

CHAPTER FORTY-TWO
SPECIAL ISSUES 2000.

Note: All illustrations in this chapter are reduced by 10% (50% for sheetlets and stationery) unless otherwise stated.

Presentation Packs and Folders:

From April 2000, the issuing of presentation packs was gradually phased-out in favour of a themed card folder, initially sold at RM5 and later RM6, designed to hold a complete sheet of stamps and a first day cover. I have not listed these items. The sheet size was then reduced from 100 to 20 to tie-in with this marketing idea. It was not until 1009 that the last packs were issued.

1 January 2000.

Celebrate the Millennium (II).



The (early) Millennium celebrations were the justification for new issues on both 31 December and 1 January. The latter issue gave a more contemporary view of Malaysia than the previous day’s issue.

Designed by Peter Chuah P.K., this issue comprised a counter sheet, a sheetlet and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheet:

Each 30mm x 40mm stamp design was numbered for ease of identification. The upper row of five stamps were predominantly brown and showed facets of “The People”:

Stamp	Theme	Subjects
11/20	Sabah and Sarawak.	Kadazan in black costume, Kenyah doing the Ngajat (warrior dance), Kelabit girl, Iban playing a sape (instrument).
12/20	Simple life in Malaysia.	Fisherman carrying net, woman carrying water container, paraffin lantern and shell.
13/20	Health.	Two women, one carrying child waving the Malaysian flag. Doctor tending young patient.
14/20	Patriotism.	Indian, Malay and Chinese young people. Badminton player.
15/20	Cultural diversity.	Indian dancer, East Malaysian (Kenyah?) girl, Moon kite flyer.

The lower row of five stamps were predominantly green and showed facets of “Malaysia’s Achievements”:

Stamp	Theme	Subjects
16/20	Road transport.	Motorway, Proton car and Malaysian-built racing motorcycle.
17/20	Nature and development.	Boeing 747-4H6 airliner over Sepang airport (KLIA) and motor racing circuit (with car), forest, Hibiscus and butterfly.
18/20	Technology.	Kuala Lumpur high-rise buildings showing unidentified tower block, KL Tower, Telekom Tower and Petronas Twin Towers, Measat-1, KLIA Express train.
19/20	Intelligent cities.	Entrance to Prime Minister’s Department Complex (Complex B), Putrajaya, the Putrajaya Landmark, and a person using a computer.
20/20	International commerce - “Ports of Malaysia”.	Ship, container cranes, tug, straddle carriers and Volvo heavy truck.

(Numbers 1/20-10/20 were allocated to the 31 December 1999 issue)

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) by standard four-colour off-set lithography. The sheets had the same format, sheet markings and paper as the 31 December 1999 issue. The paper had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations normally measured 12.8 x 12.6, but 12/20 perf. 12.2 has been reported.¹ The comb was orientated with the teeth of the comb pointing down the sheet. Top, left and right margins were perforated through, the bottom margin was not recorded but was probably perforated through.



Perforated sheetlet:

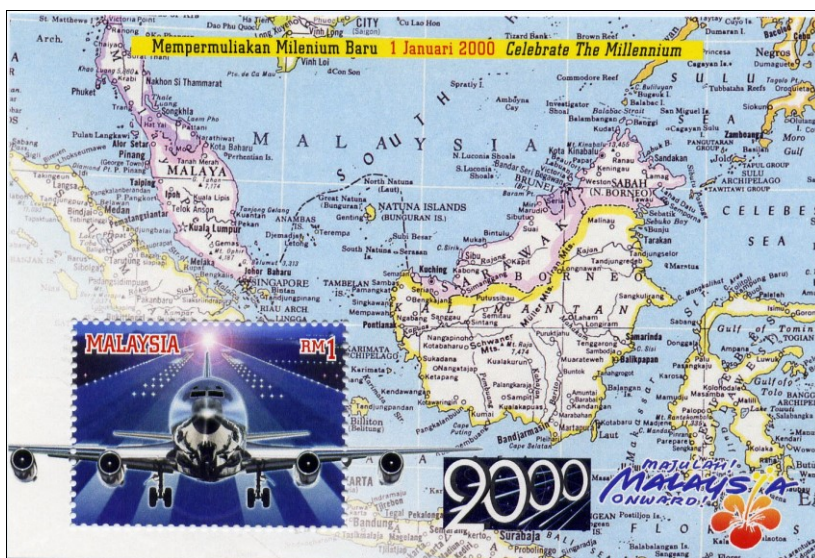
Sold at RM6, the 197mm x 275mm sheetlet contained a pane of twenty stamps (5 x 4) superimposed on an aerial view of Kuala Lumpur by night with the Petronas Twin Towers in the foreground and MEASAT at top right. The same paper was used as for the counter sheets. The paper normally had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The perforations measured 12.8 x 12.6, except that the bottom of the pane was closed with a single line of 12.0. The perforation was applied in five strikes - top and both sides, followed by a single line at the bottom.

Imperforate sheetlet:

A specially-printed 375mm x 324mm imperforate “uncut press sheet” was also sold at RM10. The sheetlet was at the left of the sheet. At the right was a close-up of the clock tower on the Sultan Abdul Samad Building, with explanatory text. The top, left and bottom margins had printing check marks. Those at the left included the SPM colour check emblems. The bottom markings included the PKN emblems and a reference “26.10.99 TM3: (PKN37394)37567-2”, 26 October being, presumably, the printing date.

Miniature sheet:

There was also a 120mm x 80mm miniature sheet portraying a 20th Century map of Malaysia and Borneo with a 40mm x 30mm RM1 stamp showing a head-on view of a Douglas DC8 four-engined jet airliner taking-off. The “Majulah! Malaysia Onward!” Hibiscus emblem appeared on the miniature sheet and all covers, etc. The Harrison paper was as used for the 31 December m/s. The paper normally had watermark multiple SPM upright, but inverted watermarks exist. The perforations normally measured 12.5 x 12.8/12.1. The perforation was applied in two strikes - top, bottom and left, followed by a single line at the right. The sheet also exists imperforate (reported at the time to be in error).



First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM5 and contained a se-tenant block of 10. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a night view of the access road forecourt of KLIA.

There were no less than three first day covers; two (“#1” brown and “#2” green) sold at 20s. each with a bold “Millennium 1.1.2000” inscription for use with the respective strips of five stamps, and a larger one (“#3”), sold at 30s., for use with the miniature sheet and showing a view of Putrajaya from Putra Perdana Park with the top of the Putrajaya Landmark in the foreground, the Modernisation and Planning Study Unit in the left background and the Cabinet Office to the right.

The special first day postmark included a hibiscus flower.

The “Portfolio of 20 Celebration Covers (Limited Edition)”, described under issue 99.27, also covered this issue.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.1.1	840	749	30s. 11/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.1a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.1b	840c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.2	841	750	30s. 12/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.2a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.2b	841c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.3	842	751	30s. 13/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.3a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.3b	842c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.4	843	752	30s. 14/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.4a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.4b	843c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.5	844	753	30s. 15/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.5a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.5b	844c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.6	845	754	30s. 16/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.6a	845b	-	- Perf. 12.8/12.3 x 12.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.6b	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.6c	845c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.7	846	755	30s. 17/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.7a	846b	-	- Perf. 12.8/12.3 x 12.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.7b	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.7c	846c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.8	847	756	30s. 18/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.8a	847b	-	- Perf. 12.8/12.3 x 12.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.8b	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.8c	847c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.9	848	757	30s. 19/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.9a	848b	-	- Perf. 12.8/12.3 x 12.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.9b	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.9c	848c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.10	849	758	30s. 20/20. P.12.8 x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.10a	849b	-	- Perf. 12.8/12.3 x 12.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.10b	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.10c	849c	-	- P.12.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.11	840a	-	Block of 10 (1-10) (from counter sheet or RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.11a	840ab	-	- (1-5, 6a-10a) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.11b	footnote	-	- (1a-5a, 6b-10b) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.11c	-	-	- (1b-5b, 6c-10c) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.12	MS850	MC-249M	RM1 Miniature sheet. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.12a	MS850aw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.12b	MS850b	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.13	-	MC-249SH	RM6 Sheetlet (11 + 11a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.14	footnote	MC-249SHI	RM10 Imperf Sheetlet (Two 11b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.15	-	MFDC-249	First day cover #1. (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.16	-	-	First day cover #2. (6-10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.17	-	MFDC-249M	First day cover #3. (12).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.17a	-	-	- (12a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.1.18	-	-	Presentation Pack (11).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6 January 2000.

Chinese New Year.



Year of the Dragon 2000 was the excuse for the release of a very complex issue, effectively two issues in one.

Designed by Peter Chuah P.K., it comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant strips, two miniature sheets and two sheetlets with se-tenant strips.

Counter sheets:

There were two se-tenant strips of five 30s. stamps each, printed in 35mm square, diamond format with the top of the design at the top left of the stamp when viewed in the sheet. Each stamp was numbered. The first five designs showed artefacts. The other five designs showed varieties of a “living fossil” fish, the Arowana.

Number	English Description	Malay Name (on stamp)
2000(1)	Slender neck glazed earthenware vase showing phoenix and dragon (New Stone Age).	Vas Tembikar.
2000(2)	Green dragon-patterned eaves tile c.100 BC (Western Han dynasty 206-225 BC).	Genting Penukup Cucur Atap.
2000(3)	Gilt bronze dragon head knocker base salvaged from the Daming Palace of the Tang c.800 AD (Tang dynasty 618-907 AD).	Tapak Penghentak Pintu.
2000(4)	Jade Sword head with carved dragons c.200 BC (Han Barat dynasty).	Hulu Pedang Jed.
2000(5)	Gilt bronze dragon statue c.700 AD (Tang dynasty).	Patung Naga Tembaga.

Number	English Name	Malay Name	Latin Name
2000(6)	Silver Belt Arowana (South America)	Arowana perak	<i>Osteoglossum bicirrhosum</i>
2000(7)	Spotted Barramundi (Australia)	-	<i>Scleropages leichardti</i>
2000(8)	Scarlet Arowana or Asian Bonytongue	Arowana asia merah	<i>Scleropages formosus</i>
2000(9)	Black Belt Arowana (South America)	Arowana hitam	<i>Osteoglossum ferrieri</i>
2000(10)	Golden Arowana or Asian Bonytongue	Arowana asia emas	<i>Scleropages formosus</i>

The stamps were printed in sheets of 50 (10 x 5) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The contemporary literature was unclear but it would appear that there were three sheet formats, all-fish, all-artefacts and alternate strips se-tenant in the sheet, the last being specially produced to make up presentation packs.

Sheet markings included (positions assume top of stamp at top left) SPM emblems (x4) in left and right margins, 1A (x4) above and below column 10. To the right of rows 1 and 5 there were Chinese characters in red on fish sheets and black on artefacts sheets. The issue title in Bahasa, “Merayakan Tahun Naga”, appeared above columns 4-7. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a strong yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM with top to bottom right (when viewed as diamond) or sideways reading down (when viewed in sheet). The comb perforations measured 13.2.



Perforated sheetlets:

Two RM6 souvenir sheets were issued, one for each sub-set, each containing four horizontal strips of five stamps at the top, with a bilingual text similar to that used in the first day cover:

- (A): Artefacts sheet (*illustrated*) incorporating an illustration of a 300 years old “dragon mummy”;
- (B): Arowana sheet (*not illustrated*) incorporating an illustration of the Northern Barramundi (*Scleropages jardini*).

Minor colour variations exist. The stamps were perforated 13.2 except the bottom line, which was 12.1 or 14.1 or 14.4.

Imperforated sheetlets:

Two specially-printed imperforated “uncut press sheets” of the (A) artefacts and (B) fish sheetlets were sold at RM10 each. They were the RM6 sheets with an additional explanatory text panel at the right, plus the printer’s sheet markings at top and left.

The panel on sheet (A) explained the dragon dance, while the panel on sheet (B) explained the tradition of dotting the dragon’s eye.

The sheets were dated with reference “09.11.99 TM2:(PKN37705)37705-1” (fish) “09.11.99 TM2:(PKN37705)37705-2” (artefacts) at the top left and SPM emblems (x4) appeared in the left margin.

Miniature sheets:

There were two 121mm x 65mm miniature sheets, showing:

- (A): A Dragon Dance;
- (B): The Dragon Boat Races held on the fifth day of the fifth moon each summer in honour of Jin (Third Century BC Chinese patriot).

