The bottom panel was blank and there was no printer's inscription.

First day facilities:

The special double-ring first day postmark used at all the philatelic bureaux included the dove from the airmail label.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.2.1	-	AL9	Aerogramme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

29 July 1991.

Insects (I) - Wasps.



Designed by Loh Wen Kong of Image Promotions Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised four counter sheets and a miniature sheet. For a related postcard, see issue 94.25.

Counter sheets:

The four 28mm x 38mm stamps showed:

15c.: *Eustenogaster calyptodoma*;

20c.: *Vespa affinis indonensis*;

50c.: *Sceliphorn javanum*;

\$1: *Ampulex compressa*.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to right and left of rows 1 and 10. The paper was phosphor-coated (white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up on stamps from sheets. The 15c. also exists with upright watermark. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Miniature sheet:

The sheet, sold at \$1.85, reproduces the four stamps in a se-tenant block against a forest background. It measured 130mm x 80mm. It comes in two forms:

Type A: Upright watermark. Greenish fluorescence with yellow-green after-glow. Perforated 12.2. Right-hand vertical perforation does not normally align with remainder of block, indicating a separate perforating operation and resulting in 15c. and 50c. stamps in varying widths.

Type B: Normally watermark sideways reading up (also exists sideways reading down). White fluorescence with yellow-green after-glow. Perforated 14.3.

Miniature sheet B appears to be more common than miniature sheet A among stocks distributed to new issue dealers. Both are known on first day covers. An interesting feature of the sideways watermark miniature sheet was that the perforation was sideways as well! No, this was not a spectacular error, but merely the different way in which the problem of perforating the block of four stamps had been tackled. On sheet A, the block was perforated from the left using two successive strikes of an "E" shaped perforating comb with a single line perforation at the right to close the end of the E. On sheet B, the E combs started at the bottom of the block, punching the bottom and sides of the two rows of stamps, with the single line perforation at the top of the block. Miniature sheet B also appears with large or small perforation holes, but this appears to be a normal effect of the way it was perforated, suggesting use of tapered pins.



Types and design variations.

The 15c. stamps from sheets and from miniature sheets differ as a result of different assembly of the artwork as follows:

Type I: The left-hand feeler of the insect was cut by the edge of the design (from sheets).

Type II: The left-hand feeler of the insect was clear of the edge of the design (from miniature sheet).



Type I



Type II

The combinations of Type, paper, watermark and perforation resulted in no less than five types of the 15c.

Other design differences between stamps from counter sheets and those from miniature sheets, other than the obvious one of paper/watermark were:

20c: None.

50c: The counter sheet stamps had a light blue background with a dark blue patch in the top right corner. The miniature sheet stamps had a darker blue background.

\$1: The counter sheet stamps were again lighter in appearance. The back leg of the wasp was less than 0.5mm from the edge of the design on the miniature sheet stamp, compared with about 0.75mm on the stamps from counter sheets.

First day facilities:

The envelopes of the presentation pack, sold at \$2.50, and the first day cover, sold at 20c., both featured the *Sceliphorn javanum* as shown on the 50c., but reversed.

The special first day postmark included *Eustenogaster calyptodoma* (as on 15c., but reversed). Both Type A and Type B miniature sheets are known on first day cover posted at Kuala Lumpur GPO.

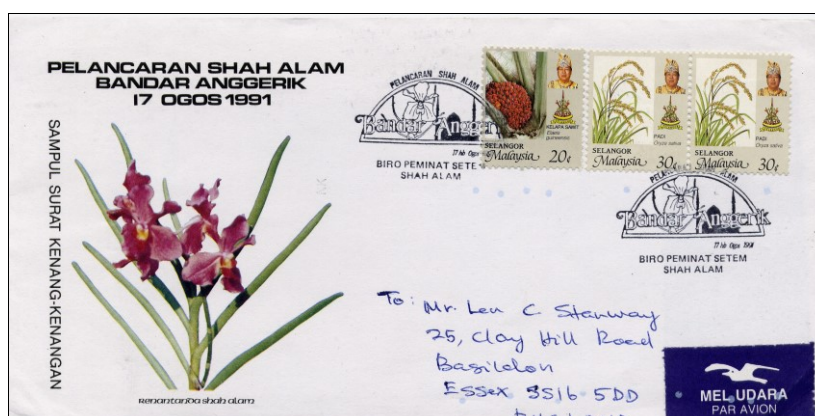
Withdrawal:

The issue was due to be withdrawn on 29 January 1992.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.3.1	457	445	15c. I. Wmk. SU. P.12.2. From sheets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.1a	457a	-	- I. Wmk. U. P.12.2. From sheets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.1b	-	-	- II. Wmk. U. P.12.2. From M/S A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.1c	-	-	- II. Wmk. SU. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.1d	-	-	- II. Wmk. SD. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.2	458	446	20c. Wmk. SU. P.12.2. From sheets & M/S A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.2a	-	-	- Wmk. SU. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.2b	-	-	- Wmk. SD. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.3	459	447	50c. Wmk. SU. P.12.2. From sheets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.3a	-	-	- Wmk. U. P.12.2. From M/S A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.3b	-	-	- Wmk. SU. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.3c	-	-	- Wmk. SD. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.4	460	448	\$1. Wmk. SU. P.12.2. From sheets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.4a	-	-	- Wmk. U. P.12.2. From M/S A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.4b	-	-	- Wmk. SU. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.4c	-	-	- Wmk. SD. P.14.3. From M/S B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.5	MS461b	MC-160Ma	Miniature sheet A (1b, 2, 3a,4a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.5a	MS461	MC-160M	- B (1c, 2a, 3b, 4b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.5b	MS461aw	-	- B (1d, 2b, 3c, 4c).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.6	-	MFDC-160	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.6a	-	MFDC-160M	- (5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.6b	-	-	- (5a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.3.7	-	MPP-160	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17 August 1991.

Unstamped envelope - Selangor - Shah Alam, Orchid City.



(illustration reduced 50%)

The title “Orchid City” (Bandar Anggerik) was awarded to Shah Alam by the Sultan of Selangor at a ceremony on 17 August at the Shah Alam Council Mosque (Masjid Perbandaran Shah Alam). Although no stamps were issued, a special unstamped cover was issued by the Post Office at 20s. to mark the official naming ceremony. This showed a spray of the specially bred pink “*Renantanda Shah Alam*” orchid, which is a hybrid of *Vanda Penang* with *Renanthere Kalsom*. A special postmark inscribed “PELANCARAN SHAH ALAM/Bandar Anggerik/17hb Ogos 1991/BIRO PEMINAT SETEM/SHAH ALAM” was used at the Philatelic Counter in the town. Behind “Bandar Anggerik” on the postmark was a double-lined semi-circle containing an orchid and a silhouette of the Mosque.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.4.1	-	-	Cover.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.4.1a			- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

30 August 1991.**Former Prime Ministers.**

Designed by Design Dimension Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three similar 48mm x 30mm \$1 designs showed former prime Ministers of Malaya/Malaysia against different colour backgrounds:

\$1(A): (Blue) Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al Haj and an Independence rally;

\$1(B): (Green) Tun Abdul Razak bin Dato' Hussein and a kampong (village);

\$1(C): (Red) Tun Hussein bin Dato' Onn and standard-bearers with flags of Malaysia.

Each design was printed in sheets of 50 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A (x4) above and below the first and last columns and SPM emblems (x4) to left and right of top and bottom rows. The phosphor-coated paper gave a white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but inverted watermarks exist on at least two values. ⁶ The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Prime Ministers plus the Malaysian flag.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the Prime Ministers.

The special first day postmark was based on the cover design.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due to be withdrawn on 29 February 1992.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.5.1	462	450	\$1(A). Blue. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.1a	462w	-	- Wmk. I. ³	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.2	463	451	\$1(B). Green. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.2a	463w	-	- Wmk. I. ³	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.3	464	452	\$1(C). Red. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.4	-	MFDC-161	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.5.3	-	MPP-161	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9 October 1991.**Postcard - World Post Day 1991.**

To mark World Post Day, the Postal Services Department issued an unstamped postcard showing a young lady reclining on a couch reading a letter. It bore the slogan “SURAT - Menjadi kenangan abadi... tidak seperti kata-kata diucapkan” (Letters become everlasting remembrances... unlike spoken messages). The other side included the text “HAKCIPTA TERPELIHARA: JABATAN PERKHIDMATAN POS MALAYSIA” (Copyright protection: Postal Services Department, Malaysia).

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
91.6.1	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18 - 27 October 1991.

Remaja '91 Youth Philatelic Exhibition.



(illustration reduced 50%)

The Malaysian National Youth Philatelic Exhibition 1991 (Pameran Filateli Remaja Malaysia or Filaremaja'91) took place from 18 to 27 October 1991 in Kuala Lumpur. The Post Office produced an un-stamped souvenir cover, 200mm x 110mm, bearing the event emblem for sale at 30c.

First day facilities:

The exhibition postmarks for each day varied considerably, but each incorporated PAMERAN FILATELI REMAJA, the day name and date (e.g. HARI SENI • 27 OKTOBER 1991). The marks were as follows:

18 October	Official Opening.	(Hari [Porasmian?])	Abstract design.
19 October	Post Office Day.	(Hari Pos)	POS emblem.
20 October	Italy Day.	(Hari Itali)	PT emblem.
21 October	Thematic Day.	(Hari Tematik)	Hibiscus flowers.
22 October	Philatelists' Day.	(Hari Peminat Setem)	Stamp.
23 October	Youth Day.	(Hari Remaja)	Child.
24 October	Kuala Lumpur Day.	(Hari Kuala Lumpur)	Dome.
25 October	Maybank Day.	(Hari Maybank)	Tiger emblem of Malayan Banking Bhd.
26 October	Philatelic Society of Malaysia Day.	(Hari PSM)	PSM emblem.
27 October	Arts Day.	(Hari Seni)	Abstract design.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
91.7.1	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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24Oct 25Oct 26Oct 27Oct #

25 October 1991

Tyvek Registration Envelope.

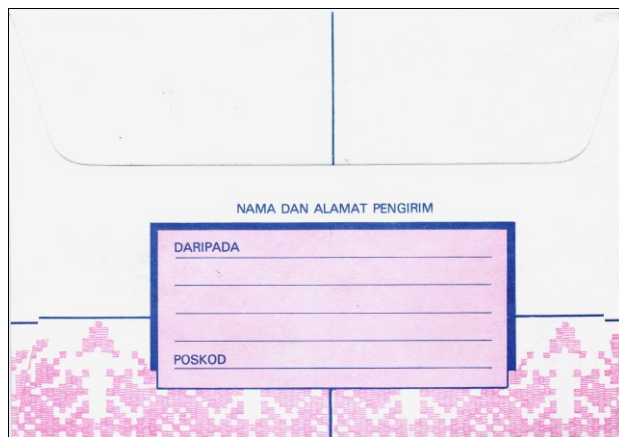
On 25 October 1991, the Malaysian Post Office introduced, without advance notification, a new lightweight registration envelope made from TYVEK, a lightweight plastic (spun-bonded olefin) cloth made by DuPont. This was an extremely strong material, ideal for the application. There was no printer's imprint. It was printed by off-set lithography in blue and pink. Sold at \$2 (30c. (10g) postage, \$1 registration and 70c. for the envelope), it bore a pink songket (woven) motif across the lower part of the front and back and a matching new circular postage and registration fee paid impression in blue at the top right of the front. The C6-size envelope measured 136mm x 115mm. There was a rounded rectangular flap at the back and prominent address boxes at front and back.



Variety:

The envelope has been noted in widely varying shades of both colours. The following variety exists:

No.	Variety
v1	Blue printing omitted.



(illustrations reduced 50%)

First day facilities:

A small number of envelopes received the special “Hari Maybank” day cachet incorporating a tiger’s head used at FILAREMAJA 91 together with the “KUALA LUMPUR / 25OKT91” / K1 cds.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
91.8.1	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 November 1991.

Historical buildings (II).



Designed by Azmi bin Kassim, this issue showing historic palaces comprised four counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The four 45mm x 28mm designs showed:

15c.: The Istana Maziah, Trengganu (built 1894-1903);

20c.: The Istana Besar, Johore (see 1990 issue for further information);

40c.: The Istana Bandar (Town Palace), Kuala Langat, Selangor (built 1905 by Sultan Alauddin Sulaiman Shah ibni Almarhun Raja Muda Musa);

\$1: The Istana Jahar, Kelantan (built 1887 by Sultan Muhammad II (Long Senik)).

They were printed in sheets of 50 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The phosphor-coated paper gave white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The Multiple SPM watermark was upright, but the 20c. was reported with inverted watermark. ¹ The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The envelope of the presentation pack, sold at \$2.50, and the first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the buildings.

The special first day postmark included a roof corner detail.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due to be withdrawn on 7 May 1992.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
91.9.1	465	453	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.9.2	466	454	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.9.2a	466w	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.9.3	467	455	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.9.4	468	456	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.9.5	-	MFDC-162	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.9.6	-	MPP-162	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 November 1991.**Souvenir Cover - PhilaNippon 1991**

The PhilaNippon'91 World Stamp Exhibition took place in Tokyo from 16 to 24 November 1991. A souvenir cover was sold at 40c. The DL size cover had chalk-surfaced paper and showed a hibiscus flower and the PhilaNippon emblem.

First day facility:

The cover was sold at 80c serviced at Tokyo with a 40c. definitive stamp (the second-class airmail rate Malaysia-Japan) and special postmark incorporating the PhilaNippon emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.10.1	-	-	Souvenir cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16-19 November 1991.**25th Anniversary of MARA Exhibition.**

See 25 April 1991.

