

CHAPTER FIFTY-FOUR
2012 SPECIAL ISSUES

12 January 2012.

Legacy of the Loom.



Designed by Peter Chuah for Orient Communications, this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant strips of stamps.

Counter sheets:

The 35mm x 45mm counter sheet stamps showed female weavers in traditional costume using appropriate types of loom and samples of woven designs in se-tenant strips of five stamps:

- 60s.(A): Cindai (Indian);
- 60s.(B): Songket (Malay);
- 60s.(C): Pua Kumbu (Sarawak?);
- 60s.(D): Ci Xiu (Chinese);
- 60s.(E): Rangkit (Sabah?).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (simple strip of 5 x 4) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 75,000 sheets were printed.¹ Sheet markings were the issue title in the right margin and “1A” (x4) to the left of R1/1. 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 12.1. The sheet was perforated through the left, top and bottom margins; the right margin was imperforate.

Miniature sheets:

There were the two 115mm x 100mm miniature sheets to mark Lunar New Year of the Dragon die-cut in the form of a Chinese shirt with a dragon design. The RM3 sheet showed the dragon in full colour, whereas the RM5 sheet had gold blocking over the dragon. 31,050 RM3 and 30,000 RM5 sheets were printed. The sheet had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The upper half of the 50mm x 60mm stamp incorporating the dragon was perforated 13.7 x 13.5, while the bottom half was perforated 14.1, giving an overall score of 13.7/14.1 x 13.5+14.1!

Clifford Wong reported that POS only included the RM3 sheet in the standing order (SODA) allocation and then offered the RM5 (with gold foil) to SODA members by separate subscription. On issue day, both the sheets were available at the counters, although in Kuala



Lumpur GPO collectors were limited to three each. Queuing time in KL GPO was three hours!



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured floral cloth.

The special first day postmark included a spindle.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.1.1	1845	1501	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.2	1846	1502	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.3	1847	1503	60s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.4	1848	1504	60s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.5	1849	1505	60s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.6	1845a	-	Se-tenant strip (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.7	MS1850	MC-439M ²	RM3 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.8	MS1851		RM5 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.9	-	MFDC-439	First day cover (6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.1.10	-	MFDC-439M	- (7-8).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indonesia 2012 Stamp Exhibition (18 June 2012):

The World Stamp Championship and Exhibition, Indonesia 2012 was held from 18 to 24 June 2012 at the Jakarta Convention Centre. The RM3 and RM5 sheets were reissued incorporating the event emblem. The sheet had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. Unlike the original issue, the stamp was perforated 13.7 x 13.5.

First day facilities:

Covers posted at the exhibition received a dragon cachet showing the start and end dates of the event.

In the absence of an official event cover, the Philatelic Society of Malaysia provided a private cover for use at the event.





No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.2.1	MS1874	MC-446M ³	RM3 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.2.2	MS1875	-	RM5 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

27 February 2012.

Yes to Life, No to Drugs.



The International Federation of Non-Governmental Organisations for the Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse (IFNGO) celebrated its thirtieth anniversary in November 2011 at the 24th IFNGO World Conference in Kuala Lumpur. Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 64mm x 32mm triangular counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Happy family (upright triangle);

60s.(B): Happy children (inverted triangle);

RM1: Happy children (upright triangle).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (2 rows of 4 above 2 rows of 6) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 800,000 60s. and 100,000 90s. stamps were printed.



The two 60s. designs formed a se-tenant composite design with the same orientation. The RM1 stamps were arranged tête-bêche. Sheet markings were the issue title, IFNGO, campaign and ASEAN emblems at top right, "1A" (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/6, colour dots (x4) to left of R4/1 and right of R1/4, Pos emblem below R4/5. 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 (thus the RM1 single stamp existed 50:50 reading up and down). The comb perforations measured 13.8 (horizontal) x 13.0 (diagonal). The diagonal perforations included wide gaps either side of the central hole.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the event emblem and people on a heart of flowers.

The special first day postmark included the IFNGO emblem in a heart.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.3.1	1852	1506	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.2	1853	1507	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.3	1852a	-	Pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.4	1854	1508	RM1. Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.5		-	- Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.6		-	Tête-bêche pair (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.7		MFDC-440	First day cover (3, 4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.3.7a			- (3, 5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

8 March 2012.

Malaysian Antarctic Research Programme.



The decision to establish a Malaysian scientific presence at Scott Base was taken in November 1997, and the first expedition was undertaken in October 1999. A National Antarctic Research Centre in the University of Malaysia was established on 5 August 2002. Malaysia acceded to the Antarctic Treaty System on 31 October 2011, and the MARP base was paid a working visit by the King on 20-23 November 2011.

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised two counter sheets, one containing se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheets:

The counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.: Map of Antarctica, Malaysia flag and scientist viewing the midnight sun near Ross Island (35mm square);

90s.(A): World map showing Malaysia, base location and other nations' polar research bodies (35mm square);

90s.(B): Emperor Penguin, Adélie Penguins, endemic Antarctic yeast from sea ice and atmospheric scientist setting up Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment to undertake a study of interaction between space weather and the upper atmosphere (70mm x 35mm).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal gutter) (60s.) or 16 (two panes 2 pairs x 2 with horizontal gutter) (90s.) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 500,000 60s. and 100,000 90s. stamps were printed. Sheet markings were issue title and emblems in gutter, "1A" (x4) to left of R1 and right of R4, colour dots (x4) to left of R4 and right of R1. 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 inverted (60s.) or sideways reading down (90s.). The comb perforations measured 13.2.