In both cases, the dragon’s head was perforated to form a 35mm square RM1 stamp.

The printer and paper were as used for the sheet stamps. The paper had



watermark Multiple SPM upright on the dragon boat m/s and inverted on the dragon dance m/s. The perforations measured 13.2.



First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM5 and contained a se-tenant block of 10 including both fish and artefacts. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a Chinese character and a dragon.

There were two first day covers, sold at 30s. Cover A, intended for the artefacts stamps and dragon dance miniature sheet, featured a golden Chinese zodiac sky map. Cover B, intended for the fish stamps and dragon boat miniature sheet, featured a Chinese lantern and a brush painted Chinese dragon in rainbow hues.

The special first day postmark was fan-shaped. There was also a two-line handstamp "SETAHUB MEWAH MELIMPAH RUAH" (which roughly translates as "Have a year of overflowing prosperity") above the same message in Chinese characters which was applied to most, but not all, Kuala Lumpur first day covers.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.2.1	851	759	30s.(1). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.1a	851e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.1b	851c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.1c	851d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.1d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.2	852	760	30s.(2). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.2a	852e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.2b	852c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.2c	852d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.2d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.3	853	761	30s.(3). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.3a	853e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.3b	853c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.3c	853d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.3d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.4	854	762	30s.(4). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.4a	854e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.4b	854c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.4c	854d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.4d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.5	855	763	30s.(5). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.5a	855e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.5b	855c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.5c	855d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.5d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.6	856	764	30s.(6). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.6a	856e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.6b	856c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.6c	856d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.6d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.7	857	765	30s.(7). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.7a	857e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.7b	857c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.7c	857d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.7d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.8	858	766	30s.(8). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.8a	858e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.8b	858c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.2.8c	858d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.8d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.9	859	767	30s.(9). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.9a	859e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.9b	859c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.9c	859d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.9d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.10	860	768	30s.(10). P.13.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.10a	860e	-	- P.13.2/12.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.10b	860c	-	- P.13.2/14.1 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.10c	860d	-	- P.13.2/14.4 x 13.2 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.10d	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.11	851a	-	Se-tenant strip (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.11a	-	-	- (1a-5a) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.11b	851ca	-	- (1b-5b) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.11c	-	-	- (1c-5c) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.11d	-	-	- (1d-5d) (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.12	856a	-	Se-tenant strip (6-10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.12a	-	-	- (6a-10a) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.12b	856ca	-	- (6b-10b) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.12c	-	-	- (6c-10c) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.12d	-	-	- (6d-10d) (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.13	851b	-	Se-tenant block (1-10) (from presentation pack).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.14	MS861(a) ²	MC-250M	RM1 miniature sheet (A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.15	MS861(b)	-	RM1 miniature sheet (B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.16	-	MC-250SH	RM6 sheetlet (three 11 + 11a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.16a	-	-	- (three 11 + 11b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.16b	-	-	- (three 11 + 11c).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.17	-	-	- (three 12 + 12a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.17a	-	-	- (three 12 + 12b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.17b	-	-	- (three 12 + 12c).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.18	-	MC-250SHI	RM10 uncut sheetlet (A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.19	-	-	RM10 uncut sheetlet (B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.20	-	³	First day cover A. (11).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.21	-	⁴	- (14) .	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.22	-	-	First day cover B (12).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.23	-	-	- (15).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.2.24	-	-	Presentation pack. (13).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2 February 2000.**Envelope - Kota Kinabalu City.**

(Illustration not available at the time of going to press)

Two prepaid envelopes were issued to mark the raising of Kota Kinabalu to the status of a city. They were designed by K. Y. Lim of Reign Associates. The imprinted "stamp" designs reflected the cover illustration. Further details are not available.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.3.1	-	PE24	RM1 envelope (A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.3.2	-	PE25	RM1 envelope (B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19 February 2000.**World Table Tennis Championships - Dawei 2000.**

Table Tennis (Ping Pong in Malay) is thought to have begun in the USA c.1887. The first World Championship was held in London in December 1926 under the auspices of the newly formed (15 January 1926) International Table Tennis Federation. It became an Olympic Sport in 1987. The 45th World Championships were scheduled for Belgrade in 1999

but were reallocated due to the political situation there. The individual events took place in the Netherlands in August 1999 and the team championships in Stadium Putra, Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur from 19 to 26 February 2000. About 100 of the (then) 185 member countries were expected to take part. The Malaysian event mascot was a tiger, which appeared in most material together with the more formal games emblem, stylised players in red and blue.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm show:

30s.: Two bats, one with the Malaysian flag, the other the tiger mascot, the Earth from space and an arrow pointing to Malaysia;

50s.: Globe and mascot;

RM1 (A): Bats and ball.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. It had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations normally measured 13.8 x 13.6. The 30s. and 50s. also exist perforated 14.3. All margins were perforated through on 13.8 x 13.6.

Imperforate sheets:

Imperforate sheets of 100 30s. were also offered for sale at face. Technical details as for normal counter sheets.

Miniature sheet:

There was also a 101mm x 70mm RM2 miniature sheet containing a horizontal pair of similar RM1 stamps. The composite stamp design showed:

RM1 (B): The mascot (left);

RM1 (C): Bats and games emblem (right);

while the background showed the two trophies. It had watermark multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations normally measured 14.2 x 14.3 (perforated in three operations using two comb cuts perforating top, left and bottom, finished with a single line at right).



Variety:

One variety has been reported:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
30s.	v1	?	Vertical perforations misplaced to the left, passing through "3" of "30". ⁵

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a colour negative of a player and ball tracks, with the team trophies on the back.

The large (216mm x 139mm) first day cover, sold at 30s., featured hands holding bat and ball, the event emblem and six bats in different colours. The mascot appeared on the back.

The special first day postmark included a bat and ball.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.4.1	862	769	30s. P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.1a	862a	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.1b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.2	863	770	50s. P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.2a	863a	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.3	864	771	RM1 (A). P.13.8 x 13.6 (from counter sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.4	-	-	RM1 (B) (from miniature sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.5	-	-	RM1 (C) (from miniature sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.6	MS865	MC-251M	RM2 miniature sheet (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.7	-	MFDC-251	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.7a	-	-	-(1, 2a, 3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.7b	-	-	-(1, 2a, 3a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.7c	-	-	-(1a, 2a, 3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.4.7d	-	-	-(1b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.8	-	MFDC-251M	-(6).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.9	-	MPP-251	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.4.9a	-	-	-(1a, 2-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26 February 2000.

Celebrate the Millennium (III).

Sub-titled “Spirit of the New Malaysian”, this issue highlights major achievements by individual citizens.

Designed by Peter Chuah P. K., this issue comprises two 120mm x 80mm miniature sheets for general issue and two issued only in a package to purchasers of a related book.

General issue sheets:

Sheet #1 showed Mount Everest and a map of the North Pole. It contained three 40mm x 31mm 50s. stamps, which showed:

50s.(A): M. Magendran and N. Mohandras displaying the Malaysian flag at the summit of Everest on 23 May 1997;

50s.(B): Gerald Malcolm Read and Justine Maurice Read at the North Pole on 19 April 1999 having walked 110km to the Pole in 11 days;

50s.(C): 52 years old “Flying Grandpa” Abdul Rahim Dahalan and other members of a team 23 Malaysian parachutists who dropped on the Pole on 21 April 1998, together with their Proton team car and the Malaysian flag.

Sheet #2 showed a Lockheed C130H Hercules transport aircraft of RMAF flight Alfa-662, a seascape and map of the world on a projection centred at the North Pole. The single 40mm x 31mm stamp (50s.(D)) showed 41 years old solo yachtsman Datuk Azhar Mansor and his RM2 million yacht “Jalur Gemilang”. He circumnavigated the world against the prevailing winds and tides (East to West) in 190 days between 2 February 1999 and 11 August 1999.

The aircraft’s claim to fame was a marathon five-day round-the-world rescue mission starting on 8 May 1999 from Subang to Australia to fetch a replacement main mast and take it to the Falkland Islands after the original was broken attempting to round Cape Horn.

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The perforations measured 12.1, applied in four operations using three comb cuts perforating top, left and bottom, finished with a single line at right on Sheet #1, or in two operations using one comb cut perforating top, left and bottom, finished with a single line at right on Sheet #2.

Variety:

One variety has been reported:

Sheet	No.	Variety
#2	v1	Sheet passed through the comb perforator twice, once with the sheet inverted.

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

There were two dedicated first day covers, each sold at 30s., featuring:

Cover 1: Climbers with Mount Everest in background;



Cover 2: The routes taken by the yacht and aircraft on a world map.
The special first day postmark included a “thumbs-up” sign.

Sail-in for the Third Millennium:

(Illustration not available at the time of going to press)

A hard-back book entitled “Sail-in for the Third Millennium” was put on sale the same date for RM35. The poster advertising this book could not decide on its issue date. It showed 26.2.2000 in two places and 20.2.2000 in three! A late change must have occurred.

Two pre-serviced souvenir covers with miniature sheets were produced as “gifts” to purchasers of this book. Both showed a sailing ship in space approaching the Moon (a motif used by several authors based on the earliest recorded space-travel science fiction, the *Vera Historia* by Greek writer Lucian of Samosata (*fl.* AD 125-180)). Each sheet contained an RM5 stamp and se-tenant label.

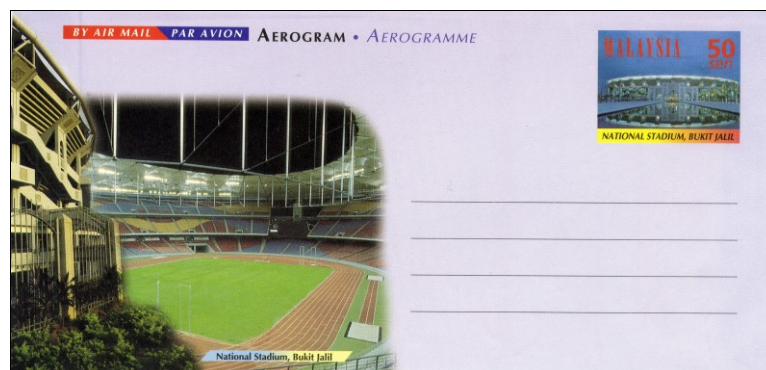
In sheet #1, the stamp and label showed constellations of stars lined up to represent maps of West and East Malaysia.

In sheet #2, the stamp showed the ship while the label showed the Majulah Malaysia Onward emblem.
Further details are not available.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.5.1	-	-	50s.(A) (from miniature sheet #1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.2	-	-	50s.(B) (from miniature sheet #1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.3	-	-	50s.(C) (from miniature sheet #1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.4	MS866(b)	MC-252M	50s.(D). miniature sheet (Sheet #2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.5	MS866(a)	-	RM1.50 miniature sheet (Sheet #1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.6	-	MFDC-252M	First day cover (1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.7	-	-	- (2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.8	-	-	Souvenir cover with RM5 m/s #1.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.5.9	-	-	- #2.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 March 2000

Aerogramme - Sport (II) - National Sports Complex.



This aerogramme continues the sporting theme with views of various sports installations at Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur.

By an uncredited designer, it was sold at 50s. and the front showed the National Stadium, Bukit Jalil. The centre panel showed the National Hockey Stadium and the Putra Stadium, while the bottom panel showed three inset views of the National Aquatic Centre, the National Squash Centre and the Putra Stadium on a faint background of a night scene. The 38mm x 29mm “stamp” had a face value of 50s. and showed the exterior of the National Stadium. The aerogramme was in Format B⁶, measuring 236mm x 317mm unfolded, 203mm x 103mm folded. It was printed on white paper with a pale lilac, printed overlay on the outer panels. The paper gave no significant reactions under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The “stamp” had no simulated perforation.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included a stylised view of the National Stadium.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.6.1	-	AL31	50s. aerogramme.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.6.1a	-	-	- First day of issue postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 March 2000.

2nd Global Knowledge Conference.



Organised by the Global Knowledge Partnership (GKP) and hosted by the Malaysian Government, the Second Global Knowledge Conference (GKII) was held in Kuala Lumpur from 7 to 10 March 2000. On the theme of “Building Knowledge Societies”, the conference brings public and private sector delegates together to discuss measures to extend the benefits of information technology to developing countries and the world’s poor.