21 December 1991.**Sarawak Museum.**

This issue marked the Centenary of the Sarawak Museum, which was founded in 1836 and was the first museum on the island of Borneo. The present, purpose-built, building was completed in 1888, but not opened by Rajah Charles Brooke until 4 August 1891, displaying ethnographic collections and local animals. By 1991, the building had been extended to give an exhibition area of 1214 square metres.

Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng of De Art Forms Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets:

Counter sheets:

The two 38mm x 28mm stamps showed:

30c.: The building in 1891 and a boat-shaped artefact, possibly a lamp;

\$1: The building in 1991 and a bottle.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but inverted watermarks exist on the 30c. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured various museum artefacts.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured various other museum artefacts.

The special first day postmark included a ceremonial bird design. The "normal" Bureau postmark was that for Kuching, instead of Kuala Lumpur.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 21 March 1992 unless stocks were exhausted earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
91.11.1	469	457	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.11.1a	469w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.11.2	470	458	\$1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.11.3	-	MFDC-163	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
91.11.4	-	MPP-163	Presentation pack (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 January 1992.

Launch of Pos Malaysia Berhad.



The decision was taken on 14 April 1987 to privatise the Postal Services Department following successful privatisations in New Zealand and the Netherlands. Eventually, as an initial stage from 1 January 1992, the Malaysian Postal Services Department was “corporatised” as a government-owned corporation under a Board of Directors appointed by the Government. It was now known as “Pos Malaysia Berhad” (Pos Malaysia for short). Full privatisation and a public stock exchange listing were considered possible options for the future.

This issue was only publicly announced on 30 December and, even then, the only details available were a set price of \$1.50. As a postage rate rise to 30c. was rumoured, speculation that the issue would be five 30c. stamps se-tenant proved correct. This short notice did not auger well for philatelic matters under the new organisation, borne out by later frequent changes of programme and unannounced releases.

Designed by Ismail & Associates Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheet:

The five 28mm x 45mm stamps form a se-tenant strip, each value appearing in successive columns in the sheet. The stamps showed:

30c.(A): A Postman on a bicycle in a village;

30c.(B): A Postman on a motor cycle in a town;

30c.(C): A Postman in a short wheelbase van in a city;

30c.(D): A Postman in an Isuzu long wheelbase van in an industrial area - this van was sold by General Motors in Europe as the Bedford Midi or Isuzu Midi;

30c.(E): A Malaysian Airlines Boeing 747 jet airliner and a globe showing South East Asia.

They were printed in sheets of 50 (5 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using four-colour off-set lithography (cyan, magenta, yellow, black). Sheet markings comprise the normal SPM logos (x4) to left and right of the top and bottom rows and plate numbers 1A (x4) above and below the left and right columns. The paper was phosphor-coated, giving blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up, but exists sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2, the bottom selvedge not being perforated through.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the new Pos Malaysia bird emblem.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured a transition from the old to the new emblems.

The special first day postmark included the new emblem in a double ring oval. Normally in black, this exists struck in purple at Kuala Lumpur International Airport, Subang.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 1 January 1993.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.1.1	471	459	30c.(A). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.1a	471w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.2	472	460	30c.(B). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.2a	472w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.3	473	461	30c.(C). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.3a	473w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.4	474	462	30c.(D). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.4a	474w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.5	475	463	30c.(E). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.5a	475w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.6	471a	MC-164	Se-tenant strip (1-5)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.6a	471bw	-	-(1a-5a)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.7	-	MFDC-164	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.1.8	-	MPP-164	Presentation pack (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

23 March 1992.

Malaysian Tropical Forest.



61% of Malaysia's land area was still covered by tropical rain forest in 1992 and they were valued not only for logging but for pharmaceutical products and for ecological reasons. This issue was originally proposed for December 1991.

Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng of De Art Forms Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets. (For a related postcard, see issue 93.15).

Counter sheets:

The 38mm x 28mm designs showed a detailed line drawing of a forest tree and a photograph of an appropriate type of forest on a white background:

25c.: Jelutong (*Dyera costulata*) and Hill Dipterocarp Forest;

50c.: Bakau Minyak (*Rhizophora apiculata*) and Mangrove Swamp Forest;

\$1: Chengal (*Neobalanocarpus hemii*) and Lowland Dipterocarp Forest.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up. All values also exist sideways reading down, but the 20c. was only found as mint examples in the 1992 Yearbook, while the \$1 was only known from a CTO example in a dealer's new issue mailing. In both cases, a single sheet could easily have been fully utilised for the purpose described - Whether other sheets existed was not known. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. Its envelope featured trees.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., also featured trees.

The special first day postmark included a line of trees of varying heights in a circle.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 23 September 1992 unless stocks were exhausted earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.2.1	476	464	20c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.1a	476w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.2	477	465	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.2a	477w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.3	478	466	\$1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.3a	478w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.4	-	MFDC-165	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.4a	-	-	- (1, 2a, 3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.2.5	-	MPP-165	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18 April 1992.

Negri Sembilan - Silver Jubilee of the Yang Di-Pertuan Besar.



Tuanku Ja'afar became the tenth Yang Di-Pertuan Besar of Negeri Sembilan in 1967 (see Chapter 2 in Volume 1).

Designed by Tiara C.D.P. Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 38mm x 28mm designs showed:

30c.: Tuanku Ja'afar, crest and coat of arms of Negri Sembilan;

\$1: The Dewan Undangan Negri Sembilan (Law House) with inset half-length, full-face portrait of Tuanku Ja'afar.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM

watermark was normally sideways reading up, but both values are also known to exist sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Variety:

It was reported that there were two versions of the roof on the \$1 value, one matt and one gloss. ³ This may have been the result of differences in ink thickness.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the crest of Negri Sembilan.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the portrait of Tuanku Ja'afar from the 30c. stamp.

The special first day postmark included the crest of Negri Sembilan. The "normal" Bureau postmark for this issue was Seremban, not Kuala Lumpur.

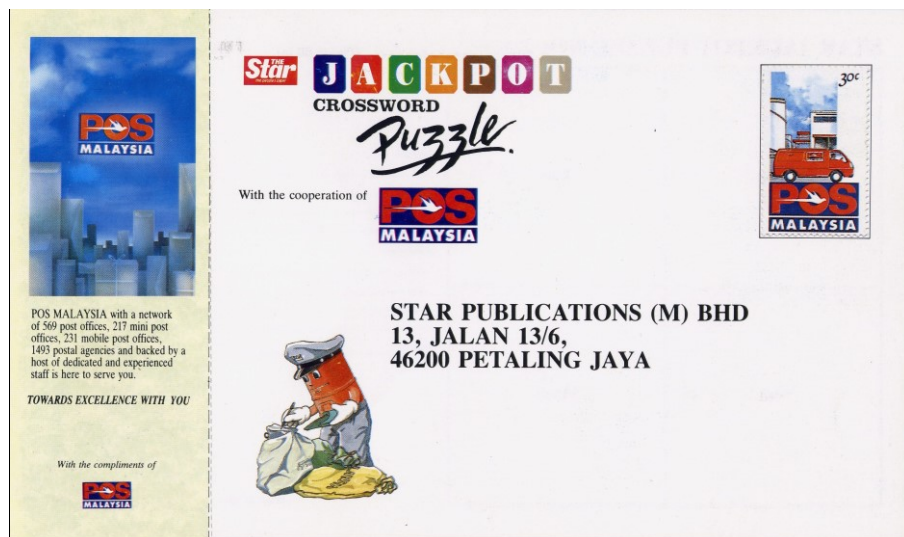
Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 18 July 1992 or when stocks were exhausted, if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.3.1	479	122	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.3.1a	479w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.3.2	480	123	\$1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.3.2a	480w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.3.3	-	MFDC-NS15	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.3.4	-	MPP-NS15	Presentation pack (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

May 1992.

Postcards - Star Crossword (I).



Front (below) and back (left) of card (illustrations reduced 50%)

STAR JACKPOT PUZZLE NO: (Please fill in)

Mon	Tues
Wed	Thurs

Name:

Age: I/C:

Address:

Tel:

FOR ALL YOUR POSTAL NEEDS
CONTACT YOUR NEAREST
REGIONAL MANAGER

KEDAH/PERLIS : 04-72260722607
 PENANG : 04-6192221155518973
 PERAK : 05-54655547555548555
 WILAYAH
 PENINSULATAN : 03-2741122
 SELANGOR : 03-5980613598552598557
 N. SEMBILAN : 06-78655731555
 MALACCA : 06-2338432384423845
 JOHORE : 07-23382823829
 PAHANG : 09-52107821082
 KELANTAN : 09-784941784933784143
 TERENGGANU : 09-627555632555
 SARAH : 086-210855210857210859
 SARAWAK : 082-242952

Price: 35 sen

Pos Malaysia issued five different large, landscape-format, postal stationery cards (known as "customised cards") during May 1992 in conjunction with The Star, a local newspaper, for returning entries collected over four consecutive days

(Monday to Thursday) in its Jackpot Crossword Puzzle Competition. The cards were sold through post offices for 35c. each including postage.

The cards were printed using standard four-colour off-set lithography on low grade card, which was glossy on the address side only, probably to aid writing and to ensure that entries stuck to them will still be there on arrival at the newspaper!

The design incorporated a 30c. Pos Malaysia Launch design D imprinted "stamp". It would appear that the stamp was torn from a sheet and stuck in a box ruled onto the original artwork, then photographed for printing. The same stamp was used on all the cards. The postal rate at this time was still 20c., so the cards would appear to be over-stamped, but this may be to take account of the extra weight of the entry forms which were to be attached or simply because they were printed in anticipation of the planned rise in postage rates.

The five cards showed a cartoon "pillar box man" in Pos uniform on both the bottom left of the address side of the card and on the bookmark. The cards were rouletted through at a distance of 50-54mm from the left margin to allow the user to tear off and retain a strip for use as an informative bookmark. The information on the bookmarks and the sizes of the cards (which probably varies widely within a card type - the measurements quoted were from my examples) were as shown below:

Type	Cartoon	Bookmark	Size
A.	Filling out sack label.	Telephone nos. of Regional Managers.	237x139-140
B.	Carrying a sack.	Available services.	239x143
C.	Holding a handstamp.	Telephone nos. of POSLAJU centres.	239x139
D.	Holding a handstamp.	Wild flower stamps.	238x139
E.	Riding moped.	Marine Life (II) stamps.	241x139

Varieties:

Misprints were reported to be "quite plentiful". For example, the first card in the above list exists with the magenta and black printing on the address side only displaced 1.5mm above the cyan and yellow.

Issue:

The exact issue date was not recorded. The five cards were produced in separate batches and not all post offices received all the cards. Complete sets were therefore hard to come by.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.4.1	-	-	Card Type A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.4.2	-	-	Card Type B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.4.3	-	-	Card Type C.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.4.4	-	-	Card Type D.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.4.5	-	-	Card Type E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 July 1992.

Aerogramme & Postcard - 5th Asian International Stamp Exhibition (KL'92).

The 5th Asian International Stamp Exhibition took place in Kuala Lumpur from 1 to 7 September 1992, to mark the 125th Anniversary of the first Malay stamp issue, the 1867 Straits Settlements "Crown Colony" issue. The East India Company stamps used in Malaya obviously did not count!

By an uncredited designer, this advance publicity issue comprised one aerogramme and a postcard, plus the booklets described in Section 4.3 of Chapter 16. Another postcard and a set of stamps followed later.

Aerogramme:



(illustration reduced 50%)

This aerogramme was sold at 50c. The 43mm x 35mm 50c. "stamp" showed a view of Kuala Lumpur from a high vantage point with the Sultan Abdul Samad building in the foreground and the Dayabumi Complex at the right. The "stamp" had no simulated perforations.

Printing details were not recorded. The aerogramme was in Format B, measuring 212mm x 320mm unfolded, 179mm x 107mm folded and showed:

- Upper (front) panel: Light blue, with ASEAN and KL'92 emblems and the "stamp". Rounded sealing tabs at top and sides.
- Middle (back) panel: Light blue, with a larger version of the photograph used as the basis for the "stamp".
- Lower panel & back: Blank.

It was printed on unwatermarked white paper, which gave a blue fluorescent reaction and no after-glow under ultra-violet light.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included the Pos Malaysia dove emblem. Separate marks were used for the aerogramme and postcard.

Postcards:



(illustrations reduced 50%)

The first of two 148mm x 105mm postcards for this event was sold at 30c. and showed:

Front: Divided. Left third: Exhibition title and emblem. Right two thirds: Grey-bordered "stamp" sub-divided into three with view of Sultan Abdul Samad Building at top, rebana (drum) and moon kite at lower left and view of park land at lower right.

Back: Divided, with exhibition title at top left, "stamp" at top right and five lines for address.

The 21mm x 36mm 20c. "stamp" showed the clock tower of the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and KL'92 emblem. The "stamp" had simulated perforation, measuring 8.

Designer and printing details were not recorded. It was printed on white card which gave low fluorescent reaction under ultra-violet light and no after-glow. There was no watermark.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included "POSKAD".

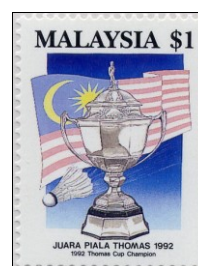
Publicity label:

A triangular, self-adhesive publicity label was also issued. It was an equilateral triangle (28mm sides) with a dark blue border containing a white triangular "stamp" containing the KL'92 emblem. It is believed that this was issued by the event organisers, not Pos Malaysia.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.5.1	-	AL10	Aerogramme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.5.1a	-	-	- First day postmark	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.5.2	-	P7	Postcard.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.5.2a	-	-	- First day postmark	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

25 July 1992.

1992 Thomas Cup Champions.



A set was produced in just two months to celebrate Malaysia's first victory in the International Badminton Championship Challenge Trophy competition for 25 years. Known as the "Thomas Cup", the 78cm high, silver gilt trophy was presented to the International Badminton Federation in 1939 by its first President, Sir George Alan Thomas, Bart, an outstanding player in his own right. It was not competed for until after the Second World War, when Malaya won the first competition in 1949. Malaya then won in 1952 and 1955 and Malaysia in 1967. The finals of the 1992 competition were held on 16 May at the Stadium Negara, Kuala Lumpur. Malaysia beat Indonesia 3-2 in the world team championship final. Since 1957, there has been a separate lady's competition, the "Uber Cup". The competitions have been held every two years.

Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng of De Art Forms Sdn. Bhd., the issue comprised two counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 28mm x 38mm \$1 stamps, from separate sheets, showed:

\$1(A): Three Badminton players;

\$1(B): The Thomas Cup, a shuttlecock and the Malaysian flag.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and colour dots (x4) to left and right of R1 and R10. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright on the stamps, although one stamp was reported inverted. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Miniature sheet:

The 105mm x 80mm sheet included a 75mm x 28mm \$2 stamp showing the winning team in the Stadium Negara holding the cup. The members of the team were: Rashid Hj. Sidek, Razif Hj. Sidek, Jalani Hj. Sidek, Foo Kok Keong, Cheah Soon Kit, Soh Beng Kiang, Kwan Yoke Meng, Rahman Hj. Sidek, and Wong Ewee Mun.

As may be expected with such a rushed issue, printing quality on the miniature sheets was very inconsistent. Variation in relative colour intensity between the colours leads to quite major variation in appearance from one sheet to another.

Two papers were used. Paper A is the same (Harrison?) PVA Dextrin gum paper, as used for the counter sheets, which gave a blue-white fluorescence under ultra-violet light. Paper B was a (Tullis Russell?) paper with a white gum, that gave a greenish-white fluorescence; the back of the latter paper fluoresces much more than the normal paper. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading down, but exists sideways reading up on paper B. The perforations measured 12.2, with some variation in positioning.



First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Thomas Cup.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the Cup and the Malaysian flag.

The special first day postmark included the Thomas Cup.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due for withdrawal on 25 January 1993 or earlier if stocks were exhausted.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.6.1	481	468	\$1(A). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.1a	481w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.2	482	467	\$1(B). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.3	MS483	MC-166M	\$2 Miniature sheet. Paper A. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.3a	-	-	- Paper B. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.3b	MS483w	-	- - Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.4	-	MFDC-166	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.4a		MFDC-166M	- (3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.6.5		MPP-166	Presentation pack (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8 August 1992.

25th Anniversary of ASEAN.



The Silver Jubilee of ASEAN was celebrated on the day of issue.

Designed by Image Promotions Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm stamps all had a background of the ASEAN emblem and featured:

30c.: Six girls in national costumes of the member states;

50c.: National flowers of the member states. Malaysia was represented by the Hibiscus and Singapore by the Vanda Miss Joaquim, Indonesia by Angrek bulan (*Phalaenopsis amabilis*), Philippines by Sampaguita (*Jasminum sambac*), Thailand by Ratchaphruek (*Cassia fistula*), and Brunei by Simpör (*Dillenia suffruticosa*);

\$1: National buildings of the member states. Malaysia was represented by the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and Singapore by the Merlion fountain.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) at left and right of the top and bottom margins, the SPM emblem (x4) at the top and bottom of the left and right margins. The phosphor-coated paper gave a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up. The \$1 also exists sideways reading down and the 30c. with watermark inverted. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The left margin was perforated through and the bottom margin imperforate. Other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the ASEAN emblem.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured elements of the three stamp designs.

The special first day postmark included the ASEAN emblem and an inverted triangle.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.7.1	484	470	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.1a	484a	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.2	485	471	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.3	486	472	\$1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.3a	486w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.4	-	MFDC-167	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.7.5	-	MPP-167	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 August 1992.

Postcard - 5th Asian International Stamp Exhibition (KL'92).



(illustration reduced 50%)

This additional advance publicity issue comprised one more pre-stamped postcard.

This postcard, similar to that issued on 1 July 1992, was issued on 24 August 1992, but had originally been announced for issue a week earlier. It had the same back as the previous card, but the front showed a flag-shaped picture of the venue, Kuala Lumpur City Hall and the Dayabumi Complex, plus the KL'92 emblem.

Official overprint:

The Philatelic Bureau issued a bulletin to all Deposit Account holders in the form of an overprint on this version of the card. This overprint publicised three items, namely the new Sarawak 1986 Definitive Issue stamps, the World Corporate Games cover and the 1992 Annual Album. These overprinted versions were posted on 20 August 1993, four days before the issue became available to the public.

First day facility:

There was no first day of issue facility for this card.

Withdrawal:

The postcard was still on sale in Penang as late as 3 September 1994.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.8.1	-	P8	Stamped Card 2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.8.1a	-	-	- Officially overprint.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 September 1992.

**125th Anniversary of Malaysian Stamps.
5th Asian International Stamp Exhibition (KL'92).**



This issue marked the 125th anniversary of the issue of the Straits Settlements Crown Colony overprints on the stamps of East India Company in 1867. The previous thirteen years' use of East India Company stamps was conveniently forgotten.

Designed by Mega Dot Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets, both with se-tenant stamps and a miniature sheet, plus booklets for each state.

Counter sheets:

The two horizontal se-tenant pairs of 38mm x 28mm stamps featured stamps of the Straits Settlement and modern counterparts. These were:

30c.(A): Straits Settlements 1½c on ½A of 1867 and Federation Independence stamp of 1957;

30c.(B): Straits Settlements 2c on 1A of 1867 and Malaysia Independence 12c stamp of 1963;

50c.(A): Straits Settlements 4c of 1867 and Kuala Lumpur 40c. stamp of 1990;

50c.(B): Straits Settlements 12c of 1867 and KL'92 \$2 stamp of 1992 (see miniature sheet below).

As one of the sheet stamps uses as part of its design the \$2 stamp from the miniature sheet, could this be the first case of a "stamp on stamp" occurring within the same issue?

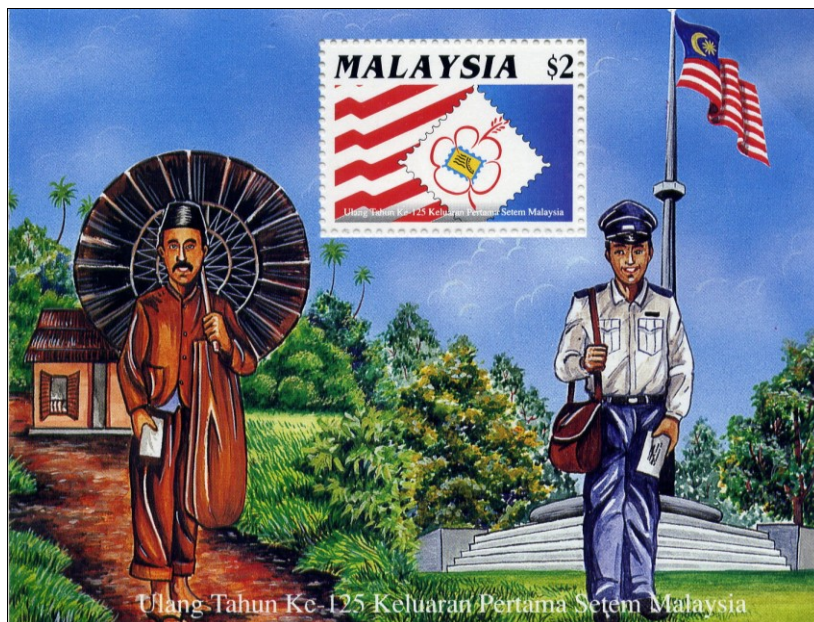
They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The sheet markings were arranged sideways relative to the stamps (top to left of sheet). 1A (x4) appeared to left and right of the R1 and R10 with SPM emblems (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up. The 50c. exists with watermark (upright) inverted. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Miniature sheet:

The 119mm x 92mm sheet was sold at \$2, showing an early postman with an umbrella and kampong house alongside a modern postman with the Merdeka Square flagpole, Kuala Lumpur. The 38mm x 28mm \$2 stamp showed the KL'92 emblem on a background representing the Malaysian flag. The paper was as used for the counter sheets, with watermark sideways reading up or down. The perforation measured either 12.2 or 13.0 x 13.4.

Varieties:

The miniature sheet is known with an additional single line of perforations level with the postman's belt in error. ⁷

**Booklets**

A series of 1986 Definitive Issue stamp booklets were issued with commemorative covers. For further information, see Section 4.3 of Chapter 16.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a Hibiscus flower and butterfly with a view of the Sultan Abdul Samad Building, Kuala Lumpur City Hall and Dayabumi Complex with moon kites viewed through a window. The presentation pack is known serviced with a miniature sheet and first day postmark.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured a magnifying glass and map of Asia indicating the position of Kuala Lumpur.

The special first day postmark included the KL'92 emblem.

A souvenir cover, sold at 30c. mint for use at the exhibition, featured the event emblem in a circle.

Special postmarks were prepared for each day of the exhibition (details for 1 and 3-5 September were not available at time of going to press):

Date	Title	Subject
1 September 1992		
2 September 1992	Hari Peminat Setem (Stamp Collectors' Day).	30c. stamp of the design used for the stamp in the miniature sheet, held in tweezers
3 September 1992		
4 September 1992		
5 September 1992		
6 September 1992	Hari Pos Malaysia.	Pos Malaysia emblem.
7 September 1992	Hari F.I.A.P.	FIAP emblem on stamp.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 1 December 1992 or earlier if stocks exhausted.

Unstamped Postcard:

There was also an unstamped publicity postcard for the event, issued privately by the exhibition organising committee "c/o Pos Malaysia". The design was roughly one and a half presentations of the exhibition emblem. The card was distributed free.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.9.1	487	473	30c.(A). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.2	488	474	- (B). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.3	487a	-	- Se-tenant pair. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.4	489	475	50c.(A). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.4a	489b	-	-- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.5	490	476	50c.(B). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.5a	490b	-	-- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.6	489a	-	- Se-tenant pair. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.6a	489ba	-	-- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.7	MS491bw	MC-168M	\$2 miniature sheet. Wmk. SU. P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.7a	MS491b	-	- Wmk. SD. P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.7b	MS491aw	-	- Wmk. SU. P.13.0 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.9.7c	MS491	-	- Wmk. SD. P.13.0 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.8	-	MFDC-168	First day cover (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.8a	-	-	- (3, 6a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.9	-	MFDC-168M	- (7).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.9a	-	-	- (7b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.9b	-	-	- (7c).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.9.10	-	MPP-168	Presentation pack (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

28 September 1992.**Opening of New GPO Malacca.**

A special pictorial postmark showing the front of the building marked the opening of the new GPO Building in Malacca. It read "PERASMIAN PEJABAT POS BESAR MELAKA / BIRO / PEMINAT SETEM / MELAKA / 28.9.1992".

1-30 November 1992.**Pesta Pulau Pinang 1992.**

Privately-produced covers were handstamped with the emblem of the Penang Fair, held from 1-30 November 1992. An example seen bore circular date stamp "PULAU PINANG / 26NOV92 / K17".

Unissued [14 November 1992]**Envelope - Sabah Scout Jamboree.**

The 8th Malaysian Scout Jamboree was held at Tambunan, Sabah from 14 to 21 November 1992 to commemorate 80 Years of Scouting in Malaysia. Unstamped commemorative envelopes were to have been issued by Pos Malaysia, but the issue was not officially announced and it was now understood that the envelope was cancelled, although the event went ahead.

16 November 1992**Perak - Souvenir Cover - Batu Gajah Centenary.**

(illustration reduced 50%)

The centenary of the founding of the Perak town of Batu Gajah was marked by a souvenir cover (219mm x 110mm), sold at 25c. unstamped. It showed the front of a Dutch-style building with a date stone "1892" in black in a purple oval with a floral design in white. A descriptive text appears on the back in Bahasa Malaysia.

It was sold by the Bureau at \$1.50 serviced with 30c. Perak Produce definitive stamp and a postmark "100 TAHUN / 1892-1992 / PEJABAT POS / BATU GAJAH, PERAK. / 16-11-92 / BATU GAJAH".

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.10.1	-	-	Cover	<input type="checkbox"/> #	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.10.1a	-	-	- Special postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/> #

21-22 November 1992.**7th Sarawak Stamp & Coin Exhibition.**

Private covers were produced by The Sarawak Philatelic & Numismatic Society to mark its 7th Stamp & Coin Exhibition, held in Sibu from 21-22 November 1992. The example seen bore circular date stamp "SIBU / 21.11.1992 / P9 / SARAWAK" and a society commemorative cachet.

21 December 1992.

Marine Life IV - Corals.



Designed by Greenmild Advertising Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant strips and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The se-tenant horizontal strip of five 28mm x 32mm stamps form a panorama representing a flat stretch of sea bed.

The corals featured were:

- 30s.(A): Elkhorn Coral (*Acropora palmata*);
- 30s.(B): Alcyonian Soft Coral (*Dendronephthya sp.*);
- 30s.(C): Daisy Coral (*Dendrophyllia sp.*);
- 30s.(D): Dead Men's Fingers (*Simularia*);
- 30s.(E): Red Malaysian Sea Fan (*Melithaea*).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10, SPM emblem (x4) to left and right of rows 1 and 10. The paper was phosphor-coated giving a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but inverted watermark exists. The comb perforations measured 11.9, the perforator moving from left to right. Sheet margins were perforated through except at left.

Variety:

Perforation irregularities are known, resulting in slightly wider stamps.