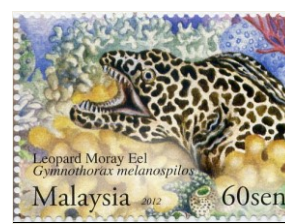
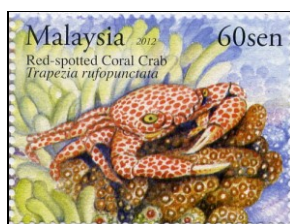
First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a penguin, map and photographs of scientists at work. The special first day postmark included a penguin holding the Malaysian flag. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.4.1	1855	1509	60s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.4.2	1856	1510	RM1(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.4.3	1857	1511	RM1(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.4.4	-	-	Pair (2-3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.4.5	-	MFDC-441	First day cover (1, 4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21 March 2012.

Underwater Life.



Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised four counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

- The 40mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps formed a composite design and showed:
- 60s.(A): Red-spotted Coral Crab (*Trapezia rufopunctata*);
- 60s.(B): Mandarinfish (*Synchiropus splendidus*);
- 60s.(C): Blue Sea Star (Bintang Laut Biru, *Linckia laevigata*);
- 60s.(D): Leopard Moray Eel (*Gymnothorax melanospilos*);

They were printed in separate sheets of 20 (pane 4 x 2 above pane 4 x 3 with horizontal gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 500,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in gutter, colour dots (x4) above R1/1 and below R5/1, 1A (x4) above R1/4 and below R5/4, Pos emblem below R5/2. 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 12.1 (upper pane) or 13.6 x 13.4 (lower pane).

Miniature sheet:

The 115mm x 70mm miniature sheet contained a 90mm x 35mm RM5 stamp showing Green Sea Turtle (Penyu Laut Hijau, *Chelonia mydas*), Robust or Blue-finned Ghost Pipefish (*Solenostomus cyanopterus*) and Thorny Seahorse (Kuda Laut Berduri, *Hippocampus hystrix*) on a background of a well-populated reef including a lobster, cuttlefish and eel. 30,000 sheets were printed. The paper was as for the counter sheets with watermark sideways reading down. The featured creatures were picked out with a non-fluorescent varnish giving a blue metallic sheen. The stamp was perforated 12.5 x 12.6.

**First day facilities:**

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Clown Fish, starfish, sea anemones and corals, as seen at the bottom left of the miniature sheet.

The special first day postmark included a cartoon crab.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.5.1	1858a	1512	60s.(A). P.13.6 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.1a	1858	-	- P.12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.2	1859a	1513	60s.(B). P.13.6 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.2a	1859	-	- P.12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.3	1860a	1514	60s.(C). P.13.6 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.3a	1860	-	- P.12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.4	1861a	1515	60s.(D). P.13.6 x 13.4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.4a	1861	-	- P.12.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.5	MS1862	MC-422M	RM5 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.6	-	MFDC-442	First day cover (1a, 2-3, 4a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.6a	-	-	- (1-2, 3a-4a).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.5.7	-	MFDC-442M	- (5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: Up to 16 combinations of stamps on first day cover may exist.

11 April 2012.**Installation of 14th King (I).**

Although the issue date was announced as 11 April, the programme stated that the "selling date" would be 12 April. This was the first occasion when a previous King (Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah) has had a second term of office.

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.: The King in ceremonial dress with royal kris (40mm x 50mm);

80s.: The King with Queen Haminah (50mm x 40mm);

RM1: The King in military dress (40mm x 50mm).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (60s., RM1: 2 in R1, above 6x3, 80s: ?) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography, blocked in gold. 520,000 60s., 120,000 80s. and 120,000 RM1 were printed.

Sheet markings have not been recorded. 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 (80s. sideways reading down). The comb perforations measured 14.1, except for the right-hand side of 60s. R1/2 and RM1 R1/2, which were 13.7.

Miniature sheets:

The 140mm x 75mm RM5 miniature sheet, showing a line drawing of the Istana Negara, contained two 40mm x 50mm stamps, which showed:

RM2: The King in ceremonial dress on the 10c. Installation stamp of 1971;

RM3: The King in ceremonial dress in 2012.

34,000 sheets were printed. The stamps were perforated 14.1 x 14.1/13.7. The watermark was upright.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the King and Queen.

The special first day postmark included the Istana Negara.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

Kedah Royal Stamp Exhibition (20 March 2013).



An exhibition was held to mark the centenary of Kedah postage stamps and the 125th anniversary of the Kedah Post Office from 20-22 March 2013 at the Alor Setar Tower. The April 2012 miniature sheet was modified by the addition of the event emblem in gold foil. The watermark was upright (as before, but inverted watermark has been reported ⁴) and the perforation 14.1 (unlike the original issue).