Designed by Peter Chuah P. K., this issue comprised two counter sheets, both containing se-tenant triplets.

Counter sheets:

Each triplet comprised two 28mm x 38mm stamps and a stamp-sized promotional label, all with an overall background of a circuit board (30s.) or binary code (50s.). The stamps showed:

- 30s.(A): A mesh-drawing hand starting ripples in the pool of knowledge;
- 30s.(B): A mesh-drawing globe with an eye beyond;
- 50s.(A): Female head outline full of words;
- 50s.(B): Male head outline full of words.

The labels showed the event emblem, title and date.

They were printed in sheets of 20 stamps and 10 labels (2 triplets x 5) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 6, SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 5, a hand holding a computer mouse appeared to the left and right of row 3 (solid on 30s., mesh on 50s.) and event title appeared in Bahasa above columns 2-3 or English above columns 4-5, with the event emblem above 3-4. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.8 or 14.3, perforated through all margins. The 30s. was normally the former perforation and the 50s. the latter.

Cancelled-to-order:

Some sheets were pre-printed as cancelled-to-order, or pre-cancelled with a device consisting of the upper part of the postmark only, giving realistic-looking grey first day postmarks tying the stamps to the labels. In the bottom row, they stopped short at the bottom of the stamp leaving a half-chop and blank margin!

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a hand, mouse and concentric circles.

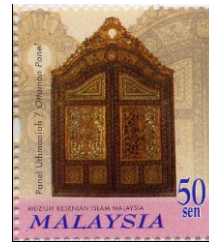
The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured elements of the stamp designs and the promotional emblem.

The special first day postmark included a hand holding a mouse.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.7.1	867	772	30s.(A) P.13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.1a	867b	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.2	868	773	30s.(B) P.13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.2a	868b	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.3	867a	-	Se-tenant triplet (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.3a	867ba	-	- (1a-2a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.4	869	774	50s.(A) P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.4a	869b	-	- P.13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.5	870	775	50s.(B) P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.5a	870b	-	- P.13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.6	869a	-	Se-tenant triplet (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.6a	870ba	-	- (4a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.7	-	M-253	First day cover (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.7a	-	-	- (3a, 6).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.7.8	-	MPP-243	Presentation Pack (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6 April 2000.

Islamic Arts Museum.



Officially opened on 12th December 1998, the Islamic Arts Museum in Kuala Lumpur was co-sponsored by the Malaysian Government and the Albukhary Foundation to protect and preserve works of arts for educational and cultural purposes. It had 270,000 ft² of display space, plus visitor facilities and gardens.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd, this issue comprised four counter sheets and a sheetlet.

Counter sheets:

The four 29mm x 34mm designs showed details from the design of the building:

20s.: An inverted dome in the ceiling of the museum;

30s.: Design on the exterior of the main dome of the museum. Type I, found in the counter sheet, has the central ornament in outline, filled with black;

50s.: A panel in the Ottoman Room;

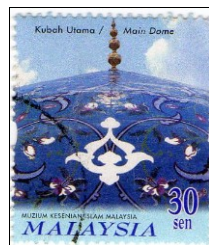
RM1: Detail of The Mihrab in the "Arts of the Mosque" Section.

They were printed in sheets of 100 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The Tullis Russell phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright, but the 50s. exists inverted, used on first day cover from Kuala Lumpur Bureau. Two variations of the watermark exist on the RM1. The normal had the watermark clear and 7mm high. More unusually, the watermark was less distinct and 6mm high. It was likely that this was caused by inadequate pressure on the dandy roll during paper making and has not been given a separate listing. The comb perforations measured 13.8 x 13.6, with a triple-size elliptical perforation at the mid-point of the vertical sides.

Sheetlet:

The sheetlet for this issue was sold perforated at RM6 or imperforate at RM10. It contained two blocks of ten 30s. Type II, which differs from Type I in the counter sheet in shade, design detail and in that parts of the design were picked out in gold, making it a five-colour off-set lithographic printing and showing the central ornament in solid gold.

A floral pattern background was applied to the sheet and inset illustrations included an aerial view of the museum and an internal view looking up at a dome. The same paper and perforation were used. Five colour blocks and an alignment "target" appeared in the bottom margin.



Single stamps from the sheetlet. Normal (left) or gold omitted (right). (Right-hand illustration courtesy Mr. J. Hawes).



Variety:

The following variety has been reported:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
30s.	v1	All?	(Sheetlet) Gold omitted ⁷ (illustrated above)
	v2	C5	(Sheetlet) Extra vertical line of perforations passing through last "A" of "MALAYSIA" and 2mm low in column 5. ⁸

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a dish, a window and what may be the interior of a dome.

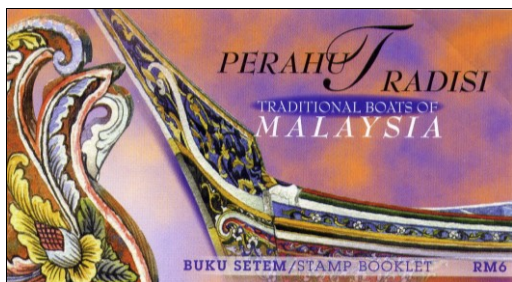
The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the entrance and detail of a decoration.

The special first day postmark included a maze pattern.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.8.1	871	776	20s. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.2	872	777	30s. Wmk. U. Type I, from counter sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.3	872a	-	- Type II, from sheetlet. Perforated.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.3a	footnote	-	- - Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.4	873	778	50s. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.4a	873w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.5	874	779	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.6	-	MC-254SH	RM6 sheetlet. Perforated (twenty 3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.7	-	MC-254SHI	- Imperforate (twenty 3a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.8	-	MFDC-254	First day cover (1, 2, 4, 5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.8a	-	-	- (1, 2, 4a, 5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.8.9	-	MPP-254	Presentation Pack (1, 2, 4, 5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

15 April 2000.

Booklet - Traditional boats.



(Booklet cover reduced 33%)



A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B
C	D	B	A	D	C	A	B	C	D

Traditional wooden fishing boats from the East Coast of Malaya form the basis of this issue.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., the RM6 booklet contained a pane of twenty 30mm x 25mm 30s. stamps in four designs:

- 30s.(A) Perahu Buatan Barat ("Mock European" Boat);
- 30s.(B) Perahu Payang (Net Fishing boat) with ornate hull decoration;
- 30s.(C) Perahu Payang with predominantly green hull;
- 30s.(D) Perahu Burung (Bird boat).

The boats were portrayed on a beach with background views of detail.

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography in sheets (probably of 100) and assembled into booklets by hand using the left-hand selvedge. Sheet markings included SPM emblems (x4) in the left margin of booklets from the top or bottom of the sheet (top in row 1, bottom in row 2). Plate numbers were probably above and below the left and right columns at the top or bottom of the sheet, but would have been removed when making up the booklets. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 14.0 x 13.6.

First day facilities:

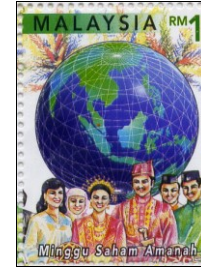
The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the bird's head prow of the Perahu Burung.

The special first day postmark included a boat.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.9.1	875	-	30s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.2	876	-	30s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.3	877	-	30s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.4	878	-	30s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.5	-	-	Se-tenant block of four (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.6	SB10 ⁹	SB93	RM6 Booklet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.9.7		MSBF93	First day cover (5 or strip of 1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20 April 2000.

Unit Trust Week.



The first national unit trust scheme, Amanah Saham Nasional (ASN), was launched in 1981. In 1999, the Prime Minister designated 20 April as the first day of the annual national “Unit Trust Week”, promoted by Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB), Malaysia’s leading investment institution, with the intention of educating the public in the benefits of the unit trust form of investment. In 2000, the event was held from 20 to 24 April at the Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

Designed by Orient Communications Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 28mm x 38mm designs showed:

30s.: The ASN emblem and women with national flags in the foreground;

50s.: Kuala Lumpur skyline at dusk (including the Petronas Twin Towers) and women in traditional costumes;

RM1: Globe showing south east Asia and men and women in traditional Malay dress.

Bunga mangar (palm blossom, commonly used as a bridal bouquet) appeared in the top background of all three stamps. Although not immediately obvious, the three stamps form a composite design.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included “Minggu Salam Amanah” above columns 5 and 6, 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had no watermark (contrary to publicity material). The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.8 (all values) or 14.3 (30s., 50s.). All margins were perforated through.

First day facilities:

Unusually, there was no presentation pack.¹⁰ This subsequently became the norm.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the ASN emblem.

The special first day postmark included a stylised sun.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.10.1	879	780	30s. P. 13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.1a	879a	-	- P. 14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.2	880	781	50s. P. 13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.2a	880a	-	- P. 14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.3	881	782	RM1. P. 13.6 x 13.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.4	-	MFDC-255	First day cover. (1a, 2, 3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.10.4a	-	-	- (1a, 2a, 3)	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

27 April 2000

Aerogramme - New Technology (IV) - Putrajaya.



This aerogramme showed artists' impressions of the new city, Putrajaya, which had been built to house the Federal administrative offices hitherto based in Kuala Lumpur. The artist and printer were uncredited.

It was sold at 50s. and showed:

Front: An overall view of the Federal Government Administrative Centre with insets showing the Putra Mosque and Putra Bridge;

Centre: The residential area, Learning Centre and Multi-purpose Hall;

Bottom: Views of the Fire and Rescue Department Headquarters, Putrajaya Hospital and Police Headquarters.

The 38mm x 30mm "stamp" had a face value of 50s. and showed the Perdana Putra Building (the Prime Minister's Office Complex). The aerogramme was in Format B⁶, measuring 235mm x 317mm unfolded, 201mm x 100mm folded. It was printed on white paper with a deep cream, printed overlay on one side. The paper gave no significant reactions under ultra-violet light. There was no watermark. The "stamp" had no simulated perforation.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included a view of the back of the Prime Minister's Complex.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.11.1	-	AL32	50s. aerogramme.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.11.1a			- First day of issue postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

11 May 2000.

Thomas and Uber Cups.



From 11 to 21 May 2000, the Putra Stadium in Bukit Jalil, Kuala Lumpur was the host for badminton's Thomas (male) and Uber (female) Cup international championships. Malaysia had won the Thomas Cup five times (1949, 1952, 1955, 1967, 1992), the last being marked by issue 92.6.

Designed by Peter Chuah P. K., this issue comprised one counter sheet with se-tenant stamps and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

Originally announced as comprising 30s., 50s. and RM1 stamps, the issue emerged as a se-tenant horizontal strip of five 30s. stamps. The 40mmx 30mm stamps showed respectively from left to right:

30s.(A): A male player making a "forehand flick" and event emblem;

30s.(B): The Thomas Cup and flags of the eight finalists (Malaysia, Indonesia, South Korea, China, India, Sweden, Denmark, United Kingdom). The cup incorporated a reflection of mascot "BAMbee".

30s.(C): The event emblem and BAMbee;

30s.(D): The Uber Cup and flags of the eight finalists (Malaysia, South Korea, Indonesia, China, Japan, Sweden, Denmark, Netherlands). The cup incorporated a reflection of the event emblem;

30s.(E): Female player executing a "backhand drive" and BAMbee.

They were printed in sheets of 50 (strip of 5 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. At the right of the sheet was a panel showing the cups, 1992's winning squad and the results of the finals of both cups since their inceptions. Other sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 5, SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10, Thomas Cup to the left and right of row 4, BAMbee to the left and right of row 5, Uber Cup to the left and right of row 6 and event emblem to the left and right of row 7. A shuttle cock appeared above and below column 3. The event title appeared above and below column 2 and the date and venue column 4, the top margin markings being in Bahasa and the bottom margin ones in English. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 12.1 or 12.6 x 12.8. The top, left- and right-hand margins were perforated through. The broad right-hand margin was perforated into once in order to complete the last row of stamps and once more, but the perforations stopped short of the extreme right-hand sheet edge.

Imperforate sheets

Sheets as above, but imperforate, were sold at face.