Miniature sheet:

The 100mm x 70mm miniature sheet, sold at \$2, showed Gorgonian (*Subergorgia*) coral. The central part of the design was perforated to form a \$2 38mm x 28mm stamp. The watermark and paper were as for the sheet stamps. The sheet exists with all four possible watermark orientations, but upright was most common and sideways reading up scarcest. It was perforated 12.2. The sheet was known with blue moved diagonally 0.5mm to right, giving the impression of a double print.⁸



First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at \$2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured *Melithaea* coral.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured a piece of *Subergorgia* coral on rocks.

The special first day postmark included the *Subergorgia* coral.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.11.1	492	478	30c.(A). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.1a	492bw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.2	493	479	30c.(B). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.2a	493bw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.3	494	480	30c.(C). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.3a	494w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.4	495	481	30c.(D). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.4a	495bw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.5	496	482	30c.(E). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.5a	496bw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.6	492a	MC-169	Se-tenant strip of five (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.6a	492bwa	-	-(1a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.7	MS497a	MC-169M	\$2 miniature sheet. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
92.11.7a	MS492aw	-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.7b	MS497	-	- Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.7c	MS497w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.8	-	MFDC-169	First day cover (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.8a	-	-	- (1-5, 7b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.9	-	MFDC-169M	- (7a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.9a	-	-	- (7b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
92.11.10	-	MPP-169	Presentation pack (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: Other combinations may exist on first day cover. Those listed have been recorded by the author.

28 February 1993⁹

Definitive Postcard - KL'92.



(illustration reduced 50%)

A new 20c. definitive postcard eventually replaced the 15c. card. Surprisingly, the stamp reproduced on it was not a Produce Definitive, but instead the imprinted 20c. Sultan Abdul Samad Building clock tower stamp used on Kuala Lumpur'92 postcards. The printer and designer were not recorded.

The card was 155mm x 110mm, plain white except for the "stamp" (still incorporating the KL'92 emblem), plus the coat of arms and text printed in cyan previously used on the 1979 Definitive Issue postcards.

First day facilities:

No first day cards have been reported. The issue date was reported by a local member.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.1.1	-	P9	Postcard.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 March 1993.

Unstamped Envelope - Army 60th Anniversary.



(illustration reduced 50%)

An unstamped 220mm x 110mm commemorative envelope marked the 60th anniversary of the formation of the Malayan Army, first raised at Port Dickson on 1 March 1933. The front of the cover showed infantrymen, a field gun and the army flag.

The back bears a descriptive text in Malay. This text had a date error, "1993". The cover was reported to have been withdrawn within one hour of issue and the offending text was painted out in white and overtyped "1933".

First day facilities:

Covers were serviced with a 20c. Federal Territory or Negri Sembilan stamp and a special postmark showing the Army coat of arms and "60".

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.2.1	-	-	Cover.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.2.1a	-	-	- First day serviced - Text uncorrected.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.2.1b	-	-	- First day serviced - Text corrected.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 April 1993.**16th Asian-Pacific Dental Congress.**

The 16th Asian-Pacific Dental Congress was held in Kuala Lumpur from 22 to 27 April 1993. The member associations were from Australia, Bangladesh, Guam, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand. This was the first issue to abandon use of the dollar sign in favour of "RM", signifying Ringgit Melayu, but the cent sign was still used.

Designed by Image Promotions Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant pairs.

Counter sheets:

The four 38mm x 28mm stamps form two se-tenant pairs, one with two 30c. and one containing a 50c. and RM1 values. The designs featured women from the seventeen member nations, except Malaysia which was represented by a man. The Australian was identifiable as she was holding a koala bear. Readers with a keen eye for national dress may be able to further identify which woman represents which member state, in which case, the author would be pleased to know the answer. The individual stamps showed:

30c.(A): Four women;

30c.(B): Four women, one holding a koala bear;

50c.: Three women plus a man (representing Malaysia) with Japanese, Malaysian and South Korean flags;

RM1: Five women with New Zealand, Thai, Chinese and Indonesian flags.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to left and right of R1 and R10. The phosphor-coated paper gave blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up, but the 30c. also exists sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack and the first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured a dentist's chair and tools.

The first day cover was printed by Rota Envelopes.

The special first day postmark included number 16 in an ellipse.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.3.1	498	484	30c.(A): Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.1a	498bw	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.2	499	485	30c.(B): Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.2a	499bw	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.3	498a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.3a	498bwa	-	- (1a-2a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.4	500	486	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.5	501	487	RM1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.6	500a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.7	-	MFDC-170	First day cover (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.3.8	-	MPP-170	Presentation pack (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 June 1993.

Royal Selangor Golf Club.



The Selangor Golf Club was founded on 21 January 1893 by coffee planters Clem and John Glassford, and by Kit and Robert Meikle. 30 members joined at the first meeting. The first 9-hole course was built on a disused graveyard at Petaling Hill at a cost of \$300. The club house was completed in 1894. The original course became a People's Park in 1918, in exchange for which the State Government provided land in Kuala Lumpur and funds for a 36-hole course and club house, which was built between 1920 and 1931 together with tennis courts and a swimming pool. During the Japanese occupation, the club became an arms school, air strip, vegetable plots and squatter housing, but it was restored in 1946-1948. The title "Royal" was granted by the King in 1963.

Designed by Tony Teh Chin Seng of De Art Forms Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three stamps showed:

30c.: Hibiscus and players on fairway (28mm x 38mm);

50c.: Club house scenes in 1893 and 1993 (28mm x 38mm);

RM1: Golf course bunker (38mm x 28mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) at left and right in top and bottom margins of 30s. and 50s.(position not recorded for RM1), SPM emblem (x4) at top and bottom in left and right margins of 30s. and 50s.(position not recorded for RM1). The phosphor-coated paper gave a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright on 30c. and 50c. and sideways reading up on the RM1. The 50c. exists inverted. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Issue and withdrawal:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.70. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the silhouette of a golfer in a sunset and "100".

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, and printed by Rota Envelopes, featured a golf ball with the centenary emblem.

The special first day postmark included a golfer.

Withdrawal:

The issue was due for withdrawal on 24 September 1993.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.4.1	502	488	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.4.2	503	489	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.4.2a	503w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.4.3	504	490	RM1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.4.4	-	MFDC-171	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.4.5	-	MPP-171	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 August 1993.

Wild Flowers II - Gingers.



Designed by Tiara C.D.P. Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised four counter sheets. For postcards bearing these stamps, see entry 93.12.

Counter sheets:

These four 28mm x 38mm stamps showed the blooms of various members of the Ginger family:

20c.: Raffles' Alpinia (Tepus kajai, *Alpinia rafflesiana*);

30c.: Scarlet Earth Ginger (Tepus, *Etilingera littoralis*, formerly *Achasma megalochelilos*, which is on the stamp);

50c.: Beehive Ginger (Tepus tanah, *Zingiber spectabile*);

RM1: Crape Ginger (Setawar, *Costus speciosus*).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but inverted watermarks exist for two values. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The left margin was imperforate on the 20c. Other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.90. The envelope of the presentation pack featured Tepus kajai.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured the four designs in circles.

The special first day postmark included Tepus tanah.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 6 February 1994 or earlier if stocks were exhausted.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.5.1	505	491	20c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.1a	505w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.2	506	492	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.3	507	493	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.4	508	494	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.4a	508w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.5	-	MFDC-172	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.5.6	-	MPP-172	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14 August 1993.**Taipei Stamp Exhibition.**

The Taipei'93 Asian International Stamp Exhibition was held from 14-19 August 1993. A Pos Malaysia commemorative envelope for the exhibition was reported, but examples have not yet been seen by the author and the Philatelic Bureau was said to be unaware of it.

Number 93.6.1 has been reserved for this item, should it appear.

29 August 1993.**Sarawak - Kuching Stamp Exhibition.**

A stamp exhibition was held from 29 August to 2 September 1993 in Kuching to mark the 30th Anniversary of Malaysia. A special exhibition cachet was produced with the event emblem and has been seen used to service privately-produced event covers bearing the new Sarawak definitive issue, which was released on 1 September.

4 September 1993.**Envelope - 6th World Corporate Games.**

(illustration reduced 50%)

The sixth World Corporate Games, which were for teams representing companies instead of countries, were held in Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Port Dickson from 4 to 12 September 1993, with sponsorship from Proton Cars, whose emblem appears on the commemorative postal stationery envelope, sold at 70c.

The envelope measured 208mm x 108mm and was printed by standard four-colour off-set lithography. The left-hand side of the envelope showed a running track with a golfer, a badminton player, a footballer and a netball player, whilst the

30c. “stamp” had the same running track background on which was superimposed part of the games emblem. A printed “perforation” 13.8 completes the design. There was no printer’s imprint, but a coloured “doodle” plate marking appears on the flap.

First day facility:

The Philatelic Bureau provided a special first day of issue handstamp based on the Games’ emblem.

Withdrawal:

By 1999, remainders were overprinted “URUSAN POS” in large seriffed letters with a large cross over the “stamp” for use on official mail.¹⁰

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.7.1	-	PE5	Envelope.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.7.1a	-	-	- first day postmark	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.7.2	-	-	- Remainder overprinted for official mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6 September 1993.

Aerogramme - Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (I) - Kuantan Challenge.



(illustration reduced 50%)

The first aerogramme in the Visit Malaysia Year 1994 series was issued as pre-publicity for the “Kuantan Challenge” sailboarding regatta, to be held at Balok Beach, Kuantan, Pahang from 25 January to 6 February 1994.

By an uncredited designer (probably Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd.), this aerogramme was sold at 50c. The 48mm x 26mm 50c. “stamp” showed a sailboarder in action.

Printing details were not recorded. The aerogramme was in Format B¹¹, measuring 212mm x 320mm unfolded, 180mm x 106mm folded. It showed:

Top: Hibiscus (Bunga Raya, *Hibiscus rosa sinensis*), “stamp” and address panel.
 Centre: Sailboarder in action, Visit Malaysia Year '94 emblem and return address panel.
 Bottom: Blank.

It was printed on white paper which gave a low fluorescent reaction without after-glow under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The “stamp” had no simulated perforation.

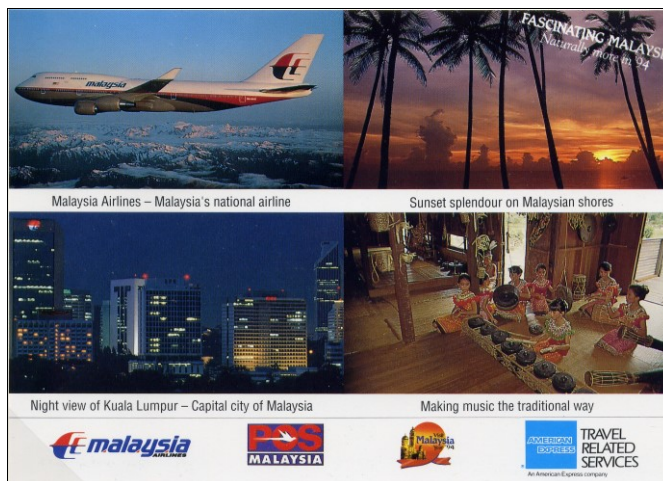
First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included the Pos Malaysia bird emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.8.1	-	AL11	Aerogramme.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.8.1a	-	-	- First day postmark	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

6? September 1993.

“Fascinating Malaysia” Tourist Postcards.



(Card 2 - illustration reduced 50%)

This set of three unstamped promotional postcards, sold for 90c., was co-sponsored with Pos Malaysia by Malaysian Airways, the Tourism Board and American Express as part of the Visit Malaysia Year’94 campaign. Bearing the slogan “Fascinating Malaysia - Naturally more in ‘94”, the three postcards were 175mm by 126mm and were printed on thin gloss card. The three cards respectively show:

1. Hibiscus flower.
2. Malaysian Airlines Boeing 747-4H6 airliner 9M-MHO “Alor Setar”, a sunset, Kuala Lumpur by night, and a traditional band.
3. Hibiscus, Berkoh Cascade in Taman Negara, KL Padang by day and a beach.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
93.9.1	-	Postcard 1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.9.2	-	Postcard 2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.9.3	-	Postcard 3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

13 September 1993.

14th Commonwealth Forestry Conference.



Held on 13 to 18 September 1993 in Kuala Lumpur, this conference reports to the next Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting on all current issues affecting forestry. In conjunction with the conference, a Commonwealth Forestry Park was launched in Kanching Forest Reserve, Selangor.

Designed by CD Advertising Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets. (See also issue 93.11 below).

Counter sheets:

The three stamps showed:

30c.: A view from space with forest under magnifying glass (38mm x 28mm);

50c.: A forest in a hand (38mm x 28mm);

RM1: A forest under a bell jar (28mm x 38mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings on the 30c. were normal SPM practice, i.e. plate numbers 1A (x4) in top and bottom margins at left and right, with SPM emblem (x4) in left and right margins at top and bottom. The 50c. markings were displaced towards the centre of the sheet, straying into the adjacent row/column. The RM1 sheet had unique markings, with residual sheet value markings in the top margin, counting down from RM100 at the left to RM10 at the right. SPM logos were opposite rows 1 and 2, with the plate numbers probably opposite lower rows. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was sideways reading up on the 30c. and 50c., and inverted on RM1.¹² The perforations comb measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.80. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a forest.
The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured a different forest.
The special first day postmark included trees.

Withdrawal:

This issue was due for withdrawal on 13 December 1993 or when stocks exhausted, if earlier.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.10.1	509	495	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.10.2	510	496	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.10.3	511w	497	RM1. Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.10.4	-	MFDC-173	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.10.5	-	MPP-173	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14th Commonwealth Forestry Conference - Bangkok'93 Stamp Exhibition (1 October 1993).