First day facilities:

A special “20-22 March” handstamp was provided showing the Alor Setar Tower. Sheets are known serviced on both the December 2012 Kedah anniversary first day covers.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.6.1	1863	1516	60s. P.14.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.1a	1863a	-	- P.14.1 x 14.1/13.7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.2	1864	1517	80s. P.14.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.3	1865	1518	RM1. P.14.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.3a	1865a	-	- P.14.1 x 14.1/13.7.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.4	-	-	RM2 P.14.1 x 14.1/13.7 (from 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.4a	-	-	- P.14.1. Wmk. U (from 7).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.6.4b	-	-	-- Wmk. I (from 7a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.5	-	-	RM3 P.14.1 x 14.1/13.7 (from 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.5a	-	-	- P.14.1. Wmk. U (from 7).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.5b	-	-	-- Wmk. I (from 7a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.6	MS1866	MC-443M	RM5 miniature sheet (4-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.7	MS1941a	MC-461M	RM5 exhibition miniature sheet (4a-5a). Wmk. U.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.7a	MS1941aw	-	- Wmk. I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.8	-	MFDC-443	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.6.9	-	MFDC-443M	- (6).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

24 May 2012.

Aromatic Plants.



This issue was postponed from December 2011.

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 41mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s: Kesum (*Polygonum minus*);

RM1: Peppermint (Pudina, *Mentha x piperita*).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal gutter) by Enschedé using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title in gutter, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R4/1, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/5, Pos emblem below R4/3. 312,000 60s. and 100,000 RM1 stamps were issued. The "special security stamp paper" had no watermark but had the fluorescent "cloth pattern" printing under the ink. Unlike previous use of this underprint (which fluoresced green), it glowed red. The comb perforations measured 14.8 x 14.1 with an ellipse at the sides. The top margin was perforated through and the right margin had a single extension hole; other margins were not recorded.

Miniature sheet:

The 120mm x 80mm miniature sheet contained at 30mm x 41mm RM5 stamp. it showed Kaffir Lime (Limau purut, *Citrus hystrix*). 40,000 were printed. The sheet emitted a citrus scent when scratched. The paper was as used for the counter sheets. The stamp was perforated 14.1 x 14.8.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Torch Ginger (Kantan, *Etilingera elatior*).

The special first day postmark included Peppermint leaves.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.7.1	1867	1519	60s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.7.2	1868	1520	RM1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.7.3	MS1869	MC-444M	RM5 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.7.4	-	MFDC-444	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.7.5	-	MFDC-444M	- (3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

4 June 2012.

World Gas Conference 2012.



The World Gas Conference is held triennially by the International Gas Union. The 25th WGC was hosted by the Malaysian Gas Association and sponsored by PETRONAS on 4-8 June 2012 in Kuala Lumpur. On the theme of “Gas: Sustaining Global Growth”, this was the first time that it had been held in South East Asia. Malaysia is the world’s third-largest producer of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).

Designed by Johan Design Associates, this issue comprised four counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

Although issued in separate sheets, the 30mm x 40mm counter sheet stamps formed a composite design which showed a planet divided into four sectors:

- 60s.(A): (top left) “Securing Gas Supply” - LPG storage tank and methane molecular model;
- 60s.(B): (top right) “Enhancing Gas Demand” - Kuala Lumpur skyline;
- 60s.(C): (bottom left) “A Sustainable Future” - pipeline and tree;
- 60s.(D): (bottom right) “Foundation for Growth” - young people and map of Asia/Australasia.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 2 x 5 with vertical gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus grey). 350,000 stamps of each 60s. design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in broad top margin, 1A (x5) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/4, colour dots (x5) to right of R1/4 and left of R5/1, Pos emblem at foot of gutter. 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 12.8 x 12.6. The bottom, left and right margins were perforated through; top and gutter were imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Petronas Twin Towers and a tree. 30,000 were printed. The brochures were made too long to fit in the envelope and the stamps were applied to the covers in landscape layout although the design was intended to be portrait format.

The special first day postmark included a methane molecular model.

The folder was sold at RM5.50. 1800 were printed.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.8.1	1870	1523	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.8.2	1871	1524	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.8.3	1872	1522	60s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.8.4	1873	1521	60s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.8.5	-	MFDC-445	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21 June 2012.

Traditional Livelihoods.



Following deferral of the proposed state definitives, this issue was brought forward from 12 July.

Designed by Peter Chuah P.K. for Orient Communications, this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant stamps and a booklet.

Counter sheets:

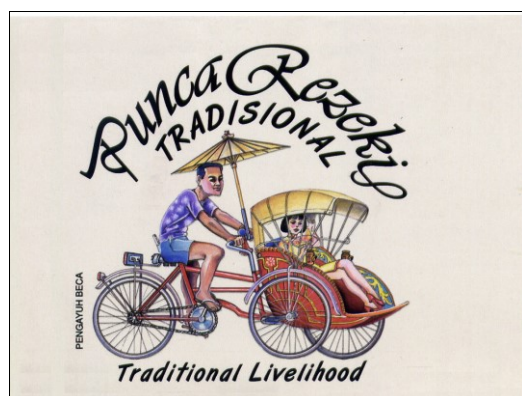
The 35mm square counter sheet stamps showed:

- 80s.(A): Paper craftsman;

- 80s.(B): Fortune-teller;
 RM1(A): Satay vendor;
 RM1(B): "Nasi Kandar" (Penang steamed rice dish) vendor.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (6 x 4 less central block of 4) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 200,000 stamps of each 80s. design and 200,000 of each RM1 design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in place of R2-3/2-3, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/6, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/6 and left of R4/1 and Pos emblem below R4/2-3. 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 13.25. All four margins were perforated through.

