

Special Stamp Issue – “Development of Railway Services in Hong Kong”

(23 November 2023)

This set of special stamps is designed by Mr LI Shik-kwong, Ken. The mint stamps and \$10 Stamp Sheetlet are printed in lithography whilst the \$20 Stamp Sheetlet is printed in lithography plus 3D embossing and spot varnishing by Joh. Enschedé Stamps B.V., the Netherlands.

Official first day covers will be put on sale at **\$2.5 each at all post offices** from **9 November 2023**. Display of the special stamps and associated philatelic products will be put up at General Post Office (GPO), Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office from 16 November 2023 for public’s view. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers will be accepted at all philatelic offices from 9 November 2023 to 15 November 2023.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

<i>Products</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price (HKD)</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer for the First Two Days of Issue</i>
<i>(A) Products Available at all Post Offices</i>			
<u>“Development of Railway Services in Hong Kong” Special Stamps</u>			
First Day Cover	\$2.50	9 November 2023 to 22 February 2024	No restriction
Mint Stamps (a set of six denominations)	\$23.60	23 November 2023 to 22 February 2024	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination)

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Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 mint stamp)	\$10		5 sheets
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$20 mint stamp)	\$20		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$2.20 self-adhesive stamps)	\$8.80		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$2.80 self-adhesive stamps)	\$11.20		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$3.70 self-adhesive stamps)	\$14.80		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$4 self-adhesive stamps)	\$16		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$5.40 self-adhesive stamps)	\$21.60		5 sheets
Self-adhesive Stamp Sheetlet (containing four \$5.50 self-adhesive stamps)	\$22		5 sheets
Presentation Pack (containing a set of mint stamps in six denominations, a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet)	\$77		5 packs

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<i>(B) Products Available at <u>Philatelic Offices</u> only</i>			
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations (date-stamped with the associated special postmark)	\$28.60	23 November 2023 to 22 February 2024	5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations (date-stamped with the associated colour postmark)	\$28.60		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with the associated special postmark)	\$15		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with the associated colour postmark)	\$15		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with the associated special postmark)	\$25		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with the associated colour postmark)	\$25		5 covers
Postage Prepaid Picture Cards (Air Mail) (containing a set of eight cards)	\$84		5 sets

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service with the office date-stamp and the special postmarks will be provided on 23 November 2023 at all post offices for official first day covers/souvenir covers/privately made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and its respective philatelic office pictorial postmark. The GPO-1 date-stamp impression will only be available at the GPO.

Collection points will be set up at all post offices on 23 November 2023 for submission of official first day covers/souvenir covers/privately made covers requesting hand-back date-stamping service.

Information about this set of special stamps and associated philatelic products is available on the Hongkong Post Stamps website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) and in the “ShopThruPost” mobile app.