The Bangkok '93 FIP World Stamp Exhibition was held on 1-10 October 1993. For the first time, stamps were specially produced. The Forestry Conference stamps were redrawn (not overprinted as is often stated) with a tiny Bangkok'93 emblem adjacent to and in the same colour as the existing inscriptions on the stamp. It was understood that they were intended solely for sale at the exhibition. As with the original issue, this issue comprised three counter sheets. An exhibition souvenir card was also issued.

Counter sheets:

Technical details of the stamps were generally as for the original issue but the sheet markings on all values were normal SPM practice, i.e., for the 30c and 50c, plate numbers 1A (x4) in top and bottom margins at left and right, with SPM emblem (x4) in left and right margins at top and bottom. The RM1 stamp was printed as if it was landscape-format, the top of the stamp being to the right, and the sheet markings reflect this, instead of being arranged as one would expect for a portrait-format stamp. This suggests that the three values were printed in a single operation as three panes on a single plate set. Perforation was 12.2 (as on the normal stamp), with margins perforated through except the bottom margins on the 30c. and 50c. and right margin on RM1 which were imperforate.

Exhibition souvenir card:

This large, unstamped souvenir card showed a bunch of orchids on a green background. This can be found used with a set of the stamps tied by a rectangular cachet with the event emblem and text "WORLD PHILATELIC / EXHIBITION / 1-10 OCTOBER 1993 / BANGKOK 1993 / POS MALAYSIA". One has been seen backstamped with cds "SIBU / - 1.10.19930615 / M4 / SARAWAK", suggesting that some stamps were, surprisingly (see below), available at SibU on the day of issue (or, possibly more likely, that the card may have been date stamped by favour after the event).

First day facilities:

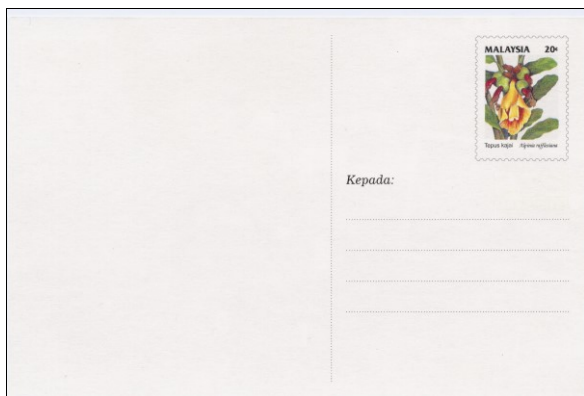
Supplies of the stamps were not sent to new issue account holders (in Malaysia or abroad). They were only available at the Philatelic Bureau in Kuala Lumpur on the day of issue, selling out fast, and (a few) examples may have gone to state bureau after the exhibition. Although valid for postage, this issue is seldom seen used.

No official Pos Malaysia first day covers were issued but the Thai Post Office issued a cover for the exhibition. Privately-produced covers exist, including use of the Thai cover, cancelled with the cachet described below in lieu of a postmark. The Kuala Lumpur Philatelic Bureau used a special postmark similar to the cachet used at the exhibition.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.11.1	footnote	498	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.11.2	footnote	499	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.11.3	footnote	500	RM1. Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.11.4	-	-	Exhibition souvenir card.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9 October 1993.

Love Malaysia Postcards.



(Card G - illustrations reduced 50%)

A pack of ten 153mm x 101mm postal stationery cards were initially sold as a set in a plastic packet for RM5¹³ to be used in conjunction with a contest on television station TV3 promoting the “Love Malaysia” Campaign. The pack in which the cards were supplied included an entry form for the competition.

The back of the card was blank at the left with four dotted address lines at right. They bear a printed “stamp”, based on the 20c. Wild Flowers (Gingers) pictorial stamp but smaller (25mm x 33mm), with printed “perforation” 12.2. They were printed in standard four-colour off-set lithography (printer unknown) on card with low fluorescence. The front of the card had at the right the POS MALAYSIA emblem, the TV3 emblem and a slogan on a coloured background. To the left, there was a collage of relevant images. The ten cards have the slogans and illustrations listed below (“Negaraku” translates as “My country”).

Card	Slogan	Attribute	Depicts
A	Negaraku Progresif	Progressive	Proton Wira 1.6XLi car, steelworks, Penang Bridge, oil drilling platform.
B	Negaraku Harmoni	Harmonious	Cheerleaders, drummers, dragon boat race, horsemen.
C	Negaraku Bersih	Clean	Waterfall, Rhinoceros Hornbill, orchid, Rajah Brooke’s Birdwing butterfly.
D	Negaraku Cemerlang	Glittering	Chemist, student graduation, control room, children parading.
E	Negaraku Makmur	Prosperous	Container port, assembly line, oil drilling rig, coaches and cars on motorway.
F	Negaraku Berbudaya	Cultured	Ribbon dance and other dancers.
G	Negaraku Sihat	Healthy	Medal ceremony, hockey, football, athletics.
H	Negaraku Menawan	Heavenly	Formal garden, catamaran 96723 and beach resorts, Gunung Tahan (mountain in Pahang).
I	Negaraku Indah	Beautiful	Topiary, carnival float with elephant, Hibiscus and Rafflesia, Central Parks (gardens in Kuala Lumpur), water train.
J	Negaraku Sejahtera	Peaceful and prosperous	Parades - Flag bearers wearing Commonwealth Games ’98 tee-shirts, military officers taking salute, marchers bearing fans, girl drummers.

There were at least two versions printed:

- Type 1: This was on a greyish, glossy card, without optical brightener, on which the “stamp” ink appears glossy.
- Type 2: This was on a thinner, warmer matt white card, with fluorescent optical brightener, on which the ink of the stamp does not reflect incident light.

Cards on the two papers were found mixed in the same pack at the time of initial issue. Only one card was not so far found in both varieties. Both may exist for all cards.

First day facilities:

There were no known first day facilities and no special postmark was used.

Commercial use:

Type 1 cards were overprinted in green by the Sarawak Steamship Company for use as “Thank you for your business” cards to be sent to customers at the end of their activity with the company. These were still in use, uprated as required, in June 2019. It is assumed that all designs of card exist, although only D and J have been seen by the author.

Withdrawal:

Official Use Type A: Reminders of these postcards were used by the post master at Sibu, Sarawak as “Advice of Registered Mails Pending Collection” cards. They were handstamped with a form to record details of the item, a boxed

counter number mark and a three-ring undated circular cancellation on the "stamp". Cards so used seen have been dated between 12 December 2000 and 22 March 2001. Most were Type 2, but some were Type 1.

Official Use Type B: The cards were similarly overprinted by the Head Postmaster of Sabah with "URUSAN POS" and a Bahasa-language form for renewal of Post Office Box (Peti Surat) subscriptions. Only unused cards have been recorded.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
93.12.1	-	- ¹⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.1a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.1b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.2	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.2a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.2b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.2c	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.3	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.3a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.3b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.4	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.4a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.4b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.5	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.5a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.5b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.6	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.6a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.6aa	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.6b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.7	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.7aa	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.7a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.7b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.8	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.8a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.8b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.9	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.9a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.9b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.10	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.10a	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.10aa	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.12.10b	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

23 October 1993.

Kingfishers.



This issue was intended to illustrate the variety of plumages found on Malaysian kingfishers.

Designed by Ong Soo Keat and Image Promotions Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant pairs of stamps.

Counter sheets:

The two se-tenant pairs of 28mm x 38mm stamps showed:

Value	English Name	Malay Name	Latin Name
30c.(A)	White-breasted kingfisher	Burung Pekaka Belukar	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i> (Linnaeus)
30c.(B)	Blue-eared kingfishers	Burung Pekaka Bintik-Bintik	<i>Alcedo meninting</i> (Horsfield)
50c.(A)	Chestnut-collared kingfisher	Burung Pekaka Rimba Besar	<i>Halcyon concreta</i> (Temminck)
50c.(B)	Black-backed kingfisher	Burung Pekaka Rimba	<i>Ceyx erithacus</i> (Linnaeus)

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Plate numbers (1A x4) and SPM emblems (x4) appear in all four corners of the sheet. The phosphor-coated paper gave a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The watermark was Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 12.2, perforated from left to right, leaving the left margin imperforate and the right perforated through; top and bottom margins were not recorded but were probably perforated through.

Variety:

The following varieties were reported:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
30c.	v1	R1/10-R10/10	Imperf between stamp and right-hand margin. ¹⁵
50c.	v1	R1/10-R10/10	Imperf between stamp and right-hand margin. ¹⁶

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured various kingfishers.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured various kingfishers.

The special first day postmark included a kingfisher.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.13.1	512	501	30c.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.2	513	502	30c.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.3	512a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.4	514	503	50c.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.5	515	504	50c.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.6	514a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.7	-	MFDC-175	First day cover (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.13.8	-	MPP-175	Presentation pack (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 December 1993.

LIMA'93.



Held from 7 to 12 December 1993 on Pulau Langkawi, the Langkawi International Maritime & Aerospace Exhibition 1993 (LIMA'93) was the second of a biennial series of trade exhibitions intended to develop the island as a commercial centre in the marine and aerospace sectors.

Designed by Abdul Razak Hassan and The Art Promotions Sdn. Bhd.,

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm stamps show:

30c.: Malaysia-built SME MD3-160M two-seat light aircraft;

50c.: Eagle X-TS canard-wing light aircraft;

RM1: Royal Malaysian Navy light frigate F25 "K.D. Kasturi" (Kappal Diraja = His Majesty's Ship, Hang Kasturi was a famous warrior of the Malacca Sultanate). Built by Blohn & Voss, Kiel, Germany (Type FS1500), launched on 14 May 1983 and on commissioned 15 August 1984.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A (x4) and SPM emblems (x4) in all corners, and the text "SECURITY PRINTERS (MALAYSIA) SDN.BHD." in the bottom margin. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The watermark was Multiple SPM watermark in a variety of orientations. The 30c. was normally sideways reading up, but was also found inverted. The 50c. was normally inverted, but also exists upright (very scarce). The RM1 was normally upright, but was also found sideways reading up or sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Miniature sheet:

The miniature sheet incorporated a stamp at the top left corner showing a map of Langkawi. The sheet background showed a map of Malaysia, the "K.D. Kasturi" and various civil and military aircraft, including one helicopter. An inset showed a MANPAD surface-to-air missile being launched from "K.D. Kasturi". The sheet normally had watermark Multiple SPM upright but was also found sideways reading down. It was perforated 12.2.

**First day facilities:**

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured KD "Kasturi" and aircraft.

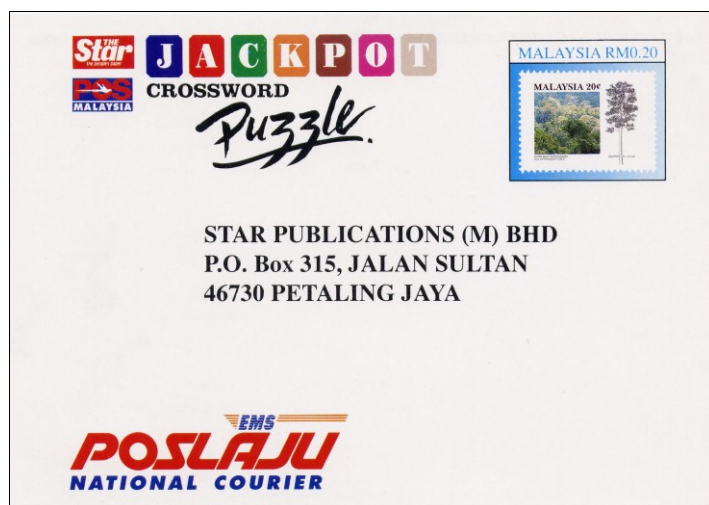
The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured a map of Langkawi with KD "Kasturi" and aircraft.

The special first day postmark included the LIMA '93 emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.14.1	516	505	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.1a	516a	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.2	517	506	50c. Wmk. I. ¹⁷	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.2a	517a	-	- Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.3	518	507	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.3a	518aw	-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.3b	518a	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.4	MS519	MC-176M	RM2 miniature sheet. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.4a	MS519a	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.5	-	MFDC-176	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.5aa	-	-	- (1. 2a, 3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.5a	-	MFDC-176M	- (4)	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.5b	-	-	- (4a) ¹ .	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
93.14.6	-	MPP-176	Presentation pack (1-2, 3a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1993?

Postcard - Star Crossword (II).



(Illustrations reduced 50%)

THE STAR JACKPOT CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO: (Please fill in)

Mon	Tues
Please stick securely	
Wed	Thurs

Full Name:
 Date of Birth:
 I.C. No.:
 Sex: Male Female (Please tick ✓)
 Occupation:
 Address:
 Postcode:
 State:
 Tel. No.:

I get my copy of *The Star* from:
 home delivery office
 newsstand others (Please state:)

Signature:
 Price: 35 sen

A further crossword competition postcard sponsored by The Star newspaper, this issue probably took place in 1993. It was smaller than the previous issue, 181mm by 133mm, with a “stamp on stamp” imprint, consisting of a 41mm by 37mm box containing a reproduction of the 1992 20c. Forestry stamp (see issue 92.2) on a blue background. The postage value was shown as “RM0.20”, the first time that a cents value had been shown thus. The cards were sold at 35c. The reverse of the card had provision for four daily crosswords to be stuck to the card.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
93.15.1	-	-	Postcard.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 January 1994.

Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (I).



1994 was also designated “Visit Malaysia Year”, only four years after the last one.

Designed by Mega Dot Sdn. Bhd, this issue comprised four counter sheets. For a similar issue, but with the Aseanpex emblem inserted, see issue 94.19 below.