Booklet:



The RM6 booklet contained 10 stamps with five 60s. designs in two rows with different sequences (top A-F, bottom D-E, A-C):

- 60s.(A): "Lemang" (Malay coconut rice cooked in bamboo) vendor;
 60s.(B): Sweet vendor;
 60s.(C): Traditional medicine maker;
 60s.(D): "Pasembor" (mixed salad and savouries in peanut sauce, also known as mamak rojak) vendor;
 60s.(E): Laundry man.

50,000 were printed. The paper was as for the counter sheets. The watermark was sideways reading up or down. The cover shows a trishaw driver with a Chinese girl passenger.

First day facilities:

- The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a money lender.
 The special first day postmark included a person carrying loads on a pole.
 The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.9.1	1876w	-	60s.(A). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.1a	1876	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.2	1877w	-	60s.(B). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.2a	1877	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.3	1878w	-	60s.(C). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.3a	1878	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.4	1879w	-	60s.(D). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.4a	1879	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.5	1880w	-	60s.(E). Wmk. SU.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.5a	1880	-	- Wmk. SD.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.6	-	-	Se-tenant strip of five (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.6a	-	-	- (1a-5a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.7	SB29a ⁵	SB113	RM6 booklet (two 6).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.7a	SB29 ⁶	-	- (two 6a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.8	1881	1525	80s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.9	1882	1526	80s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.9.10	1881a	-	Se-tenant pair (8-9).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.11	1883	1527	RM1(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.12	1884	1528	RM1(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.13	1883a	-	Se-tenant pair (11-12).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.9.14	-	MFDC-447	First day cover (10, 13).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21 June 2012.

Installation of 14th King (II).

(reduced by 50%)

A further issue not sent to SODA account holders was a second commemorative issue marking the installation of the 14th King. Uncredited, but probably by Hazel Design, this issue comprised a single se-tenant sheetlet.

Sheetlet stamps:

The stamps showed:

RM1(A): 11th King (R1/1) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(B): 12th King (R1/2) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(C): 13th King (R1/3) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(D): 10th King (R2/1) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(E): 1st King (R2/4) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(F): 9th King (R3/1) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(G): 2nd King (R3/4) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(H): 8th King (R4/1) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(I): 3rd King (R4/4) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(J): 7th King (R5/1) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(K): 6th King (R5/2) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(L): 5th King (R5/3) (35mm x 35mm);RM1(M): 4th King (R5/4) (35mm x 35mm);RM5: 14th King (R2/2-3, R3/2-3) (70mm x 70mm);

They were printed by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography plus hot gold blocking. 15,000 sheets were printed. The RM1 stamps with monochrome portraits were arranged on the sheet in a rectangle around the quadruple-size RM5 stamp with full-colour portrait, with a double-sized label bearing the issue title occupying positions R4/2-3. The blank position (R1/4) was occupied by the Malaysian coat of arms blocked in gold. Other sheet markings were the issue title and coat of arms at top right, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/4, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/4 and left of R5/1, Pos emblem below R5/2-3). 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 perforations measured 13.2.

First day facilities:

The sheet was only sold in a presentation folder at a premium price of RM30.

No official first day cover or postmark has been reported.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.10.1	footnote	-	RM1(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.2		-	RM1(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.3		-	RM1(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.4		-	RM1(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.5		-	RM1(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.6		-	RM1(F).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.7		-	RM1(G).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.8		-	RM1(H).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.9		-	RM1(I).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.10		-	RM1(J).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.11		-	RM1(K).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.12		-	RM1(L).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.13		-	RM1(M).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.14		-	RM5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.10.15	-	MC-443SH	Presentation pack (1-14).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16 July 2012.**Malaysian Currency (II).**

This issue replaced Traditional Livelihoods, which had been pulled-forward to June. The issue features the “Fourth Series” coins and notes issued in 2011.

Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised four counter sheets and two sheetlets, both with se-tenant designs.

Counter sheets:

The 35mm x 40mm (35mm across faces) hexagonal counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): 5s. coin obverse - Hibiscus;

60s.(B): 10s. coin obverse - Hibiscus;

60s.(C): 20s. coin obverse - Hibiscus;

60s.(D): 50s. coin obverse - Hibiscus;

60s.(E): 5s. coin reverse - Destar Siga motif (geometric Sabah Kadazan-Dusun design);

60s.(F): 10s. coin reverse - Orang Asli motif (weave);

60s.(G): 20s. coin reverse - Bunga Melur motif (jasmine);

60s.(H): 50s. coin reverse - Sulur Kacang motif (pea tendrils);

They were printed in sheets of 20 (four panes of 5 interlocked stamps) by Enschedé using standard four-colour off-set lithography with hot foil blocking/embossing. The obverse designs appear in the upper two panes and the reverse in the lower two panes. 400,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were colour hexagons (x4) to left and right of R1 and R6. The 102gsm OBA-free paper gave no reaction under ultra-violet light, but was overprinted with a yellow-green phosphor pattern of squares. The 50s. coin stamp exists with the overprint in red phosphor as used on the miniature sheets. All the stamps exist with the phosphor on the top half of the stamp, the bottom half of the stamp or

both, as it was applied in a band across the middle row of each pane. The paper had no watermark. The perforations measured 14.0.