Miniature sheet:

The 120mm x 81mm miniature sheet showed a male player making a "smash" with Malaysian supporters in the background. The years of Malaysia's past victories appeared at the top. The inset 30mm x 41mm RM1 stamp showed the Thomas Cup on a background of the flags of the finalists. The paper was the same as used for counter sheets but had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The perforations measured 12.8 (top) / 12.1 (bottom) x 12.6 or, less commonly, 12.1 all round.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 30s., featured racket, shuttlecock and male player making a forehand smash. The special first day postmark included a shuttlecock.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.12.1	882b	-	30s.(A) Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.1a	882	783	- Perf. 12.6 x 12.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.1b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.2	883b	-	30s.(B) Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.2a	883	784	- Perf. 12.6 x 12.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.2b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.3	884b	-	30s.(C) Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.3a	884	785	- Perf. 12.6 x 12.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.3b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.4	885b	-	30s.(D) Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.4a	885	786	- Perf. 12.6 x 12.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.4b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.5	886b	-	30s.(E) Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.5a	886	787	- Perf. 12.6 x 12.8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.5b	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.6	882ba	-	Se-tenant strip (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.6a	882a	MC-256	- (1a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.6b	footnote	-	- (1b-5b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.7	MS887	MC-256M	M/S. Perf. 12.8 (top) / 12.1 (bottom) x 12.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.7a	MS887a	-	- Perf. 12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.8	-	MFDC-256	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.8a	-	-	- (6a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.12.9	-	MFDC-256M	- (7).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
00.12.9a	-	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

25 May 2000.

Souvenir envelopes - 8th Malaysian Games.



Envelope A.

Envelope B.



The 8th Malaysian Games were held in Penang from 25 May to 3 June 2000. The advertising name “SUKMA VIII” was a pun in Bahasa Malaysia, derived from “Sukan Malaysia VIII”. “Sukma” was the Bahasa word for “Soul”. By an uncredited designer, this issue comprised two different RM1.30 postal stationery envelopes.

Both designs showed athletes engaged in a variety of sports:

Envelope A: Diving, rings, sprinting, rugby, basketball, football, lawn tennis, badminton, netball, shot-put, cycling, golf, hurdling, archery;

Envelope B: Yachting, bowls, hockey, ten-pin, weightlifting, karate, volleyball, sepak raga, ribbon, table tennis, rowing, cricket, boxing.

Each cover carries a 35mm x 50mm RM1 “stamp” impression showing:

Envelope A: Penang Bridge and the event emblem;

Envelope B: The event mascot (two parrot cheer-leaders) and the event emblem.

These had printed “perforations” 11.3 x 11.2. Printer and printing details were not recorded. The unwatermarked fluorescent paper gave a blue-white fluorescent reaction without after-glow under ultra-violet light.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included a Pinang palm (*Areca catechu*) frond.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
00.13.1	-	PE26	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.13.1a	-	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.13.2	-	PE27	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.13.2a	-	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 June 2000.

Traditional Children's Games (I).



Designed by Ad Integrated Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet, a sheetlet and a pack of postal stationery cards.

Counter sheet:

The five 28mm x 38mm designs form a se-tenant horizontal strip across the full width of the sheet. The designs showed young children at play:

30s.(A): Hopscotch (ting-ting);

30s.(B): Dry sledging (tarik upih);

30s.(C): Kite-flying (layang-layang);

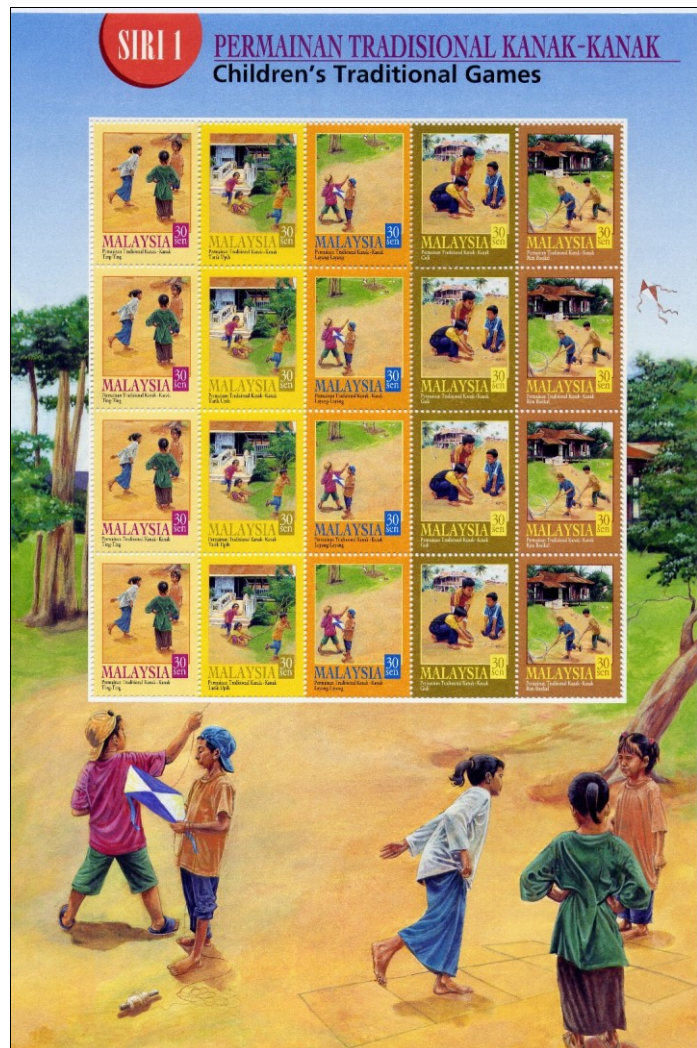
30s.(D): Marbles (guli);

30s.(E): Bicycle rim hoop-la (rim basikal).

They were printed in sheets of 50 (5 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 5 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of top and bottom rows. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.8 or 14.3.

Sheetlet:

The 182mm x 275mm sheetlet, sold for RM6, contained a block of 20 stamps in four horizontal se-tenant strips of five. The background picture was a larger artwork of children at play incorporating stamp designs A and C. The watermark was Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The perforations normally measured 13.6 x 13.8. Sheets were also produced perf. 14.3 except for the bottom row which was closed by line perf. 14.1 or 13.8.



Pre-stamped greetings letter cards:

A unique (at the time of writing) feature of this issue is what, at first sight, looks like a kitchen calendar. In reality, it was a pack of five different 140mm x 310mm pre-stamped greetings cards, ring-bound with looped white wire through square-punched holes at the top of the card.

Each card was creased at 164mm from the top and rouletted 13mm from the top, which allowed cards to be torn from the pack and folded to form 140mm x 151mm cards for posting. Closure was rudimentary - instead of gum, the user was expected just to put the bottom end of the card into a crescent-shaped cut near the top of the card.

The abstract design used on the first day covers (but in different colours) appeared on the back of the card with "Kad / Ucapan / Greetings Card", whilst the front showed an element of that design plus one of the five stamps, with simulated "perforation" 12.9 x 13.3. There were five lines for the address. On the inner side, the design from the back was repeated without the words on the top half with eight lines for a greeting below.

**First day facilities:**

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured kite-flying and marbles.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured an abstract design of children at play.

The special first day postmark included a kite.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.14.1	888	788	30s.(A). P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.1a	893	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.1b	888b	-	- P.14.3. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.1c	893b	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.1d	893c	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.1e	893d	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2	889	789	30s.(B). P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2a	894	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2b	889b	-	- P.14.3. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2c	894b	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2d	894c	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.2e	894d	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3	890	790	30s.(C). P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3a	895	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3b	890b	-	- P.14.3. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3c	895b	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3d	895c	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.3e	895d	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4	891	791	30s.(D). P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4a	896	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4b	891b	-	- P.14.3. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4c	896b	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4d	896c	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.4e	896d	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5	892	792	30s.(E). P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5a	897	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5b	892b	-	- P.14.3. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5c	897b	-	- - Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5d	897c	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.5e	897d	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3. Wmk. SD (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6	888a	MC-257	Se-tenant strip of five (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6a	893a	-	- (1a-5a) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6b	888ba	-	- (1b-5b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6c	893ba	-	- (1c-5c) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6d	893ca	-	- (1d-5d) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.6e	893da	-	- (1e-5e) (from sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.7	-	MC-257SH	RM6 sheetlet. P.13.6 x 13.8. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.7a	-	-	- P.14.3/14.1 x 14.3 Wmk. SD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.7b	-	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3 Wmk. SD	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.14.8	-	MFDC-257	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.8a	-	-	- (6b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.9	-	MPP-257	Presentation pack (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.9a	-	-	- (6b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.10	-	-	Greetings Card - Ring-bound book of five (11-15).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.11	-	-	- Detached card (Design A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.12	-	-	- - (Design B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.13	-	-	- - (Design C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.14	-	-	- - (Design D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.14.15	-	-	- - (Design E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26 June 2000.

27th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

The 27th session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM) of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) was held in Kuala Lumpur from 27 to 30 June 2000 at the Palace of Golden Horses Hotel. The fifth session was also held in Malaysia in 1974 but was not marked by stamps. The Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) was established on 25 September 1969 in Rabat, Morocco to unify the Islamic countries' response to events in Israel. Its role was then expanded to cover all aspects of political, cultural and economic co-operation. In 2000, the organisation had 56 member states and 700 nominated delegates, in addition to whom 300 media personnel were expected.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant stamps and an imperforate half-sized sheet.

Counter sheet:

The five 38mm x 28mm 30s. designs appeared se-tenant in columns in the sheet and represent (from left to right):

- 30s.(A): Electronic circuitry - "A unique ideology based on globalised information technology advancement reflects mind development in the new millennium";
- 30s.(B): Decorative leaf pattern - "Islamic Culture and Tradition which have always been preserved as inherited treasure for generations";
- 30s.(C): The event emblem, Rajah Brooke's Birdwing butterfly and flower;
- 30s.(D): Coins - "Currency as a symbol for Islam's excellence in the context of domestic and foreign trade and businesses";
- 30s.(E): Pens and Earth from space - "Diplomatic relationship and regional communication strengthen brotherhood ties between Islam all over the world."

Except for design C, all the stamps included a globe with a map of Malaysia.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (2 strips x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 13.8 x 13.6. All margins were perforated through.

Imperforate sheet:

The same five 30s. designs were used. They were printed in sheets of 50 (5 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 5 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The paper was as for the counter sheets but had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The 50-set sheets were sold imperforate.

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the event emblem.

The special first day postmark included Islamic text.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.15.1	898	793	30s.(A). P.13.8 x 13.6. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.1a	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.2	899	794	30s.(B). P.13.8 x 13.6. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.2a	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.3	900	795	30s.(C). P.13.8 x 13.6. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.3a	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.4	901	796	30s.(D). P.13.8 x 13.6. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.4a	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.5	902	797	30s.(E). P.13.8 x 13.6. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.5a	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.6	898a	MC-258	Strip of five (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.6a	-	-	- (1a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.7	-	MC-258SHI	RM15 imperf sheet of 50 (ten 6a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.8	-	MFDC-258	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.15.8a	-	-	- (6a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

5 July 2000.

Population & Housing Census 2000.



The first census since 1991 nominally took place on 5 July 2000, but every permanent or temporary place of residence was to be visited between 5 and 24 July. As well as population statistics, a housing and utilities infrastructure survey was to be taken at the same time.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant stamps and an imperforate half-sized sheet.

Counter sheets:

The se-tenant horizontal strip of five 38mm x 28mm 30s. stamps showed (left to right):

30s.(A): A family standing on a map of Malaysia;

30s.(B): Refrigerator, television, stereo system, extraction fan, house and family;

30s.(C): People standing on a pie chart;

30s.(D): Academic mortar board hat and certificates, worker with wheelbarrow and overseer;

30s.(E): Male and Female symbols.

All designs included the Malaysian flag.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (2 strips x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations normally measured 14.3, but 13.8 x 13.6 also exists. All margins were perforated through on 14.3 sheets, as was the left margin on 13.8 x 13.6 sheets; other margins were not recorded.

Variety:

A variety was reported as follows:

Design	No.	Position	Details
E	v1	R1/10	A red dot appeared on the bottom left of the woman's skirt.

Imperforate sheets:

Sheets of 50 (1 strip x 10) were specially printed and sold at RM20. The sheet markings were the same as in the 100-set sheets. The same paper was used but with watermark upright instead of sideways.

