

## **FACT SHEET**

### **Special Stamp Issue –**

**“70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China”**

**on 1 October 2019**

Hongkong Post issues a set of four special stamps and a stamp sheetlet on the theme “70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China”. Putting the four triangular stamps together is a diamond shape resembling a delicate traditional *ruyi* knot, which signifies the spirit of unity and warm wishes for wellbeing and harmony, and aligns on the souvenir sheet with a stylized number “7” to compose the number “70” to highlight the theme of the anniversary. On the stamp sheetlet, the Golden Bauhinia Square stands in the background of festive colours with the national and regional flags flying side by side. In addition, China Post, Macao Post and Telecommunications and Hongkong Post will jointly issue a stamp booklet containing three respective stamp sheetlets in se-tenant style to showcase the shared joy in celebrating this special day.

This special stamp issue is designed by a local stamp designer, Mr. Bon KWAN, for Hongkong Post. The set of 4 stamps and souvenir sheet are printed in lithography by Cartor Security Printing of France, and the stamp sheetlet is printed in photogravure by Beijing Postage Stamp Printing House, the People’s Republic of China.

From 17 September 2019, Official First Day Covers will be put on sale at \$1.30 each at all post offices and the stamps and the associated philatelic products will be displayed at the General Post Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers

will be accepted at all philatelic offices from 17 to 23 September 2019, with collection date on 2 October 2019.

### **Additional Advance Order Service**

From 17 September to 1 October 2019, customers may additionally order this set of special stamps and associated philatelic products together with an exceptional set of serviced first day covers with special stamps and postmarks of all 38 philatelic offices. Order forms are available at all post offices and Hongkong Post web site, and have been sent to account customers. The order deadline is 1 October 2019 and ordered products will be ready for collection by customers as from 30 October 2019.

### **Sales Arrangements at Post Offices**

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below::

<i>Products</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on 2 - 3 October 2019</i>
<b><i>(A) Products Available at <u>all Post Offices</u></i></b>			
First Day Cover	\$1.30	17 September 2019 to 31 December 2019	No restriction
Mint Stamps (a set of 4 stamps: \$2, \$3.70, \$4.90 and \$5)	\$15.60	2 October 2019 to 31 December 2019	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each

			denomination)
Souvenir Sheet	\$15.60		10 sheets
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 stamp)	\$10		10 sheets
Presentation Pack (containing a set of 4 stamps)	\$30		5 packs
Souvenir Pack (containing a souvenir sheet and a stamp sheetlet)	\$43		5 packs
Stamp Booklet (containing 3 stamp sheetlets each from China Post, Macao Post and Telecommunications and Hongkong Post presented in se-tenant style)	\$40		5 packs
<b><i>(B) Products Available at <u>Philatelic Offices</u> only</i></b>			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of 4 stamps and date-stamped with associated special postmark	\$19.40	2 October 2019 to 31 December 2019	5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover	\$19.40		5 covers

affixed with a souvenir sheet and date-stamped with associated special postmark			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a stamp sheetlet and date-stamped with associated special postmark	\$13.80		5 covers

### **Date-stamping Arrangements**

No hand-back date-stamping service will be provided at post offices.

Information about the special stamps and associated philatelic products is available on the Hongkong Post website at [www.hongkongpost.hk](http://www.hongkongpost.hk) and from any post office, the Hongkong Post mobile app and the Hongkong Post Philatelic Bureau hotline on 2785 5711.