Counter sheets:

The four 38mm x 28mm stamps showed:

20c.: The Jeriau waterfalls, Fraser’s Hill;

30c.: Hibiscus and other flowers;

50c.: An unidentified turtle and fishes;

RM1: An Orang Utan, Slow Loris, Tiger and Clouded Leopard.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Plate number 1A (x4) appears above and below columns 1 and 10, and SPM emblems (x4) appear to left and right of the rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The normal watermark was Multiple SPM inverted. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The top and left margins were perforated through on all values and the right margin on RM1. Other margins were not recorded but the bottom margin was probably imperforate.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a beach scene. Special presentation packs were prepared for official presentations with a cyan-faced card showing only the Pos Malaysia emblem, with inside the Bahasa text for “With The Compliments of the Minister of Energy, Telecommunications and Post Dato’ Seri S. Samy Vellu SPMP, SPMJ, DPMS, AMN, PCM. Postage Stamp Souvenir in celebration of Visit Malaysia Year 1994 1 January 1994”

The first day cover, printed by Rota Envelopes and sold at 20c. mint, featured a butterfly. Some covers were overprinted on the flap with Bahasa text for “With The Compliments s of the Minister of Energy, Telecommunications and Post Dato’ Seri S. Samy Vellu SPMP, SPMJ, DPMS, AMN, PCM.”.

The special first day postmark included a butterfly.

A first day cover was reported, posted at Kuching, bearing forged stamps created by cutting-out the illustrations from the cover insert and hand-perforating them. ¹

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.1.1	520	509	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.2	521	510	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.3	522	511	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.4	523	512	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.5	-	MFDC-177	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.5a	-	-	- Official presentation cover (1-4).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.6	-	MPP-177	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1.7	-	-	Official presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	-

Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (II) - ASEANPEX '94 (8 November 1994).



The ASEANPEX'94 ASEAN Philatelic Exhibition was held from 8 to 13 November at Penang. The Visit Malaysia Year 1994 issue of 1 January 1994 was reprinted with the ASEANPEX emblem incorporated in the design for sale at this exhibition. Although scarce, commercially used examples are known.

The ASEANPEX '94 emblem included the Penang Bridge and was inserted in white at the top right (20c., 50c.) or left (30c., RM1) of the design. The watermark was sideways reading up unlike the original issue which had watermark inverted. Otherwise, details were as for the original issue. The top margin (RM1) and left margin (20c., 50c.) were known to be perforated through. Others margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

Special exhibition covers were sold at 30c., featuring the event emblem and stamps from the ASEAN countries. Special postmarks were issued for each day of the exhibition:

Date	Title	Motif
8 November 1994	ASEAN Day	ASEAN emblem.
9 November 1994	Environment Day	Nature scene.
10 November 1994	Tourism Day	Map and Tourism Malaysia slogan.
11 November 1994	Thematic Day	Train, flowers and plane.
12 November 1994	Youth Day	Stylised people exercising.
13 November 1994	International Family Day	Stylised people on globe.

Private souvenirs:

The Penang Philatelic Society issued a souvenir cover featuring the Penang Bridge. The Philatelic Society of Malaysia issued an "Exhibition Card" to which collectors could attach the stamps of participating countries, handstamped at the countries' booths. Other private covers are known.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.1a.1	footnote	543	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1a.2	footnote	544	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1a.3	footnote	545	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1a.4	footnote	546	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.1a.5	-	MFDC-187	Exhibition cover.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	-	-	Used on: 8Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/> # 9Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/> 10Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/>		
			11Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/> 12Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/> 13Nov94 <input type="checkbox"/>		

24 January 1994.

Aerogramme - Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (II).



(Illustration reduced 50%)

This second of four aerogrammes in the Visit Malaysia 1994 format was sold at 50c. Featuring the Hibiscus flower, the front design was similar to the previous one but with a green panel instead of blue. The 48mm x 26mm 50c. “stamp” showed an Orang Utan.

The designer (probably Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd.) and printing details were not recorded. The aerogramme was in Format B ¹¹, measuring 212mm x 320mm unfolded, 180mm x 106mm folded. It showed:

- Top: Hibiscus (Bunga Raya, *Hibiscus rosa sinensis*), “stamp” and address panel.
- Centre: Rafflesia flower.
- Bottom: Blank.

It was printed on white paper which gave a low fluorescent reaction without after-glow under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The “stamp” had no simulated perforations.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark featured the Pos Malaysia bird emblem, as on other recent aerogrammes.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.2.1	-	AL12	Aerogramme.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.2.1a	-	-	- First day of issue postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 February 1994.

Official Opening of National Planetarium.



This project began in 1988 in the Lake Garden in Kuala Lumpur and was completed in 1993. It was combined with a small observatory which had a 14-inch telescope. It had been planned to issue stamps on this theme on 15 November 1993, but the issue was postponed indefinitely at the last minute. Later news was that it was to be issued on 31 January 1994. It finally appeared on 7 February.

Designed jointly by CD Advertising Sdn. Bhd. and De Art Forms Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

- The three 38mm x 28mm designs showed:
- 30c.: The Planetarium and projections of the planet Saturn and a galaxy;
- 50c.: Static exhibits including a model Space Shuttle;
- RM1: The auditorium with projected displays.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) at top and bottom of left and right columns, and SPM emblems (x4) at left and right of top and bottom rows. The phosphor-coated paper gave a blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally inverted on the 30c., but was also reported upright. ¹ It was upright on 50c. and \$1. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The bottom margin was imperforate and the remainder perforated through.

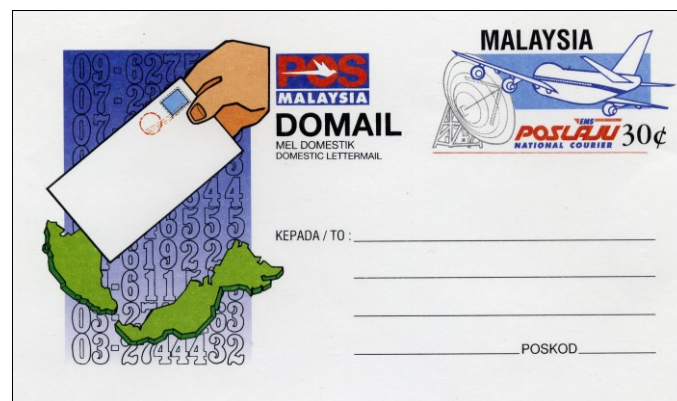
First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a view of Earth from space showing Asia.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured Saturn.

The special first day postmark included the Russian Mir space station. "Mir", in Russian, had two meanings, "Peace" and "all over the World", it can thus be interpreted in this context as "Peace to the World".

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.3.1	524	513	30c. Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.3.1a	524w	-	- Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.3.2	525	514	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.3.3	526	515	\$1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.3.4	-	MFDC-178	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.3.5	-	MPP-178	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8 February 1994.**Domestic Mail (DoMail) Letter Sheet.**

(Illustration reduced 50%)

Known as the "DOMAIL" (short for DOmestic letter MAIL) letter sheet, this was a new item of postal stationery, in the format used for aerogrammes. The aim was to encourage the population to write more letters by using postal stationery, a vision which goes all the way back to Rowland Hill's Mulready envelopes. Special programmes included the distribution of DoMail sheets free to 100 school children in Penang.

A twice-daily domestic airmail service had operated between East and West Malaysia since December 1993, using a leased aircraft, and a further aircraft was to be leased to meet growing demand. Loadings in February 1994 were 20 tonnes of mail and goods eastbound and 5 tonnes westbound each day.

It also promoted "POSLAJU - National Courier", Pos Malaysia's courier service. Originally planned for 19 December 1993, the launch of this issue was postponed to 8 February 1994, on which day the formal launch of this product took place at various places throughout Malaysia¹⁸, simultaneously with the launch of a "kurier nasional" courier service envelope.

By an uncredited designer, the sheets were sold singly at 40c. each or in note pads of 10 at RM4 without discount. The single letter sheet had "Harga: 40 sen" at the foot. The sheet taken from the note pads was without this inscription. The 48mm x 26mm, unframed, 30c. "stamp" showed a satellite earth station and Boeing 747. The sheet showed:

- Top: Hand holding letter over map of Malaysia, "stamp" and address panel.
 Centre: Transport in POSLAJU National Courier livery (despatch rider on motor cycle WCV9514, van WCW6758, Tata articulated lorry WDA7970 and twin-engined Boeing 777-2H6ER jet airliner), sorting office and return address panel.
 Bottom: Blank.

One million DoMail sheets were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. The sheet was in aerogramme Format B, measuring 213mm x 319mm unfolded, 180mm x 104mm folded. It was printed on white paper with blue-tinted gum on the tabs. The paper gave a blue-white fluorescent reaction but no after-glow under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The "stamp" had no simulated perforation.

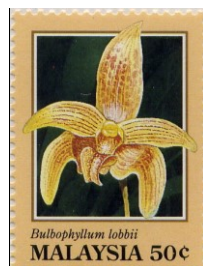
First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included maps of West and East Malaysia.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.4.1	-	AL13	Single sheet - With value inscription.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.4.2	-	-	Sheet from pad - Without value inscription.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.4.3	-	-	Complete pad of 10 sheets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17 February 1994.

Orchids of Malaysia.



This issue was produced to support the Malaysian Philatelic Bureau's presence at the Hong Kong '94 stamp exhibition. Singapore does not have a monopoly on orchids. Malaysia claimed over 1000 wild species!

Designed by Peter Khang Howe Ket, this issue comprised four counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The four 28mm x 38mm stamps showed the following orchids:

- 20c.: *Spathoglottis aurea* Lindley;
- 30c.: *Paphiopedilum barbatum* (Lindl) Pfitz.;
- 50c.: *Bulbophyllum lobbii* Lindley;
- RM1: *Aerides odorata* Lour.

They were printed in sheets of 50 (10 x 5) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The sheet margins were unusually wide (31-33mm at top and bottom, 44-46mm at left and right). The usual plate numbers 1A (x4) appeared horizontally at the top and bottom of the left and right margins, with the SPM emblems (x4) vertically adjacent. Top and bottom margins were otherwise blank, but the left and right-hand margins contained line drawings of the plant concerned in flower and various detailed drawings of the flower. The phosphor-coated paper gave blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The watermark was Multiple SPM sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The top margin was perforated through with the others imperforate.

Variety:

A complete sheet of the RM1 was reported with the perforation displaced down 12mm, cutting through the stamps.

Miniature sheet:

The 120mm x 82mm sheet sold for RM2.00 and contained a single 38mm x 28mm stamp showing *Grammatophyllum speciosum*. The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading down, but could also be found sideways reading up. The perforation measured 12.2. The design included the Hong Kong '94 exhibition emblem.



Proof material in the public domain:

Imperforate plate proofs of the RM1 value appeared on the market in 2008. ¹⁹

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured *Arundina graminifolia*. The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, and the special first day postmark featured *Vanda hookeriana*.

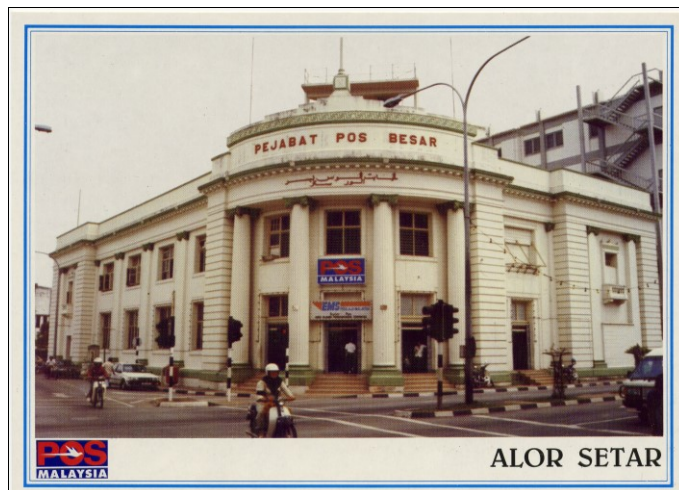
A special exhibition cachet featuring clock towers of Kuala Lumpur and Hong Kong was applied to some covers.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.5.1	527	516	20c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.2	528	517	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.3	529	518	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.4	530	519	\$1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.5	MS531	MC-179M	\$2 Miniature sheet. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.5.5a	MS531w	-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.6	-	MFDC-179	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.7	-	MFDC-179M	- (5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.5.8	-	MPP-179	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

c. May 1994.

Postcard - Alor Star Post Office.



(Illustration reduced 50%)

Pos Malaysia issued an unstamped postcard showing the General Post Office building in Alor Star and the Pos Malaysia emblem. The back had divided back, six address lines, box for stamp and "Pejabat Pos Besar Alor Star, Kedah Darul Aman" at bottom left. Issue date and other details were not recorded, but an example was purchased by a visitor on 23 May 1994.²⁰

Also on sale at that time was a postcard showing the \$1 Kedah stamp of 1912. The card was the same size as that above but the back had the Pos Malaysia emblem in place of the inscription.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.6.1	-	-	Postcard - Post Office.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.6.2	-	-	Postcard - \$1 stamp.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17 June 1994.

World Islamic Civilisation Festival (I).



Designed by Assist Ad Sdn. Bhd, this issue featured examples of Islamic art, and was issued to coincide with the Moslem New Year, Ma'al Hijrah 1415, to mark the World Islamic Civilisation Festival '94, held in Kuala Lumpur from 17 June 1994 to 30 November 1994.

Designed by Assist Ad Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised four counter sheets. For a similar issue but with the PhilaKorea emblem inserted, see issue 94.10 below.