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured a composite of elements from the stamp designs.

The special first day postmark included the event emblem (house enclosing a family).

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.16.1	903	798	30s.(A). Wmk. SD. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.1a	903b	-	-- P.13.7 x.13.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.1b	footnote	-	- Wmk. U. Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.2	904	799	30s.(B). Wmk. SD. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.2a	904b	-	-- P.13.7 x.13.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.2b	footnote	-	- Wmk. U. Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.3	905	800	30s.(C). Wmk. SD. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.3a	905b	-	-- P.13.7 x.13.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.3b	footnote	-	- Wmk. U. Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.4	906	801	30s.(D). Wmk. SD. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.4a	906b	-	-- P.13.7 x.13.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.4b	footnote	-	- Wmk. U. Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.5	907	802	30s.(E). Wmk. SD. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.5a	907b	-	-- P.13.7 x.13.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.5b	footnote	-	- Wmk. U. Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.6	903a	MC-259	Se-tenant strip of five (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.6a	903ba	-	-(1a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.6b	-	-	-(1b-5b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.7	-	-	Imperforate sheet of 50 (ten 6b).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.8	-	MFDC-259	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.16.8a	-	-	-(6b).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

22 July 2000.

Birds - Pheasants and Partridges.



All nine species of pheasant and ten species of partridge found in Malaysia were made protected species under the Wildlife Act.

Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd, this issue comprised four counter sheets, a sheetlet and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The four 35mm square stamps showed:

20s.: Rothschild's (or Mountain) Peacock Pheasant (Kuang Cermin, *Polyplectron inopinatum*);

30s.: Crested Argus (female) (Kuang Gunung, *Rheinartia ocellata*¹¹);

50s.: Great Argus Pheasant (Kuang Raya, *Argusianus argus*¹²);

RM1: Crested Fireback Pheasant (Merah Mata, *Lophura erythrophthalma*).

The counter sheets were printed in sheets of 50 (5 x 10)¹³ by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below left and right columns and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of top and bottom rows. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright, but inverted watermarks have been reported.¹⁴ The comb perforations measured 13.2. All margins were perforated through.

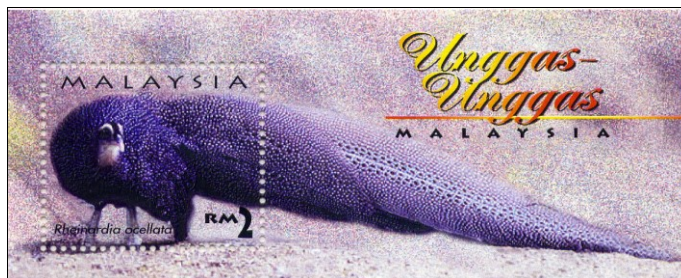


Sheetlet:

A “souvenir sheet” was sold at RM6. Twenty 30s. stamps surrounded a panel with an illustration of a Great Argus. This sheet was also sold imperforate at RM10. The sheet showed “RM10” at the bottom left in both perforate and imperforate forms in error. The stamps were indistinguishable from the counter sheets. The watermark was upright.

Miniature sheet:

The 100mm x 40mm miniature sheet incorporating a 32mm x 28mm RM2 stamp showed a male Crested Argus. The paper was as for counter sheets, but it had watermark sideways reading down. The perforations measured 13.9 x 14.2.



Variety:

The following variety was reported on counter sheet stamps:

Value	No.	Position	Variety.
30c.	v1	?	Doctor blade flaw in yellow. ¹⁵ By their very nature, doctor blade flaws are not constant.
Sheetlet	v1	C6	Wmk. U. Perforator strike for column 6 misplaced 12mm to the left and 1mm upwards.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured the Crested Argus. The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured *Polyplectron malacense*. The special first day postmark included a pheasant.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.17.1	908	803	20s. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.1a	908w	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.2	909	804	30s. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.2a	909a	-	- No Wmk.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.2b	footnote	-	- Imperf. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.3	910	805	50s. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.4	911	806	RM1. Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.5	MS912	MC-260M	RM2 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.6	-	MC-260SH	RM6 souvenir sheet (twenty 2) - Perforated.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.6a	-	MC-260SHI	RM10 souvenir sheet (twenty 2b) - Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.7	-	MFDC-260	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.8	-	MFDC-260M	- (5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.17.9	-	MPP-260	Presentation pack (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

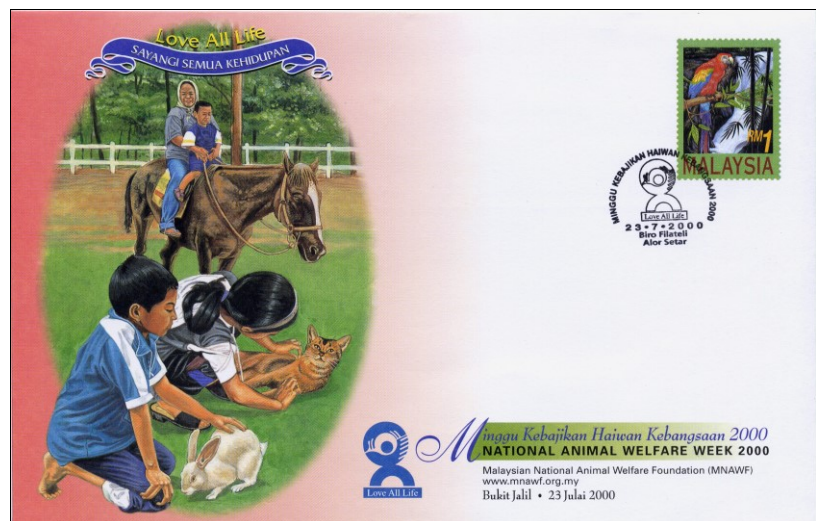
23 July 2000.

Envelopes - National Animal Welfare Week.



Envelope A.

Envelope B.



Promoted by the Malaysian National Animal Welfare Foundation, National Animal Welfare Week 2000 was aimed at making the public aware of the need for responsible pet ownership and the uses to which animals were put in the service of mankind. A special event was held at Bukit Jalil on 23 July 2000.

By an uncredited designer, two 215mm x 140mm pre-stamped envelopes were produced with the common slogan of "Love All Life" and sold at RM1.30 each.

Envelope A had an overall blue tint and showed a man with a pigeon standing on his hand while his wife looked on. His son was playing with goldfish in a garden pond. The 28mm x 38mm RM1 "stamp" had a blue frame and showed a boy and girl playing with a cat. It had printed perforation 12.9 x 13.2. There was no phosphor coating.

Envelope B had an overall pink tint and showed a boy with a rabbit, a girl with a cat and a woman and boy riding a horse. The similar "stamp" had a green frame and showed a parrot.

First day facilities:

The special first day postmark included the "Love All Life" emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.18.1	-	PE28	Envelope A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.18.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.18.2	-	PE29	Envelope B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.18.2a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 August 2000.

21st IUFRO Forestry Congress.

The 21st Congress of the International Union of Forestry Research Organisations (IUFRO) took place from 7 to 12 August 2000 in Kuala Lumpur. Founded in 1882, IUFRO was the foremost international body in forestry research and was a non-profit-making, scientific, non-governmental organisation. Several Malaysian bodies were members, including the Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM), the Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia and the Universiti Putra Malaysia.

Designed by Peter Chuah P.K., this issue comprised four miniature sheets, an uncut press sheet and one sheetlet.

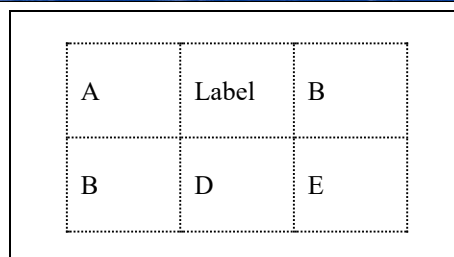
Miniature sheets:



The four 93mm x 71mm miniature sheets each contain five different 24mm x 20mm stamps plus a label showing a young seedling of Anak Pokok Meranti (*Shorea acuminata*) and the event emblem arranged in a block of six. The 50s. miniature sheet was predominantly green and the five 10s. stamps demonstrate the “Shapes of Trees”. The red 75s. sheet showed “Shapes of Leaves” on 15s. stamps. The brown RM1.75 sheet showed “Types of Tree Barks” on 25s. stamps, while the blue RM2.50 sheet showed “Malaysia’s Treasure Trove” of fauna. All sheets showed the FRIM and IUFRO emblems in the bottom corners.

The individual stamps showed:

- 10s.(A): Conical shape of Tembusu (Tembusu, *Fagraea fragrans*);
- 10s.(B): Cauliflower shape of Borneo Camphorwood (Kapur, *Dryobalanops aromatica*);
- 10s.(C): Pagoda shape of South East Asia Almond (Ketapang, *Terminalia catappa*);
- 10s.(D): Umbrella shape of Rain Tree (Hujan-hujan, *Samanea saman*);
- 10s.(E): Round and bushy shape of Argus Pheasant Tree (Sengkuang, *Dracontomelon dao*);
- 15s.(A): Palmate leaf of Heritiera (Mengkulang Jari, *Heritiera javanica*);
- 15s.(B): Rhomboid or diamond shape leaf of Umbrella Leaf Palm (Daun Payung, *Johannesteijsmannia altifrons*);
- 15s.(C): Lobed leaf of Elephant’s Ear (Mahang Gajah, *Macaranga gigantea*);
- 15s.(D): Fan-shaped leaf of Ruffled Fan Palm (Palas, *Licuala grandis*);
- 15s.(E): Heart-shaped leaf of Moon Tree (Sesenduk or Bulan-bulan, *Endospermum diadenum*);
- 25s.(A): Cankered bark of Melembu (Melembu, *Pterocymbium javanicum*);
- 25s.(B): Scaly bark of Borneo Camphorwood (Kapur, *Dryobalanops aromatica*);
- 25s.(C): Lenticellate bark of Keruing kipas (Keruing kipas, *Dipterocarpus costulatus*);
- 25s.(D): Fissured bark of Light-red Meranti (Meranti tembaga, *Shorea leprosula*);
- 25s.(E): Dippled bark of Petaling (Petaling, *Ochanostachys amentacea*);
- 50s.(A): Indigo Flycatcher (*Muscicapa indigo*);
- 50s.(B): Slow Loris (Kongkang, *Nycticebus coucang*);
- 50s.(C): Marbled Cat (Kucing Dahan, *Felis marmorata*);
- 50s.(D): Common Carp (Tangsan Pendik, *Cyprinus carpio*);



50s.(E): Wagler's Pit Viper (*Trimeresurus wagleri*).

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using off-set lithography. All sheet markings were removed before issue. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light and had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 12.0 x 11.7.

Uncut press sheet:

An imperforate 219mm x 174mm composite sheet containing the four miniature sheets with white margins between was also sold at RM10. These uncut miniature sheets were slightly larger (95mm x 72mm) to allow for cutting variation.

Sheetlet:



The 160mm x 190mm RM6 sheetlet contained twenty (5 x 4) 25mm x 35mm 30s. stamps. The five 30s. designs showed seeds and seed pods in a horizontal strip of five, the designs stepping one to the right on each successive row. The sheets showed the FRIM and IUFRO emblems in the bottom margin. The individual stamps showed:

- 30s.(A): Takien (Merawan Siput Jantan, *Hopea odorata*);
- 30s.(B): Red Sandalwood (Saga, *Adenanthera pavonina*);
- 30s.(C): Light Red Meranti (Engkabang, *Shorea macrophylla*);
- 30s.(D): Jelutong. (Jelutong, *Dyera costulata*);
- 30s.(E): Common Pulai (Pulai, *Alstonia angustiloba*).

Paper and printing were as for the miniature sheets. The sheetlet was sold perforated 12.1 at RM6 (face value) and imperforate at RM10. The sheetlet was perforated from left to right by a comb and finished by a single line of perforations at the right. Otherwise-identical pairs of stamps from the upper two rows can normally be differentiated from those from the lower two rows by the vertical side perforations. The upper two rows were composed of mixed small and large diameter pins, whereas the lower two rows were consistently large diameter pins.



First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The two large (213mm x 140mm) first day covers, sold at 30s., featured leaves on a cream (cover #1) or green (cover #2) background.