Sheetlets:

Two 95mm x 270mm sheetlets were also issued, each containing three se-tenant 100mm x 70mm miniature sheets:

- RM5(A): RM1 note - Moon Kite;
- RM5(B): RM5 note - Rhinoceros Hornbill;
- RM5(C): RM10 note - Rafflesia Azlanii;
- RM5(D): RM20 note - Leatherback and Hawksbill turtles;
- RM5(E): RM50 note - Palm oil and biotechnology;
- RM5(F): RM100 note - Gunung Kinabalu and Gunung Api.

The sheetlet background showed the creatures, etc., depicted on the notes. 50,000 of each sheetlet design were printed. The miniature sheets were rouletted around to enable their separation for use on covers, etc. Designs A, E, D were in one sheet and F, B, C in the other. Each miniature sheet contained a 60mm x 40mm stamp showing the other (portrait) side of the note including the King and a Hibiscus flower. The RM10, RM20 and RM50 notes included silver bands as on the original notes. All the miniature sheets have a red phosphor security marking in place of a watermark. The stamps were perforated 14.2 x 13.4.

**First day facilities:**

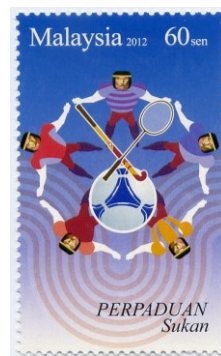
The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the four coins' obverse motifs.

The special first day postmark included the Sulur Kacang motif.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.11.1	1885	1529	60s.(A). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.1a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.1b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.2	1887	1531	60s.(B). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.2a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.2b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.3	1889	1533	60s.(C). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.3a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.3b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4	1891	1535	60s.(D). Green phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4a	-	-	- Green phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4b	-	-	- Green phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4c	-	-	- Red phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4d	-	-	- Red phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.4e	-	-	- Red phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.5	1886	1530	60s.(E). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.5a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.5b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.6	1888	1532	60s.(F). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.6a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.6b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.7	1890	1534	60s.(G). Phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.7a	-	-	- Phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.7b	-	-	- Phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8	1892	1536	60s.(H). Green phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8a	-	-	- Green phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8b	-	-	- Green phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8c	-	-	- Red phosphor top and bottom.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8d	-	-	- Red phosphor top only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.8e	-	-	- Red phosphor bottom only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.11.9		-	RM5(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.10		-	RM5(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.11		-	RM5(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.12		-	RM5(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.13		-	RM5(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.14		-	RM5(F).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.15	MS1892a	MC-448SH ⁷	Sheetlet (9, 12-13).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.16	MS1892b	-	Sheetlet (10-11, 14).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.17	-	MFDC-448	First day cover (1, 2b, 3, 4b, 5b, 6, 7a, 8).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.17a	-	-	- (1a, 2b, 3, 4b, 5, 6a, 7b, 8a).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.18	-	-	- (9).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.19	-	-	- (10).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.20	-	-	- (11).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.21	-	-	- (12).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.22	-	-	- (13).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.11.23	-	-	- (14).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

30 August 2012.**Malaysian Unity (II).**

This issue was originally announced for 12 September.

Designed by Multimedia University, this issue comprised four counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 30mm x 50mm counter sheet stamps showed:

- 60s.(A): Unity Through Language (five people reading the same book);
- 60s.(B): Unity Through Sport (five people, football, hockey stick and badminton racket);
- 60s.(C): Unity Through Dance (five dancers in different costumes);
- 60s.(D): Unity Through Co-operation (five people with paddles stirring a common pot).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (5 x 4) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 300,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in top margin, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/5, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R4/1, designer and Pos emblems in bottom margin. 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 13.4 x 13.6; left and right margins perforated through, top and bottom imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured "1" and an abstract design.

The special first day postmark included three hands on a ball.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.12.1	1893	1537	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.12.2	1894	1538	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.12.3	1895	1539	60s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.12.4	1896	1440	60s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.12.5		MFDC-449	First day cover (1-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

13 September 2012.

Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II & Royal Visit.



Prince William and Princess Catherine, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, visited Malaysia from 13-15 September 2012 as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee World Tour. It was reported that, because of late deliveries of the stamps, first day facilities were only available at Kuala Lumpur GPO. This issue was an added starter.

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheetlets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheetlets:

The 40mm x 50mm counter sheetlet stamps showed:

RM1.50(A): 1953 Selangor Coronation stamp;

RM1.50(B): Prince William, Duke of Cambridge and Princess Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge.

They were printed in sheets of 10 (two panes 5 x 1) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus silver). 150,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were the issue title in the horizontal gutter (originally "LAWATAN DIRAJA PUTERA WILLIAM & KATE / ROYAL VISIT PRINCE WILLIAM & KATE", this was amended during production to "LAWATAN DIRAJA / ROYAL VISIT TRH THE DUKE & DUCHESS OF CAMBRIDGE"), 1A (x 4) to left of R1/1 and right of R2/5, colour dots (x 4) to right of R1/5 and left of R2/1, Pos emblem below R2/3. 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 14.1; the top margin was imperforate and the rest perforated through.