Counter sheets:

The four 28mm x 38mm stamps showed:

20c.: A decorative ceramic bowl;

30c.: A celestial sphere;

50c.: Dinar coins;

RM1: A decorative tile.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included the plate numbers 1A (x4) above and below the left and right columns and SPM emblems (x 4) to left and right of the top and bottom rows. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but the 50c. exists inverted mint, the 30c. inverted exists on

some first day covers and the 20c. inverted has been reported. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The tip, left and right margins were perforated through. The bottom margin was not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured ancient and modern Islamic products.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., also featured ancient and modern Islamic products.

The special first day postmark included the festival emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.7.1	532	521	20c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.1a	532w	-	- Wmk. I. ²¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.2	533	522	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.2a	533w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.3	534	523	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.3a	534w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.4	535	524	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.5	-	MFDC-180	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.5a	-	-	- (1, 2a, 3-4).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7.6	-	MPP-180	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

World Islamic Civilisation Festival (II) - Philakorea'94 Stamp Exhibition (16 August 1994).



Philakorea 1994 World Stamp Exhibition coincided with the 21st Universal Postal Union Congress. Both were held in Seoul from 16 to 25 August 1994. The issue originally planned for this event was aborted (see issue 94.14 below) and this issue was produced as a last-minute replacement.

Designed by Assist Ad Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised four counter sheets and an exhibition souvenir card. For a similar issue but without the PhilaKorea emblem inserted, see issue 94.7 below.

Counter sheets:

The Islamic Festival stamps of 17 June 1994 were redrawn (not overprinted as often stated) with the Philakorea '94 emblem (the Ying and Yang symbol of Korea adapted so that the dividing line was a dove carrying a letter) in full colour.

The watermark was normally upright, but the 20c. and 30c. exist inverted. In all other respects, they were identical to the original issue.

Exhibition souvenir card:

An exhibition souvenir card for visitors to this exhibition was also issued. Further details are not available.

First day facilities:

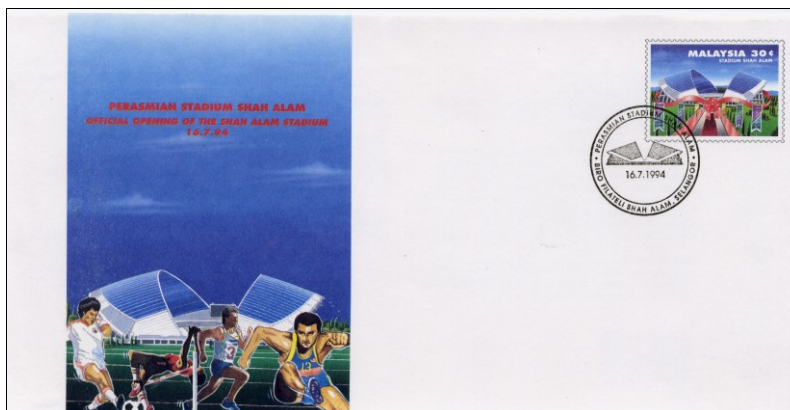
This issue was not sent to Bureau new issues service account holders, but was widely available.

The exhibition cover featured *Nepenthes sanguinea*, the pitcher plant. A special cancellation dated "16-25 AUGUST 1994" featured a stylised pitcher plant and was applied to covers for general sale. Alternatively, a Philakorea Day postmark was also applied to some covers posted at the exhibition. There may have been other "day" postmarks but these have not been recorded.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.7a.1	footnote	528	20c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.1a	footnote	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.2	footnote	529	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.2a	footnote	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.3	footnote	530	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.4	footnote	531	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.5	-	MFDC-182	First day cover - undated cancellation (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.5a	-	-	- Philakorea Day cancellation (1-4).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.5b	-	-	-- (1a, 2-4). ¹	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.7a.6	-	-	Souvenir card.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 July 1994

Envelope - Official Opening of Shah Alam Stadium.



(Illustration reduced 50%)

The opening of the RM460 million Shah Alam Stadium was the first stage of a Selangor Government project to build a world-class sports complex including indoor stadium, swimming and tennis complexes, training facilities and accommodation.

This commemorative postal stationery envelope was sold for 70c. It measured 218mm x 108mm and was without printer's imprint. It showed a side view of the stadium, plus footballer, high-jumper and athletes, whilst the 30c. "stamp" showed the same view of the stadium surrounded by a red ribbon. A printed "perforation" measured 13.9. The paper gave blue fluorescence.

First day facilities:

The special postmark read "PERASMIAN STADIUM SHAH ALAM / 16.7.1994 / .BIRO FILATELI SHAH ALAM, SELANGOR" and showed a stylised side elevation of the stadium.

Withdrawal:

Unsold remainders were overprinted "URUSAN POS" with a diagonal cross through the "stamp" for use on official mail.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.8.1	-	PE6	Envelope.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.8.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.8.2	-	-	- Overprinted for official use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26 July 1994.

Centenary of Veterinary Services.



The first British vet was appointed in Penang in 1888. Initially, state veterinary services were part of the Medical Department. A headquarters was established in Singapore but moved to Kuala Lumpur in 1933. The veterinary service was now part of the Ministry of Agriculture.

Designed by Tiara C.D.P. Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

These three 28mm x 38mm stamps showed the various roles of the vet marked the centenary of the introduction of a formal veterinary service:

30c.: A female vet with cat and poultry;

50c.: A vet in protective clothing with raw and prepared food;

RM1: A microscope and apparatus with cows.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Plate numbers (1A x4) and SPM emblems (x4) appear in all four corners of the sheet. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, except for the 30c.,

which was normally inverted. The 50c. was also reported postally used with inverted watermark, and the RM1 also exists with inverted watermark. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

Variety:

The 30c. was known mint with double or triple perforations, probably from a waste sheet.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.25. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Veterinary Services emblem, and a collage of animals and medical equipment.

The first day cover, sold at 20c. mint, featured the Veterinary Services emblem.

The special first day postmark included a hen, cow, cat, flask and syringe.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.9.1	536	525	30c. Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.2	537	526	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.2a	537w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.3	538	527	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.3a	538w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.4	-	MFDC-181	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.4a	-	-	- (1-2,3a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.9.5	-	MPP-181	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 August 1994?**Souvenir Pack - ASEAN Stamp Album (Nature).**

This soft-backed 20-page colour publication in a grey card slip case was probably also issued to coincide with Philakorea. Published by Pos Malaysia, on behalf of all the ASEAN postal administrations, with text in English only, it contained the October 1993 Malaysia Kingfisher issue, together with Brunei Fruits (August 1994), Indonesia Flora and Fauna (November 1993), Philippines Mammals (August 1994), Singapore Orchids (August 1991) and Thailand Mushrooms (July 1993).

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint
94.11.1	-	-	Album.	<input type="checkbox"/>

3 September 1994.**Centenary of Electricity in Peninsular Malaysia.**

The first known electrical installation in West Malaysia was in a tin mine at Rawang in 1894. The first dedicated power station was built at Raub in 1900 by the Raub Australian Gold Mine Co. Ltd. and the first municipal public electrical supply began in Penang on 14 July 1904. (The first public electricity supply in East Malaysia began in Sabah in 1922 and Sarawak in 1923.) The Central Electricity Board of the Federation of Malaya (CEB) was formed in 1949. It was renamed the National Electricity Board of the States of Malaya (NEB) in 1965, transformed into a public corporation (Tenaga Nasional Berhad - TNB) in 1990 and privatised in 1992.

Designed by Mega Dot Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets, one of which had se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheets:

All three designs showed the event emblem. The three 38mm x 28mm stamps additionally showed:

30c.(A): Electricity supply past (cable-laying in a village);

30c.(B): Electricity supply present (illuminated buildings from Kuala Lumpur, including the Kuala Lumpur Tower, houses and a factory);

RM1: Electricity supply future (futuristic townscape).

The two 30c. designs appeared in alternating columns in the sheet.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The phosphor-coated paper gave blue-white fluorescence and yellow-green after-glow. The watermark was Multiple SPM sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The top margin was perforated on the 30c. & RM1. The bottom margin was imperforate on the 30c. Other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a pylon.

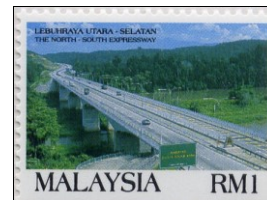
The first day cover, marked 30c. but sold at 20c. mint, featured an aerial view of a power station.

The special first day postmark included the event emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.12.1	539	532	30c.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.12.2	540	533	30c.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.12.3	539a	-	- Se-tenant horizontal pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.12.4	541	534	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.12.5	-	MFDC-183	First day cover (3-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.12.6	-	MPP-183	Presentation pack (3-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8 September 1994.

Official Opening of the North-South Expressway (I).



This issue was due in May 1994, but appeared late. The spread of the motorway network continued remorselessly. The eight-lane toll highway (designed for extension to ten-lane) ran 847.7km from Johore Bahru to Bukit Kayu Hitam, north of Alor Star. Construction began in 1980 and it opened in February 1994. It was opened by the Prime Minister on 8 September 1994. By 2009, it was one of four expressways operated under a concession by Plus Expressways Berhad.

Designed by The Sharper Image Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets. For a similar issue with the Philakorea emblem added, see issue 94.14 below.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm designs showed:

30c.: The Expressway from the air;

50c.: A clover-leaf junction;

RM1: A bridge.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A(x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to left and right of R1 and R10. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally sideways reading up, but the RM1 exists sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2. At least the left and right margins were perforated through.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured dawn, daytime and night views.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the expressway route and a compass.

The special first day postmark included a road junction.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.13.1	542	535	30c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.13.2	543	536	50c. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.13.3	544	537	RM1. Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.13.3a	544w	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.13.4	-	MFDC-184	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.13.5	-	MPP-184	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Official Opening of the North-South Expressway (II) - Philakorea'94 (Unissued [16 August 1994]):



A version of the Expressway issue was prepared with the "Philakorea'94" emblem for sale at that exhibition, but it was not issued, as a result of a delay in the formal opening of the road and thus a delay in releasing the main issue.

Designed by The Sharper Image Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets. For a similar issue without the Philakorea emblem, see issue 94.13 above.

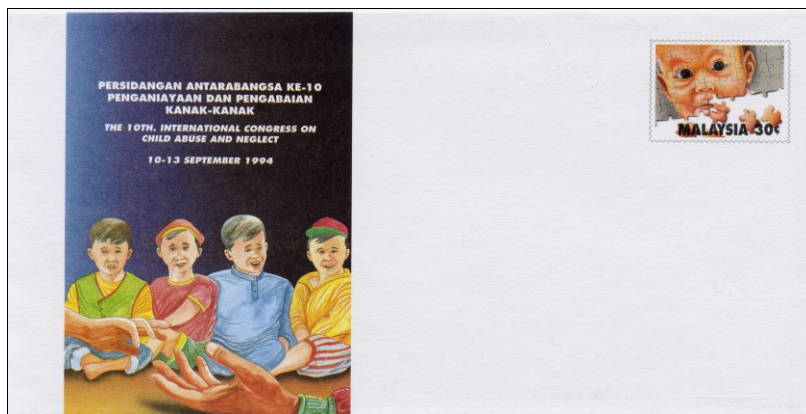
Counter sheets:

Technical details were as for the main issue.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint
94.14.1	footnote	-	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.14.2	footnote	-	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.14.3	footnote	-	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>

10 September 1994.

Envelope - 10th International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect.



(illustration reduced 50%)

The 10th International Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect, organised by the International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN) and hosted by the Malaysian Council for Child Welfare (MCCW) and the Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) Team, was held in Kuala Lumpur from 10 to 13 September 1994.

A 218mm x 108mm postal stationery envelope marked the event. Sold for 70c serviced, the envelope, designed by CD Advertising (M) Sdn. Bhd., showed four happy children and a (neglected, we were told) child's hand reaching out for an adult hand. The envelope was printed by Security Printers (Malaysia). The 30c. "stamp" showed an incomplete jigsaw puzzle of a baby's face. The printed "perforation" measured 13.9.

First day facilities:

The special postmark featured an adult hand reaching out to a child's hand.

Withdrawal:

Unsold remainders were overprinted "URUSAN POS" with a diagonal cross through the "stamp" for use on official mail. Used examples seen have been dated between 3 April 2000 and 13 April 2000.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.15.1	-	PE7	Cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.15.2	-	-	- Overprinted for official use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

22 September 1994.

Installation of 10th King.



The tenth Yang di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia was installed on 22 September 1994. He was the ruler of the Negri Sembilan Federation, Tuanku Ja'afar Ibn Al-Marhum Tuanku Abdul Rahman, a 71 year old diplomat who was the son of the first Yang di-Pertuan Agong.

Designed by Raja Zahabuddin bin Raja Yaacob, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 28mm x 38mm stamps (30c., 50c., RM1) to a common design featured a portrait of Tuanku Ja'afar.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was normally upright, but the 30c. exists inverted, sideways reading up or sideways reading

down. These variations were reported to be on a distinctly different paper with clearer watermark and different shade (greyish instead of yellowish), but the present author has been unable to distinguish the paper shade on mint examples.

Examples exist, used in 1995, on non-fluorescent paper without apparent watermark, possibly from a reprint - No mint example had yet been seen.

The comb perforations measured 12.2. The left margin was perforated through, but the other margins were not recorded.

Variety:

Varieties recorded included:

Value	Variety	Position	Description
30c.	v1	R1-9	A complete sheet of stamps was found with perforation shifts vertically of 7mm, resulting in the "MALAYSIA RM1" appearing at the bottom of all but the last row, instead of at the top.
	v2	R10	The stamps in the bottom row of the above sheet had that text omitted entirely, replaced at the foot by white margin with plate numbers in columns 1 and 10.
RM1	v1	R1-9	A complete sheet of stamps was found with perforation shifts vertically of 7mm, resulting in the "MALAYSIA RM1" appearing at the bottom of all but the last row, instead of at the top.
	v2	R10	The stamps in the bottom row of the above sheet had that text omitted entirely, replaced at the foot by white margin with plate numbers in columns 1 and 10.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a ceremonial badge.