The special first day postmark included a germinating seedling.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.19.1	-	-	10s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.1a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.2	-	-	10s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.2a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.3	-	-	10s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.3a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.4	-	-	10s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.4a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.5	-	-	10s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.5a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.6	MS918(a)	-	50s. Miniature sheet (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.6a	-	-	- (1a-5a) (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.19.7	-	-	15s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.7a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.8	-	-	15s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.8a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.9	-	-	15s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.9a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.10	-	-	15s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.10a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.11	-	-	15s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.11a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.12	MS918(b)	-	75s. Miniature sheet (7-11).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.12a	-	-	- (7a-11a) (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.13	-	-	25s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.13a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.14	-	-	25s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.14a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.15	-	-	25s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.15a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.16	-	-	25s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.16a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.17	-	-	25s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.17a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.18	MS918(c)	-	RM1.25. Miniature sheet (13-17).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.18a	-	-	- (13a-17a) (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.19	913	807	30s.(A) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.19a	footnote	-	- Imperforate (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.20	914	808	30s.(B) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.20a	footnote	-	- Imperforate (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.21	915	809	30s.(C) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.21a	footnote	-	- Imperforate (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.22	916	810	30s.(D) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.22a	footnote	-	- Imperforate (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.23	917	811	30s.(E) (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.23a	footnote	-	- Imperforate (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.24	913a	MC-261	Se-tenant strip of five (19-23).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.24a	footnote	-	- (19a-23a) (from RM10 sheetlet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.25	-	MC-261SH	RM6. sheetlet (four 24).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.25a	footnote	MC-261SHI	RM10 sheetlet (four 24a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.26	-	-	50s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.26a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.27	-	-	50s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.27a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.28	-	-	50s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.28a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.29	-	-	50s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.29a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.30	-	-	50s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.30a	-	-	- Imperforate (from uncut sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.31	MS918(d)	-	RM2.50. Miniature sheet (26-30).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.31a	-	-	- Imperforate (26a-30a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.32	-	-	Imperforate uncut sheet of four miniature sheets (6a, 12a, 18a, 31a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.33	-	-	First day cover #1 (12).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.33a	-	-	- (12, 18).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.33b	-	-	- (18).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.33c	-	-	- (18, 31).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.33d	-	MFDC-261	- (24).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.34	-	-	First day cover #2 (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.34a	-	-	- (6, 12).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.34b	-	-	- (6, 31).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.34c	-	-	- (31).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.19.34d	-	-	- (24).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

11 August 2000.

Envelopes - One Home, One Computer.

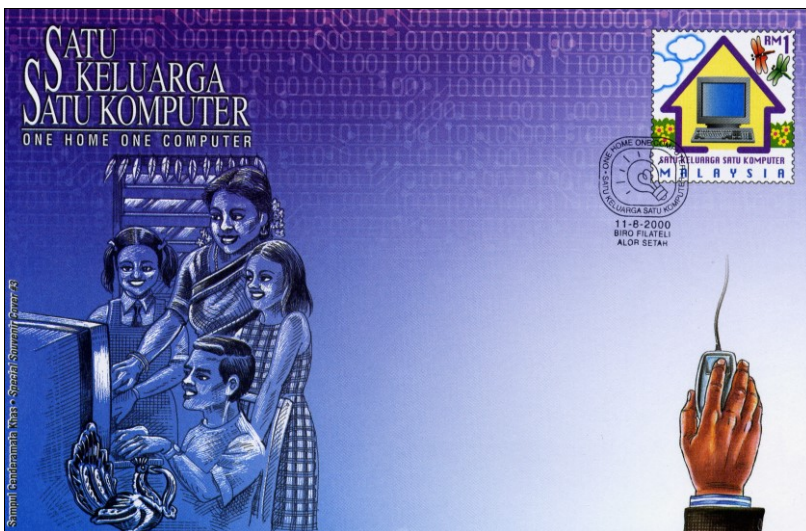
Envelope #1.



Envelope #2.



Envelope #3.



Three postal stationery envelopes were issued at RM1.30 each on the theme of “One Home, One Computer” as part of the Malaysian Government’s drive to promote information technology.

Although not stated, it is believed that these covers were designed by Peter Chuah P. K. The three 215mm x 140mm envelopes each showed a different family group around a computer terminal at home, together with a hand holding a mouse, as used in the margins of the Global Knowledge issue, cover #1 being a graphical representation while the other two were natural hands. Cover #1, predominantly printed in green, showed a Moslem family. The 38mm x 40mm RM1 “stamp” showed a computer inside a symbolic house with the Sun and butterflies. Cover #2 (red) showed a Chinese family and cat. The similar stamp included a rainbow and doves. Cover #3 (blue) showed an Indian family,

the stamp having clouds and dragonflies. Printer and printing details were not recorded. The unwatermarked paper gave a low fluorescent reaction and no after-glow under ultra-violet light. The printed "perforations" measured 10.4.

The special first day postmark included a light bulb.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.20.1	-	PE30	RM1 Envelope #1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.20.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.20.2	-	PE31	RM1 Envelope #2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.20.2a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.20.3	-	PE32	RM1 Envelope #3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.20.3a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

23-26 August 2000.

Kuching Festival Stamp Show 2000.

A private cachet showing the first stamp of Sarawak and a privately-produced postcard showing the Astana circa 1930 were available at this event. Items were serviced with a "KUCHING / 23.08.2000 / P4 / SARAWAK" sing-ring circular date stamp.

24 August 2000.

Centenary of Institute for Medical Research.



Originally intended for issue on 20 May 2000, this issue marks the centenary of the Institute for Medical Research (IMR), Kuala Lumpur. This was founded in 1900 by Sir Frank Swettenham as the Pathological Institute to study, cure and ultimately prevent local diseases.

Designed by The Sharper Image Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm counter sheet stamps showed:

30s.: The Institute in 1901, a rice stalk (representing the IMR's discovery of Vitamin B1 in unpolished rice and its link to the disease Beri-beri) and *brugia malayi* (roundworm nematode);

50s.: The Institute in 1953, *Anopheles campestris* (malarial mosquito) and *Clostridium bifermentans malaysia* (anaerobic insecticidal bacterium);

RM1: The Institute in 1976, deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) sequence chromatogram and *Eurycoma longifolia* leaf and root.

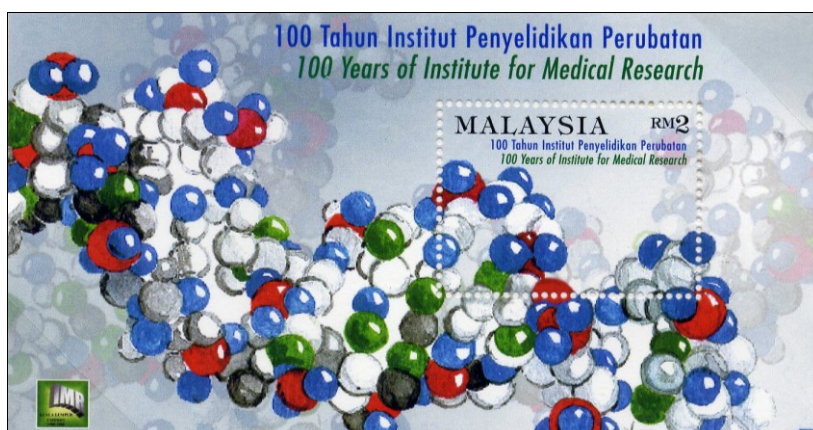
They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A(x4) above and below columns 1 and 10 and SPM emblems (x4) to the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.8 x 13.6 (30s.) or 14.3 (rest).

Imperforate sheets:

Complete sheets of the 30s. were sold imperforate at RM30 (face value).

Miniature sheet:

The 121mm x 64mm miniature sheet featured a section of a DNA molecule, part of which was perforated to form a 38mm x 28mm RM2 stamp. The IMR emblem appeared at the bottom left-hand corner of the sheet. It was perforated 14.3. The paper was the same as for the counter sheets but had watermark Multiple SPM upright.



First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a researcher examining plant cultures.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured glass jars.

The special first day postmark included a microscope.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.21.1	919	812	30s. P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.1a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.2	920	813	50s. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.3	921	814	RM1 P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.4	MS922	MC-262M	RM2 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.5	-	MC-262SHI	RM30 imperforate sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.6	-	MFDC-262	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.7	-	MFDC-262M	- (4).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.21.8	-	MPP-262	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

26 August 2000.**Protected Mammals (II).**

This series featured civets (*viverridae*). There were 12 known species in Malaysia, of which four were protected. Designed by Peter Chuah P K, this issue comprised four counter sheets, a miniature sheet and a sheetlet.

Counter sheets:

The four 35mm square stamps form a horizontal composite design but were sold in separate sheets. They show:

20s.: Otter Civet (adult) (Musang Memerang, *Cynogale bennettii*);

30s.(A): Otter Civet (young);

50s., RM1 (A): Binturong (Binturong, *Arctictis binturong*).

They were printed in sheets of 50 by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included a band of colour, matching the colours of the figures of value, in the top margin of the sheet incorporating the plate numbers 1A (x4) which appeared above and below the first and last column) and the issue title in Malay and English, preceded by a line drawing of the appropriate animal. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper normally had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down, but one sideways reading up variety was reported. The comb perforations measured 13.2. Top, bottom and right margins were perforated through; the last margin has not been recorded.

Miniature sheet:

The 141mm x 81mm RM2 miniature sheet showed two further civets, the heads being perforated to form a vertical pair of RM1 stamps:

RM1 (B): Banded Palm Civet (Musang Belang, *Hemigalus derbyanus*);

RM1 (C): Banded Linsang (Linsang, *Prionodon linsang*).

Paper and perforations were as for the counter sheets.



The watermark was normally sideways reading down, but sideways reading up examples exist.

Souvenir sheets:



The 231mm x 195mm souvenir sheet (sold at RM6 perforated, RM10 imperforate) showed five more civets in a block of 20 (four horizontal strips of five). Details were as for the counter sheets except that the watermark was upright:

- 30s.(B): Hose’s Palm Civet (Musang Belang, *Hemigalus hosei*);
- 30s.(C): Common Palm Civet (Musang Belang, *Paradoxurus hermaphroditus*);
- 30s.(D): Masked Palm Civet (Musang Belang, *Paguma larvata*);
- 30s.(E): Malay Civet (Musang Belang, *Viverra zibetha*);
- 30s.(F): Three-striped Palm Civet (Musang Belang, *Arctogalidia trivirgata*).

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured *Prionodon linsang* in a forest.

The first day cover, sold at 30s., featured *Prionodon linsang* entering a forest.

The special first day postmark included *Prionodon linsang*.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.22.1	923	815	20s. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.2	924	816	30s.(A). Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.2a	924w	-	- Wmk. SU. ¹⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.3	927	819	30s.(B). Wmk. U. (Perf.). From RM6 sheetlet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.3a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.4	928	820	30s.(C). Wmk. U. (Perf.). From RM6 sheetlet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.4a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.5	929	821	30s.(D). Wmk. U. (Perf.). From RM6 sheetlet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.5a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.6	930	822	30s.(E). Wmk. U. (Perf.). From RM6 sheetlet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.6a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.7	931	823	30s.(F). Wmk. U. (Perf.). From RM6 sheetlet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.7a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.22.8	927a	MC-264	Strip of five (3-7).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.8a	footnote	-	- (3a-7a.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.9	925	817	50s. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.10	926	818	RM1 (A). Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.11	-	-	RM1 (B). Wmk. SD. From m/s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.11a	-	-	- Wmk. SU. From m/s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.12	-	-	RM1 (C). Wmk. SD. From m/s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.12a	-	-	- Wmk. SU. From m/s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.13	MS932	MC-264M	RM2 miniature sheet (11-12)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.13a	MS932a	-	- (11a-12a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.14	-	MC-264SH	RM6 sheetlet (four 8).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.14a	-	MC-264SHI	RM10 sheetlet (four 8a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.15	-	MFDC-263	First day cover (1, 2, 9, 10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.15a	-	MFDC-264	- (8).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.15b	-	-	- (8a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.16	-	MFDC-264M	- (13).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.22.17	-	MPP-263	Presentation pack (1, 2, 9, 10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14 September 2000.**Golden Jubilee of RIDA/MARA.**

This issue was originally scheduled for November 2000 and marked the Golden Jubilee of the formation of RIDA, the predecessor of today's MARA socio-economic development organisation. It came only nine years after an issue marking the Silver Jubilee of MARA itself. Designed by Eka IPR Agensi Sdn. Bhd., the issue comprised three counter sheets and a sheetlet.