Variety:

The following variety has been reported:

No.	Value	Position	Variety
v1	RM1.50(A)	R1/1, R2/1	Left-most vertical line of perforations displaced 2mm to right, producing narrow first column on both rows. ⁸

Miniature sheet:

The 140mm x 70mm RM5 miniature sheet contained 41mm x 50mm RM2.50 versions of the two stamps in an ornamental frame which was also used for the counter sheet. Design B differed from the counter sheet in that the Duke and Duchess's portraits were enclosed in an oval frame. 38,500 sheets were printed. The paper was as for the counter sheets.



Thailand 2013 Stamp Exhibition (2 August 2013).

The Royal Visit miniature sheet was reprinted with a picture of a perambulator in the centre to mark the birth of Prince George and released during the exhibition. Technical details were as for the original issue.



First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Union Flags, crown and Queen’s silhouette.

The special first day postmark included St. Edward’s Crown and the Queen’s monogram.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

In Alor Star, Alan Teh reports, the post office staff removed the gutter margins from all the sheets and limited customers to just one miniature sheet, but they still all sold out by 11am.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.13.1	1897	1542	RM1.50(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.2	1898	1541	RM1.50(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.3	-	-	RM2.50(A) (from 5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.4	-	-	RM2.50(B) (from 5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.5	MS1899	MC-450M	Miniature sheet (3-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.6	MS1963	-	Exhibition miniature sheet (3-4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.7	-	MFDC-450	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.13.7	-	MFDC-450M	- (5).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

27 September 2012.

Malaysian Festivals (II).



The issue was originally scheduled for 12 August.

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised five counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 40mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Hari Raya Aidiladha (the end of the Mecca pilgrimage);

60s.(B): Moon Cake Festival (Chinese harvest festival);

60s.(C): Thaipusam (Hindu day of atonement);

60s.(D): Pesta Kaul (Sarawak festival);

60s.(E): Regatta Lepa (Sabah boat carnival).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal gutter) by Enschedé using standard four-colour off-set lithography with “Glitter Foil” blocking to enhance elements of the designs. 350,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in gutter, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/5, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R4/1, Pos emblem below R4/3. The Special Security Stamp Paper gave negligible fluorescence under ultra-violet light, but each stamp received a horizontal yellow-green fluorescent phosphor band across the bottom. The paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.3 x 14.0. The top, bottom and right margins were perforated through; left not seen.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a Christmas Tree.

The special first day postmark included children's heads.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.14.1	1900	1543	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.14.2	1901	1544	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.14.3	1902	1545	60s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.12.16	1903	1546	60s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.14.5	1904	1547	60s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.14.6	-	MFDC-451	First day cover (1-5).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7 October 2012.

750th Anniversary of Malacca.



This was a late addition to the programme, marking the 750th anniversary of founding of the city by Parameswara.

Designed by Peter Chuah for Orient Communications, this issue comprised two counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 70mm x 25mm counter sheet stamps showed:

50s.: Cheng Hoon Teng Temple, Harmony Street (1646).

90s.: Masjid Kampung Hulu, Harmony Street (1728).

They were printed in sheets of 15 (3 x 5) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 300,000 50s. stamps and 120,000 90s. were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in broad top margin, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/3, colour dots (x4) to the right of R1/3 and left of R5/1 and the Pos emblem below R5/2. 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 12.1. The bottom and right margins were perforated through; top and left not seen.

For a 90s. stamp with an additional emblem, see below.

Miniature sheet:

The 110mm x 80mm RM7.50 miniature sheet exploited the "750" theme and contained a 70mm x 35mm 750s. stamp showing the Governor's Museum (Stadthuys) (17th Century) on a background of an old map. It had "Malaysia 2012" and "750sen" blocked in silver. The paper was as for counter sheets. The sheet was perforated 13.2.

The sheet was issued in two types. On Type I sheets, the top right showed an uninterrupted map of Borneo. 30,000 were printed.



On Type II sheets, the mouse deer and tree vignette from the 1957 Definitive Issue was superimposed, possibly to reduce the visual impact of that part of the map. 10,000 were printed.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the Masjid Selat and the Masjid Kampung Hulu.
 The special first day postmark included a sailing ship.
 The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.15.1	1905	1548	50s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.15.2	1906	1549	90s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.15.3	MS1907	MC-452M	750s. miniature sheet. Type I.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.15.4	MS1908	MC-453M	- Type II.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.15.5	-	MFDC-452	First day cover (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.15.6	-	MFDC-452M	- (3).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

City of Museums – Malacca and Jogja (24 May 2014).



Originally announced as “Visit Malaysia Year 2013” for issue on 13 August 2013, this tourism issue became “World Tourism Conference 2013” by March 2013 with an issue date of 21 October. It was then replaced by a cover for “City of Museums” on 7 October, later changed to 9 October, before being postponed indefinitely. It then reappeared in 2014 as a joint issue with Indonesia to highlight the similar status of Malacca and Jogja (Yogyakarta) as museum cities. Based on a 2012 design by Peter Chuah, this issue comprised one counter sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 70mm x 25mm counter sheet stamps showed:

90s.: Masjid Kampung Hulu, Harmony Street (1728), as issued in 2012, but with the addition of the event emblem. They were printed in sheets of 15 (3 x 5) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 120,000 were printed. Sheet markings were issue title in top margin, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/3, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/3 and left of R5/1, Pos emblem below R5/2. 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 12.1; the top margin being imperforate and the rest perforated through.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the map used on the 2012 miniature sheet and pictures of museums in both cities. An identical cover but in Bahasa Indonesia was issued by the Indonesian postal authority. 35,000 were printed.