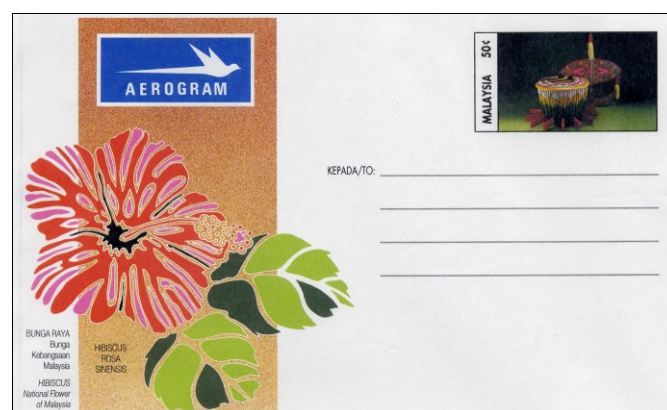
The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured a ceremonial head dress.

The special first day postmark included the coat of arms of Malaysia.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.16.1	545	538	30c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.1a	545w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.1b	545aw	-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.1c	545a	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.1d	545b	-	- No watermark.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.2	546	539	50c. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.3	547	540	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.4	-	MFDC-185	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.16.5	-	MPP-185	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15 October 1994

Aerogramme - Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (III).



(illustration reduced 50%)

This third aerogramme in the Visit Malaysia Year 1994 series was sold at 50c.

Designer (probably Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd.) and printing details were not recorded. The 48mm x 26mm 50c. "stamp" showed a moon kite and rebana drum (this photograph was also used on the first KL'92 postcard - see issue 92.5). It had no simulated perforation. The aerogramme was in Format B¹¹, measuring 212mm x 321mm unfolded, 180mm x 106mm folded. It showed:

Top: Hibiscus (Bunga Raya, *Hibiscus rosa sinensis*), "stamp" and address panel.
 Centre: Woodworker with title "Kerawang" (which translates as fretwork).
 Bottom: Blank.

It was printed on white paper. The paper gave a very low fluorescent reaction and no after-glow under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included the usual Pos Malaysia bird emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.17.1	-	AL14	Aerogramme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.17.1a	-	-	- First day of issue postmark	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

29 October 1994.

XVI Commonwealth Games (I).



The “British Empire Games” began in 1930 at Hamilton, Canada. The 1950 games were renamed the “British Empire and Commonwealth Games”, then the 1966 games took the title “British Commonwealth Games”. The title “Commonwealth Games” was adopted on 27 January 1974. The games were held for ten days every four years.

On 21 July 1992, Malaysia became the first Asian Commonwealth country to successfully bid to host the Commonwealth Games, which were held in Kuala Lumpur, Shah Alam and Langkawi from 11 to 21 September 1998. This was the first Commonwealth Games where team sports were included (cricket, hockey, netball and rugby). The Games emblem was the initials CG98 arranged to form a stylised Hibiscus flower. The games mascot was Wira, a cartoon monkey whose name translates as Hero.

Designed by Limkokwing Integrated Sdn. Bhd., this issue, originally due in August, started a programme of pre-publicity for the games and comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant designs.

Counter sheet:

The two 28mm x 38mm RM1 stamps were printed in columns to form a 85mm x 38mm triplet with two stamps and a central illustrated label in a sheet of 30 (two triplets x 5). The designs showed:

RM1 (A): (Columns 1 and 4) A map of Malaysia and the Games logo;

Label: (Columns 2 and 5) Wira in various sporting poses (rugby, basketball, cricket, hockey).

RM1 (B): (Columns 3 and 6) Wira with medals waving the Malaysian flag.

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were numbers 1A (x4) in top and bottom margins opposite columns 1 and 6, with SPM emblem (x4) in left and right margins opposite R1 and R5. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow) with greenish-cream gum. The Multiple SPM watermark was upright. The comb perforations measured 12.2, all margins being perforated through (see also under Reprint below).

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Sultan Abdul Samad building against city background.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured an elevation of the same building.

The special first day postmark included the Games emblem.

“Collector’s Choice” Pack - Commonwealth Games:

See issue 97.17 in Volume 3.

Reprint:

It was decided in 1998 to issue a Commonwealth Games commemorative album containing all the issues. As insufficient stock remained of this issue, it was reprinted circa 1998 on Harrison paper with bluish gum with perforation 14.3. Although not originally intended for sale over the counter, it was understood that some surplus sheets were released in that way.

Withdrawal:

Remaindered first day covers were handstamped “URUSAN POS” for use on official mail.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.18.1	548	541	RM1 (A). P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.1a	548b	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.18.2	549	542	RM1 (B) P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.2a	549b		- - P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.3	548a	MC-186	Se-tenant triplet (1, Label, 2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.3a	548ba		- (1a, Label, 2a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.4	-	MFDC-186	First day cover (3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.5	-	-	- Handstamped for official use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.18.6	-	MPP-186	Presentation pack (3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10 November 1994.

Official Opening of the Tunku Abdul Rahman Memorial.



The memorial was sited at the Residency in Kuala Lumpur, which was the official residence of this former Prime Minister from 1956 to his retirement in 1970, and which now became a repository of documents relating to him. This issue was postponed from 31 August 1994. It comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

Designed by Tony Teh Ching Seng, the two 38mm x 28mm stamps showed:

30c.: Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra and the Malaysian flag;

RM1: The Residency.

This was the first issue since the 1986 Definitive Issue high values not printed by Security Printers (Malaysia). They were printed in sheets of 100 by Leigh-Mardon using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The phosphor-coated paper gave a pinkish fluorescence but negligible after-glow (which suggests that paper intended for Australian domestic issues, rather than to Malaysian standards, was used). It did not contain any watermark, again for the first time since 1986. The comb perforations measured 14.6.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM2.00. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a Hibiscus emblem.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the Memorial.

The special first day postmark included a stylised hibiscus.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.20.1	550	547	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.20.2	551	548	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.20.3	-	MFDC-188	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.20.4	-	MPP-188	Presentation pack (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

28 November 1994

Envelope - Countryside Vision.



A "Countryside Vision Open Day" was held at Bandar Pusat Jengka in Pahang from 28-29 November 1994 to publicise the vision of an "ideal village". A cover (sold at 30c.) and special postmark were released by Pos Malaysia, but the only reported examples were serviced in Kuching, Sarawak using Pahang stamps!

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.20a.1	-	-	Cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 December 1994

Aerogramme - Visit Malaysia Year 1994 (IV).



(illustration reduced 50%)

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., this fourth aerogramme in the Visit Malaysia Year 1994 format was sold at 50c.. The 48mm x 26mm 50c. "stamp" showed two coconuts, one opened as a cocktail drink, and a hibiscus.

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. The aerogramme was in Format B ¹¹, measuring 210mm x 320mm unfolded, 180mm x 106mm folded. It showed:

Top: Hibiscus (Bunga Raya, *Hibiscus rosa sinensis*), "stamp" and address panel.
 Centre: Satay and the Visit Malaysia Year 1994 emblem.
 Bottom: Blank.

It was printed on white paper with low fluorescent reaction and no after-glow under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The "stamp" had no simulated perforation.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark was a double-ring version of the usual Pos Malaysia bird emblem FDI postmark for aerogrammes.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.21.1	-	AL15	Aerogramme.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.21.1a	-		- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 December 1994

Envelope - 25th Anniversary of the Universiti Sains Malaysia.

The silver jubilee of the Scientific University of Malaysia (Universiti Sains Malaysia) in Penang, the second oldest in Malaysia, was marked by a postal stationery envelope, sold for 70c.

Designed by CD Advertising (M) Sdn. Bhd. and printed by Security Printers (Malaysia), the front of the envelope contained an artistic impression of various buildings associated with the university. The top left of the envelope had a 25th anniversary emblem, incorporating the university coat of arms. To the right of the emblem in Bahasa was text and dates 1969-1994. Below, in Bahasa and English was "Leading And Innovating Towards A Progressive Future". The 30c. "stamp" was a smaller version of the envelope design.

First day facilities:

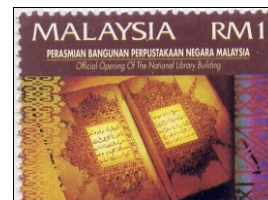
The official handstamp showed the 25th anniversary emblem.

Withdrawal:

Remainders were overprinted URUSAN POS with a diagonal cross through the “stamp” for use on official mail.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.22.1	-	PE8	Cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.22.1a	-	-	- Overprinted for official use.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 December 1994.

Official Opening of the National Library Building.

Originally scheduled for issue on 1 June 1994, these three stamps combine ancient and modern. The new National Library building in Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur had three very attractive roofs based on Malay “tengkolok” ceremonial head dress design around a central courtyard. It was planned as long ago as 1970 and received design approval in 1982. Each roof was covered in different coloured tiles to a traditional songket cloth pattern.

Designed by Image Promotions Sdn. Bhd., the three 38mm x 28mm stamps showed:

30c.: “Architectural magnificence” (The front of the Library Building);

50c.: “Information technology” (desk-top computer);

RM1: “National heritage” (Koran in manuscript Malay).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The paper was phosphor-coated (blue-white fluorescence, yellow-green after-glow). The Multiple SPM watermark was sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 12.2.

First day facilities:

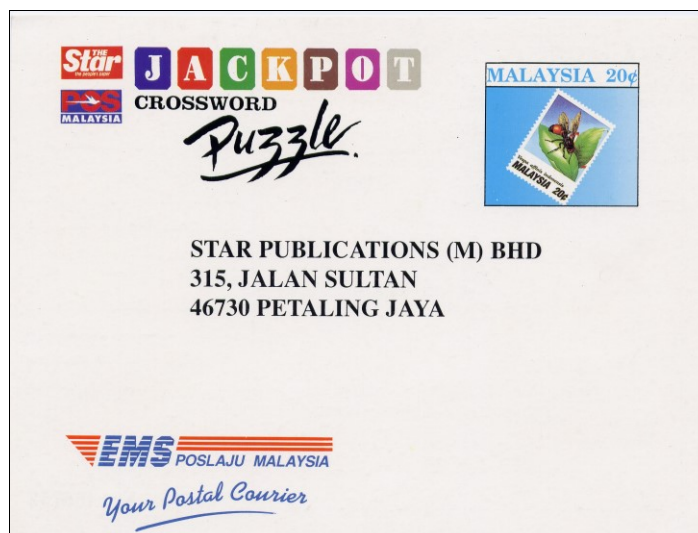
The presentation pack was sold at RM2.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Library building. Remaindered pack envelopes are known handstamped “URUSAN POS” for use on official mail.

The first day cover, sold at 20c., featured the Library building.

The special first day postmark included an open book.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.23.1	552	549	30c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.23.2	553	550	50c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.23.3	554	551	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.23.4	-	MFDC-189	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.23.5	-	MPP-189	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
94.23.5a	-	-	- Envelope handstamped for official mail.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

1994

Postcard - Star Crossword (III).

(illustration reduced 50%)

Another Star Newspaper Jackpot Crossword Puzzle customised postcard with “stamp-on-stamp” postage paid imprint appeared, similar to the Forestry-stamped version issued in 1993. Issued, it is believed, in 1994, it featured a 20c. Insect stamp (see issue 91.3) diagonally in a 41mm x 38mm frame. The front contained the address and “stamp”, the back had spaces to attach crossword solutions and entrant details, as in the case of the 1993 card. The card measured 184mm x 140mm. Cards were numbered (seen in range 455750-455751). It was sold at post offices for 35c.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
94.25.1	-	-	20c. Postcard - Insect.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOTES

- 1 Reported by Mr. N. G. McClaren.
- 2 I.S.C. listed the set of cards as MX4.
- 3 Reported by Mr. M. Case.
- 4 Plate 1A top right block reported by Mr. N. G. McClaren.
- 5 I.S.C. numbered the complete set MX5.
- 6 Shown in error in S.G. Catalogue as sideways watermark.
- 7 Reported by Meng Koon (SPFB).
- 8 Reported by Mr. D. Burrows.
- 9 Also quoted by I.S.C. as 26 February 1993.
- 10 PSM 30/2/101.
- 11 For aerogramme formats, see Section 10 of Chapter 3 in Volume 1.
- 12 S.G. lists an upright watermark as 511, but the status of this entry is not confirmed.
- 13 By 1996, remainders were priced separately at 50s. each.
- 14 I.S.C. listed the set of cards as PC10.
- 15 Offered in Philangles auction 272 22 August 2011, lot 2478.
- 16 Offered in MSG auction March 2009.
- 17 Shown in error as sideways in S.G. catalogue.
- 18 Reported in Straits Times 9 February 1994. Other information gleaned from that article included the fact that Pos Malaysia was expected to show a profit of RM80 million in 1993, compared with RM22 million in 1992. A “Concept 2020” post office was due to open in Jalan Semarak, Kuala Lumpur in March 1994, intended to be a “one-stop shop” for all services, including facsimile. Pos Malaysia were expecting to get a Stock Exchange listing during 1995, assuming there were no unforeseen problems. In Trengganu, there were now only 71 postal agencies, 30 having been closed in a purge on poor standards of service. To make up for the withdrawal of these agencies in remote areas, mobile post office services were to be expanded.
- 19 Offered in the Spink London auction 12 November 2008.
- 20 Reported by Mr. D. R. M. Holley.
- 21 Listed by S.G. but not seen by the author.