Counter sheets:

The three 38mm x 28mm designs showed the event emblem with elements showing:

30s.: Workforce and entrepreneurial development (cogs and worker in hard hat);

50s.: Educational development (people in suits, stethoscope, set square and dividers);

RM1: Academic and vocational socio-economic development (buildings, book, computer disk, computer mouse).

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 the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 14.3. Top, left and bottom margins were perforated through for all values; the right-hand margin was not recorded.

Sheetlet:

The souvenir sheetlet, sold at RM6 perforated or RM10 imperforate, contained twenty 30s. stamps arranged in a rectangle (4 x 8) around a text similar to that used on first day covers, etc. In the perforated sheetlet, stamps in rows 1 and 8 (8 stamps) were perforated 13.8 x 13.6, row 2 (2 stamps) was 13.8/14.3 x 13.6, rows 3 to 6 (8 stamps) were 14.3 and row 7 (2 stamps) was 14.3/13.8 x 14.3. The paper was as for the sheet stamps.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.50. The envelope of the presentation pack featured a world map and the event emblem.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the event emblem and elements of the stamp designs.

The special first day postmark included the event emblem.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.23.1	933	824	30s. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.1a	footnote	-	- Imperf (from RM10 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.1b	933b	-	- P.13.8 x 13.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.1c	933ba	-	- P.13.8/14.3 x 13.6 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.1d	933a	-	- P.14.3/13.8 x 14.3 (from RM6 sheetlet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.2	934	825	50s. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.3	935	826	RM1. P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.4	footnote	MC-265SH	RM6 sheetlet (Perf.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.5	footnote	MC-265SHI	RM10 sheetlet (Imperf.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.6	-	MFDC-265	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.6a	-	-	- (1a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.23.7	-	MPP-265	Presentation pack (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 September 2000.

Traditional Children's Games (II).



This issue was originally planned for 16 August.

Designed by Ad Integrated Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheets:

This issue differs from the previous one in this series by being 38mm x 28mm instead of portrait-format. The two 20s. and two 30s. stamps appeared in alternating columns in their respective sheets and thus form se-tenant horizontal pairs. The stamps showed:

- 20s.(A): Baling Tin (bowling at tin cans);
 20s.(B): Gasing (spinning tops);
 30s.(A): Sepak raga (ball game);
 30s.(B): Letup-Letup (paper pellet gun).

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 the left and right of rows 1 and 10. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. It had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations normally measured 13.8 x 13.6, but the 20s. exists perforated 14.3. Top and left margins were perforated through (13.8 x 13.6 - both values), as was bottom (14.3 - 20s., 13.8 x 13.6 - 30s.); other margins were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The presentation pack was sold at RM3.00 and comes with either version of the 20s. pair. The envelope of the presentation pack featured children playing baling tin and letup-letup.

The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the apparatus of the four games.

The special first day postmark included the split rattan ball used in sepak raga.

The presentation pack envelope was remaindered and used by the Philatelic Bureau for official mail with a 9mm high handstamp "POS MALAYSIA BHD." in violet-blue.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.24.1	936	827	20s.(A). P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.1a	936b	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.2	937	828	20s.(B). P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.2a	937b	-	- P.14.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.3	936a	-	Se-tenant pair (1, 2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.3a	936ba	-	- (1a, 2a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.4	938	829	30s.(A). P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.5	939	830	30s.(B). P.13.8 x 13.6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.6	938a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.7	-	MFD-266	First day cover (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.8	-	MPP-266	Presentation pack (3, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.8a	-	-	- (3a, 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.24.9	-	-	- Envelope used for official mail.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 September 2000.

World Heart Day.



Yet another addition to the original programme, this issue marks the first World Heart Day, an annual event on the last Sunday of September, co-sponsored by the World Heart Federation, the World Health Organisation and UNESCO. The issue strongly featured the "I love my heart, let it beat" emblem/slogan.

Designed by Orient Communications Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheet:

The strip of five 28mm x 45mm 30s. stamps formed a composite design. The five designs featured, from left to right:

- 30s.(A): Red Crescent heart clinic, cycling;
 30s.(B): Skipping, hula-hoop, ball games;
 30s.(C): Kite, football and no-smoking sign;
 30s.(D): Aerobics, jogging;
 30s.(E): Digging, food, cow and farm.

They were printed in sheets of 50 (10 x 5) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10, SPM emblems (x4) at left and right of rows 1 and 5, the event emblem above R1/5-6 and the issue title below R5/5-6. The innermost character of the plate numbers partially strayed into the adjacent column. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a

yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. It had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2. The top, left and right margins were perforated through; the bottom margin was not recorded.

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

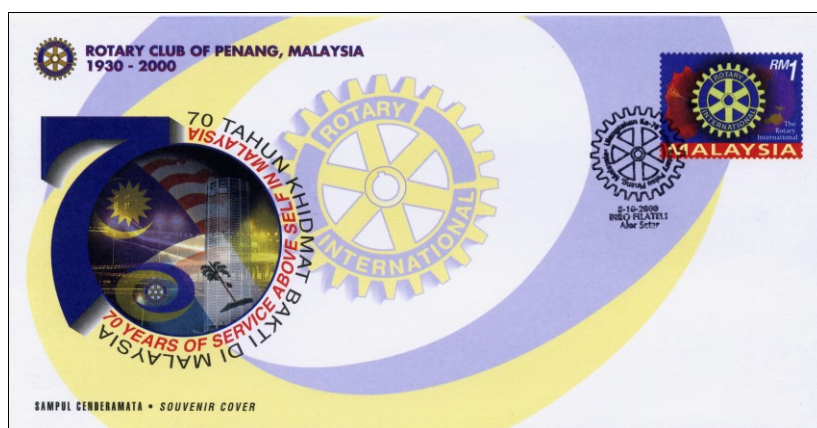
The first day cover, sold at 20s., featured the event emblem/slogan and The Heart Foundation of Malaysia emblem.

The special first day postmark included an emblem of a man holding a shield with a heart on it.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.25.1	940	831	30s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.2	941	832	30s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.3	942	833	30s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.4	943	834	30s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.5	944	835	30s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.6	940a	MC-267	Se-tenant strip (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.25.7	-	MFDC-267	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8 October 2000.

Envelope - 70th Anniversary of Penang Rotary Club.



This 217mm x 111mm pre-paid souvenir cover by an uncredited artist marked the 70th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Penang.

The 38mm x 28mm RM1 “stamp” showed the Rotary International emblem on a background of Hibiscus and the Earth. The envelopes were sold at RM1.30 each. The envelope bore the Rotary International emblem and a 70 emblem. The “stamp” had simulated perforation 13.2 x 13.0. The printer was not recorded.

First day facilities:

First day covers received a special postmark incorporating the Rotary emblem.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.26.1	-	-	RM1 envelope.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.26.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

9 October 2000.

Stamp Week (V) - Highland Flowers (II) - Rhododendrons.



The 2000 theme was Rhododendrons of Malaysia. This year, Stamp Week had been rescheduled to begin on World Post Day, the annual UPU event, and ran from 9 to 15 October.

Designed by Peter Chuah P. K., this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant stamps and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The stamp designs were numbered at the bottom right. The various 28mm x 45mm designs (including the stamp within the miniature sheet) showed the following flowers, which were native to Sabah and Sarawak, except for designs 2, 3 and 4 which were native to Peninsular Malaysia:

Value	Latin Name
30s. 1/4	<i>Rhododendron brookeanum</i>
30s. 2/4	<i>Rhododendron jasminiflorum</i>
30s. 3/4	<i>Rhododendron scortechinii</i>
30s. 4/4	<i>Rhododendron pauciflorum</i>
30s. 1/10	<i>Rhododendron crassifolium</i>
30s. 2/10	<i>Rhododendron longiflorum</i>
30s. 3/10	<i>Rhododendron javanicum</i>
30s. 4/10	<i>Rhododendron variolosum</i>
30s. 5/10	<i>Rhododendron acuminatum</i>
30s. 6/10	<i>Rhododendron praetervisum</i>
30s. 7/10	<i>Rhododendron himantodes</i>
30s. 8/10	<i>Rhododendron maxwellii</i>
30s. 9/10	<i>Rhododendron ericoides</i>
30s. 10/10	<i>Rhododendron fallacinum</i>



Stamp 7/10 was inscribed “*Rhodadendron*” in error. Stamp 9/10 was inscribed in error “*Rhododendron erocoides*”.

They were printed in sheets of 60 (10 x 6) by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The sheets contained either blocks of ten 30s. stamps or blocks of four 30s. stamps. Stamps 1/10-5/10 and 1/4-2/4 appeared in rows 1, 3 and 5 of their respective sheets, and the others on the even-numbered rows.

Sheet markings included 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 10, the issue title in English and Malay (“FLORA TANAH TINGGI MALAYSIA (SIRI II) / HIGHLAND FLOWERS OF MALAYSIA (SERIES II)”) above and (“*Rhododendron* Di Malaysia / *Rhododendrons* Of Malaysia”) below columns 4 to 7, “(Block of 10)” or “(Block of 4)” below column 9 and additional flower portraits to the left and right of rows 3 and 4. That to the right of the block of 4 sheet showed *Rhododendron rugosum* (left design was not recorded), while the block of 10 sheet had *Rhododendron lowii* at

the left and *Rhododendron yongii* at the right). It is likely that both versions were produced from a single printer's sheet.

The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. It had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 12.2. All four margins were perforated through on both sheets.

Miniature sheet:

The 56mm x 89mm RM1 miniature sheet from the same printers used the same paper and same gauge perforation. The stamps showed *Rhododendron malayanum*, a native of Peninsular Malaya. The miniature sheet was numbered "STAMP WEEK 1/2000".

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

There were two first day covers, sold at 30s. each. One (numbered #1) was pale orange with a picture of *Rhododendron lowii* and was intended for use with the block of four and miniature sheet. The other (#2) was pale green with a picture of *Rhododendron yongii* and was intended for use with the block of 10.

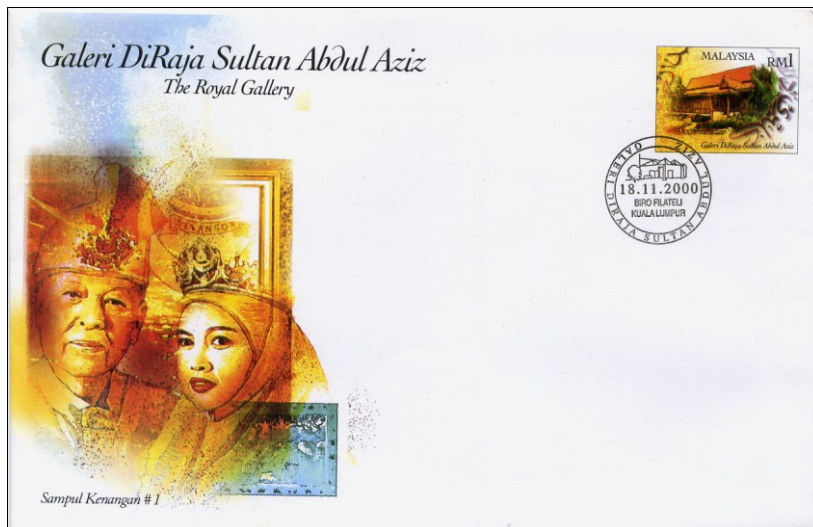
The special first day postmark included a flower.