The special first day postmark included the two types of trishaw (passenger in sidecar or in front).
 There was no folder.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.16.1	2019	-	90s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.16.2	-	-	First day cover (1).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

22 October 2012.

Postmen's Uniforms.



Originally scheduled for 9 October to mark World Post Day, this was later postponed to 22 October. Designed by Peter Chuah for Orient Communications, this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 45mm x 35mm counter sheet stamps incorporated the UPU and contemporary post office emblem and showed:

60s.: 1950s postman with bicycle;

80s.: 1970s postman with motorcycle;

RM1(A): 1990s postman with motorcycle.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (4 x 6 with four positions occupied by illustration) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 350,000 60s. stamps, 120,000 80s. and 120,000 RM1 stamps were printed. Sheet markings were issue title and airmail edging (as on the miniature sheet) in top margin, reproductions of groups of four of the 1949 UPU stamps, the three sheets including one for each state except Malacca, plus North Borneo and Sarawak, in place of R1-2/2-3, 1A (x4) to the left of R1/1 and right of R6/4, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/4 and left of R6/1, Pos emblem below R6/2. 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 12.5 x 12.7. The top margin was imperforate; the remainder being perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

The 120mm x 85mm miniature sheet contained two stamps, a 45mm x 35mm RM1(B) showing a modern postman with motorcycle and a 90mm x 35mm RM2 showing five early postmen. 35,000 sheets were printed. The paper was as for the counter sheets. The RM1 was perforated 12.5 x 12.7, while the RM2 was 12.5/12.1 x 12.7.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured three postmen.

The special first day postmark included a quill and scroll.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.17.1	1909	1550	60s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.2	1910	1551	80s.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.3	1911	1552	RM1(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.4	-	-	RM1(B) (from miniature sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.5	-	-	RM2 (from miniature sheet).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.6	MS1912	MC-454M	RM3 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.7	-	MFDC-454	First day cover (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.17.8	-	MFDC-454M	- (6).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

19 November 2012.

Stamp Week - Children's Hobbies.



Stamp week was held from 19-25 November. This issue was originally scheduled for 5 November. The television cartoon series “BoBoiBoy” was the first output from Animonsta Studios, a Malaysian animation company based in Cyberjaya. It was launched in March 2011 in Bahasa and English versions. The basic story was that a coffee (later cocoa)-addicted alien, Adu Du, had made his way to Earth. BoBoiBoy had superpower and was able to separate into three incarnations. With his friends, Ying, Yaya, Gopal and Fang, he was trying to protect the earth from the alien’s attempts to conquer the Earth for its cocoa beans.

Designed by Animonsta Studios Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheetlets with se-tenant pairs and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheetlets:

The 40mm x 30mm counter sheetlet stamps showed:

60s.(A): BoBoiBoy playing football;

60s.(B): Ochobot Fishing;

60s.(C): Fang playing music (drum kit and electric guitar);

60s.(D): Gopal Kumar taking a photograph (camera and telescope);

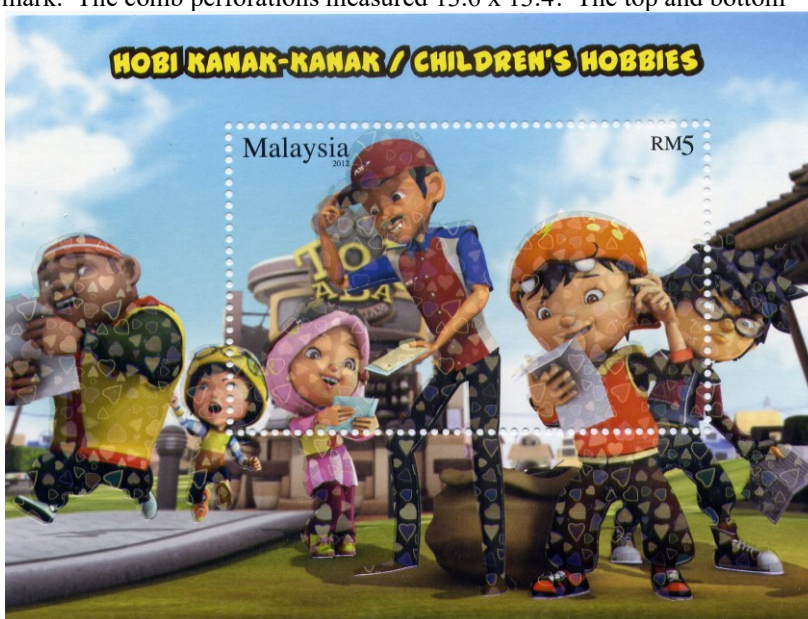
60s.(E): YaYaYah baking biscuits.