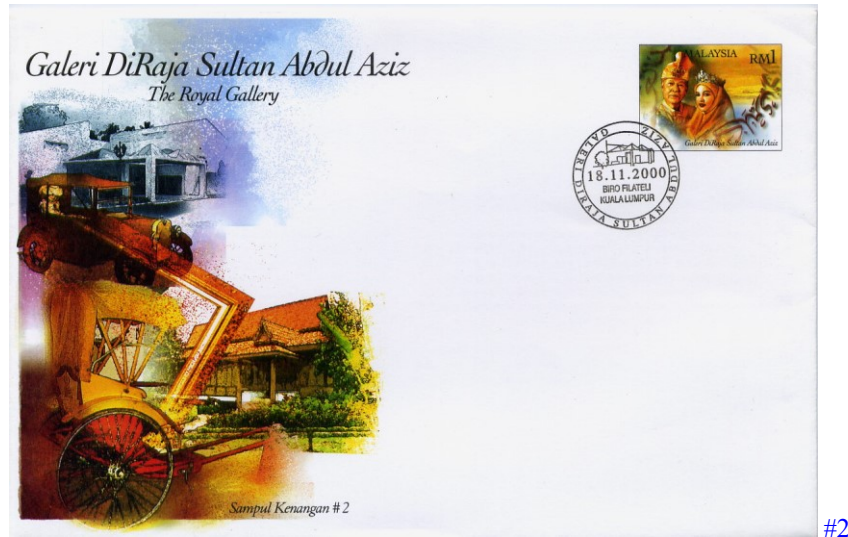
No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.27.1	945	846	30s. 1/4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.2	946	847	30s. 2/4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.3	947	848	30s. 3/4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.4	948	849	30s. 4/4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.5	945a	-	Block of four (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.6	949	836	30s. 1/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.7	950	837	30s. 2/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.8	951	838	30s. 3/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.9	952	839	30s. 4/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.10	953	840	30s. 5/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.11	954	841	30s. 6/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.12	955	842	30s. 7/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.13	956	843	30s. 8/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.14	957	844	30s. 9/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.15	958	845	30s. 10/10.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.16	949a	-	Block of ten (1-10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.17	MS959	MC-268M	RM1 M/S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.18	-	-	First day cover #1 (5, 17).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.18a	-	-	- (16).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.19	-	-	First day cover #2 (16).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.27.19a	-	-	- (5, 17).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

18 November 2000.

Envelope - The Sultan Abdul Aziz Royal Gallery.



#1



#2

Two prepaid envelopes were issued to mark the opening of the new Sultan Abdul Aziz Royal Gallery at Syahbandaraya, Klang, Selangor, which was built to house a collection established in 1988 by Sultan Sharafuddin.

Sold at RM1.30, the 215mm x 139mm envelopes showed:

Envelope #1: Sultan Abdul Aziz and his Sultana and the Selangor coat of arms. The RM1 PPI showed an external view of the Museum.

Envelope #2: Car, Rickshaw and external views of the Museum buildings. The RM1 PPI showed Sultan Abdul Aziz and his Sultana.

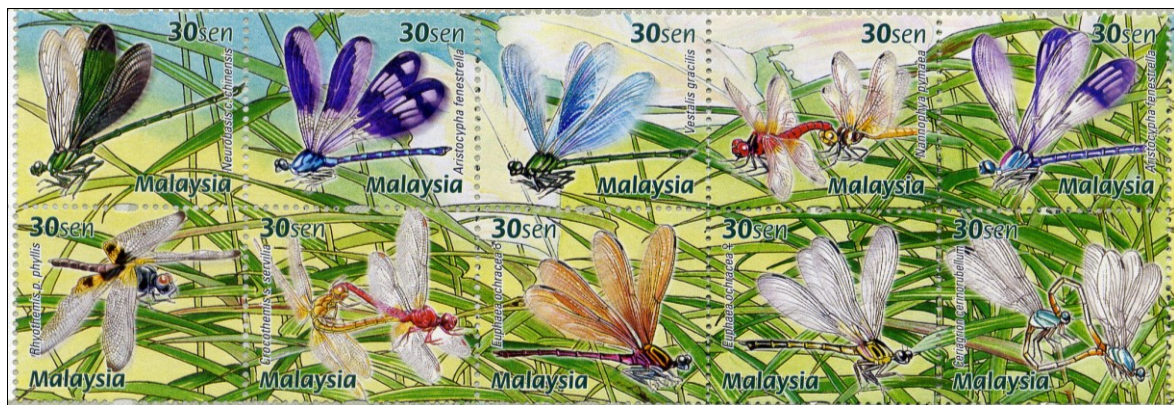
First day facilities:

A special cancellation was provided showing an external view of the museum.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.28.1	-	PE33	RM1 envelope #1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.28.1a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.28.2	-	PE34	- #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.28.2a	-	-	- First day postmark.	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

25 November 2000.

Insects (III) - Dragonflies.



	A	B	C	D	E	A	B	C	D	E
	F	G	H	I	J	F	G	H	I	J

Designed by Orient Communications Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised a booklet and two sheetlets. For other issues inscribed “Insects Series III” or “Serangga Siri III”, see issues 05.10 and 05.11.

Booklet:

This RM6 booklet featured eight of the 220 recorded species of *Odonata* (dragonflies and damselflies) found in Peninsular Malaysia and was originally due for issue on 11 November.

The booklet contained a pane of twenty (10 x 2) 34mm x 29mm 30s. stamps attached by its left selvedge. The pane was made up of two blocks of ten (5 x 2) stamps, each block forming a composite design of side views of dragonflies on a foliage background:

(cover illustration reduced 33%)



30s.	Latin Name
A	<i>Neurobasis c. chinensis</i>
B	<i>Aristocypha fenestrella</i> (blue tail markings)
C	<i>Vestalis gracilis</i>
D	<i>Nannophya pymaea</i>
E	<i>Aristocypha fenestrella</i> (white tail markings)

30s.	Latin Name
F	<i>Rhyothemis p.phyllis</i>
G	<i>Crocothemis s. servilia</i>
H	<i>Euphaea ochracea</i> (male)
I	<i>Euphaea ochracea</i> (female)
J	<i>Ceriagrion cerinorubellum</i>

They were printed by Security Printers (Malaysia) using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings included SPM emblems (x4) in the selvedge. It was assumed that the booklets were assembled from sheets of 100 (10 x 10). Assuming normal SPM sheet format, booklets with SPM emblems in row 1 come from rows 1-2 of the sheet and booklets with the emblem in row 2 come from rows 9-10.¹⁷ The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.8. Each horizontal row of perforations had a triple-size oval security perforation at the centre of each stamp. The booklet cover (223mm x 62mm open, 112mm x 62mm folded) showed a damselfly (possibly *Euphaea ochracea*).



Sheetlet:

The RM7.50 souvenir sheet and RM10 imperforate souvenir sheet set a new precedent in that they have different borders. The perforated sheet had a border of flowers, whilst the imperforate sheet had a border of dragonfly silhouettes. The twenty-five NVI (nominally 30s.) stamp designs were common to the two sheets and showed dragonflies viewed from above on a pale green background.

The sheetlets were on the same paper as the booklets but had upright watermark. The sheets were perforated comb 14.1 x 13.9 plus ellipse from the left, the right-hand side being closed by a single line of 13.9.

NVI	Pos.	Latin Name
A	R1/1	<i>Vestalis gracilis</i>
B	R1/2	<i>Crocothemis s. servilia</i> (male)
C	R1/3	<i>Trithemis aurora</i>
D	R1/4	<i>Pseudothemis jorina</i>
E	R1/5	<i>Diplacodes nebulosa</i>
F	R2/1	<i>Crocothemis s. servilia</i> (female)

NVI	Pos.	Latin Name
G	R2/2	<i>Neurobasis c. chinensis</i> (male)
H	R2/3	<i>Burmagomphus divaricatus</i>
I	R2/4	<i>Ictinogomphus d. melaenops</i>
J	R2/5	<i>Orthetrum testaceum</i>
K	R3/1	<i>Trithemis festiva</i>
L	R3/2	<i>Brachythemis contaminata</i>

NVI	Pos.	Latin Name	NVI	Pos.	Latin Name
M	R3/3	<i>Neurobasis c. chinensis (female)</i>	T	R4/5	<i>Lathrecista a. asiatica</i>
N	R3/4	<i>Neurothemis fluctuans</i>	U	R5/1	<i>Aethriamanta gracilis</i>
O	R3/5	<i>Acisoma panorpoides</i>	V	R5/2	<i>Diplacodes trivialis</i>
P	R4/1	<i>Orthetrum s. sabina</i>	W	R5/3	<i>Neurothemis fulvia</i>
Q	R4/2	<i>Rhyothemis p. phyllis</i>	X	R5/4	<i>Rhyothemis triangularis</i>
R	R4/3	<i>Rhyothemis obsolescens</i>	Y	R5/5	<i>Orthetrum glaucum</i>
S	R4/4	<i>Neurothemis t. tulia</i>			

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The first day cover, sold at 30s., featured water-lilies (probably *Nymphaea alba*) on a pond. A correspondent¹⁸ from Alor Star reported that each purchaser of a booklet was "required" to purchase two blank first day covers, suggesting only limited stocks of booklets were available. There were two distinct versions of the first day cover. One (seen sold at Kuala Lumpur Bureau) was on white fluorescent paper. The other (seen sold at Alor Star) was on grey, low fluorescence paper.

The special first day postmark included a dragonfly.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.29.1	960	-	30s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.2	961	-	30s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.3	962	-	30s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.4	963	-	30s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.5	964	-	30s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.6	965	-	30s.(F).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.7	966	-	30s.(G).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.8	967	-	30s.(H).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.9	968	-	30s.(I).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.10	969	-	30s.(J).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.11	-	-	Se-tenant block of ten (1-10).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.12	SB11	SB94	Booklet (two 11). ¹⁹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.13	970	-	NVI (A). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.13a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.14	971	-	NVI (B). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.14a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.15	972	-	NVI (C). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.15a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.16	973	-	NVI (D). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.16a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.17	974	-	NVI (E). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.17a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.18	975	-	NVI (F). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.18a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.19	976	-	NVI (G). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.19a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.20	977	-	NVI (H). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.20a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.21	978	-	NVI (I). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.21a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.22	979	-	NVI (J). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.22a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.23	980	-	NVI (K). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.23a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.24	981	-	NVI (L). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.24a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.25	982	-	NVI (M). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.25a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.26	983	-	NVI (N). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.26a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.27	984	-	NVI (O). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.27a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.28	985	-	NVI (P). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.28a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.29	986	-	NVI (Q). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
00.29.29a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.30	987	-	NVI (R). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.30a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.31	988	-	NVI (S). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.31a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.32	989	-	NVI (T). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.32a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.33	990	-	NVI (U). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.33a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.34	991	-	NVI (V). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.34a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.35	992	-	NVI (W). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.35a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.36	993	-	NVI (X). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.36a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.37	994	-	NVI (Y). Perf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.37a	footnote	-	- Imperf.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.38	970a	MC-269SH	RM7.50 sheetlet (13-37)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.39	footnote	MC-269SHI	RM10 sheetlet (13a-37a)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.40	-	MSBF94	First day cover (1-10)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.41	-	MFDC-269	- (13-37 on up to 5 covers)	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.41a	-	-	- (13a-37a on up to 5 covers)	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
00.29.41b	-	-	- (39 on private cover)	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOTES

- 1 Reported by M. Kingsland 25Sep2013.
- 2 S.G. also listed both sheets imperforate.
- 3 I.S.C. allocated MFDC-250 to a pair of stamp covers.
- 4 I.S.C. allocated MFDC-250M to a pair of m/s covers.
- 5 Known used only. Reported by Subramaniam AP in The Malaysian Philatelist 2015 Vol.1, p. 21.
- 6 For aerogramme formats, see Section 10 of Chapter 3 in Volume 1.
- 7 Used example reported by Mr. J. Hawes.
- 8 Reported by Meng Koon (Singapore Philately Facebook site).
- 9 S.G. listed the booklet pane without covers as 875a.
- 10 One was listed by ISC as MPP-255.
- 11 Inscribed "*Rheinardia*" in error.
- 12 Inscribed "*Argisianus*" in error.
- 13 The publicity states the counter sheet size to be 100, but a block of ten from the bottom of the sheet showed the 30s. sheet to have been only five wide. It was therefore likely to have been 50-set. The printer's sheet may have had two 50-set panes resulting in this confusion.
- 14 S.G. listed a 30s. no watermark variety (S.G. 909a). M & N Haworth offered a 20s. with inverted watermark (subsequently S.G. 908w). None of these have been seen by the author.
- 15 Offered in MSG Auction July 2001.
- 16 Reported by Mr. D. Aggersberg.
- 17 Bottom booklet has not yet been seen by the author.
- 18 Reported by Mr. Alan Teh Leam Seng.
- 19 S.G. listed the booklet pane without cover as 960a and I.S.C. listed it as SB94a.