60s.(F): Ying stamp collecting;

They were printed in sheetlets of 10 (2 x 5) by Enschedé using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 800,000 of each stamp design were printed. Sheet markings were the issue title in the top margin, “BoBoi Boy” emblem below R5/1, plus Stamp Week emblem and children below R5/2. The OBA-free 102gsm PVA gummed paper was overprinted with a single central phosphor band over each stamp that gave a yellow-green fluorescent reaction and after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.4. The top and bottom margins were imperforate and the side margins perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

There was a 120mm x 90mm RM5 Type I miniature sheet containing a single 70mm x 45mm stamp showing orienteering. It was printed by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography with holographic foil over all the children. 50,000 Type I sheets were printed. 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 stamp is perforated 12.1.



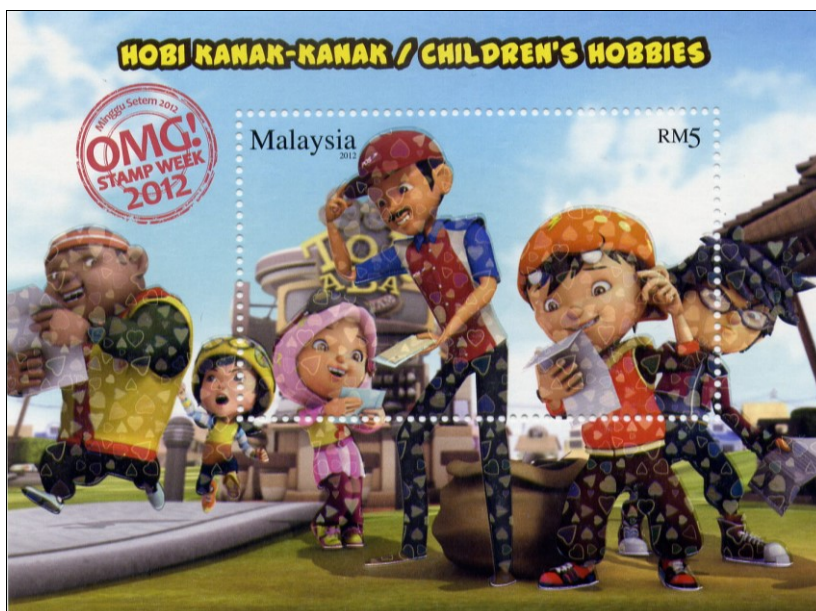
20,000 Type II sheets were printed with an “OMG! Stamp Week 2012” emblem.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured football.

The special first day postmark included the six children from the stamps. Seven different designs of first day postmark were used showing individual children.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.18.1	1921	1561	60s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.2	1922	1562	60s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.3	1921a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.4	1923	1563	60s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.5	1924	1564	60s.(D).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.6	1923a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.7	1925	1565	60s.(E).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.8	1926	1566	60s.(F).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.9	1925a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.10	MS1927	MC-456M	RM5 miniature sheet (Type I).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.11	MS1927a	MC-457M	- (Type II).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.12	-	MFDC-456	First day cover (3, 6, 9).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.18.13	-	MFDC-456M	- (10).	-	<input type="checkbox"/>

20 December 2012.

Postal History of Kedah.



This was not in the original programme, and marks both the centenary of Kedah stamps and 125th anniversary of postal services. Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 35mm x 29mm counter sheet stamps showed:

90s.(A): Rice sheaf 1c.;

90s.(B): Ploughman 50c.;

90s.(C): “Council Chamber” (Balai Besar, Alor Star) \$5.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal broad gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. 140,000 stamps of each design were printed. Sheet markings were issue title, stamp and map of Kedah in gutter, Kedah flag above R1/2 and R1/4, Kedah arms above R1/3, illustrations of other values in the same design to left and right of R2-R4 and below R4/2 and R4/4, Pos emblem below R4/3, colour dots (x4) above R1/1 and below R4/1, 1A (x4) above R1/5 and below R4/5. 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 14.1 (plus elliptical) x 13.8. The left margin was perforated through; other margins have not yet been seen.

Miniature sheet:

The 120mm x 75mm miniature sheet showed a Siamese 4 Atts postal stationery card addressed to Penang, with a 27 October 1887 Kedah postmark on which the 28mm x 38mm RM3 stamp is centred. 50,000 were printed. The paper was as for the counter sheets but with watermark sideways reading down. The sheet was perforated 14.3.

**First day facilities:**

The two first day covers, sold at 50s. each, featured a range of Kedah stamps for use with the stamps or a picture of Alor Star Post Office for use with the miniature sheet. Because this was a public holiday in Johore, covers were not available there until the following day.

The special first day postmark included a replica postmark.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
12.19.1	1928	1567	90s.(A).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.19.2	1929	1568	90s.(B).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.19.3	1930	1569	90s.(C).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.19.4	MS1931	MC-458M	RM3 miniature sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.19.5	-	MFDC-458	First day cover (A) (1-3).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12.19.6	-	MFDC-458M	- (B) (4).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

NOTES

- 1 2012 figures were released by Pos Malaysia Berhad and first published by Andrew Leong Fook Chee in The Malaysian Philatelist Vol.2 2012.
- 2 Number refers to pair of sheets.
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- 4 Reported by Mr. M. Kingsland.
- 5 SG listed the booklet pane as 1876wa.
- 6 SG listed the booklet pane as 1876a.
- 7 Number refers to pair of sheets.
- 8 Shown by "Southern Philatelist" on Facebook.