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Handwritten number: ११

Embossed circular seal with text:   
कारखाना   
भूमि   
होलकर   
रकर

Faint embossed text:   
कारखाना   
भूमि   
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## INDORE

The Indore State is in Central India with an area of 9934 sq. miles and with a population of 1,514,000. The state was founded early in the 18th century to Malhar Rao Holkar, a peasant's son who worked his way up to a cavalry command in the army of the Mahartha Peshwa. He was in 1694 in a shepherded family, at the village of Hol near Poona, and from this family derives its surname of Holkar.

In 1818 by the treaty of Mandason, the state transferred to the British Government its suzerainty over a number of minor tributary states, and acknowledged the British Protectorate. For many years the administration of the Holkar Princess was troubled by constant quarrels, misrule and dynastic contentions, necessitating the frequent interposition of British authority.

The city of Indore is situated on the river Sarswati and is one of the most important trading centres in Central India, with many cotton mills, besides palaces and gardens.

The first stamp of Indore with the portrait of Maharaja Tukoji Rao II Holkar XI was issued in 1886. Printed by Waterlow & Sons. Litho. Perf. 15.



THICK WHITE PAPER

½ a. bright mauve

INDORE

The first stamp of Indore with the portrait of Maharaja Tukoji Rao II Holkar XI was issued in 1886. Printed by Waterlow & Sons. Litho. Perf. 15.

THIN WHITE OR YELLOWISH PAPER

1/2 a. pale mauve

1/2 a. dull mauve



## INDORE

In 1889 a stamp was issued in different design without the portrait of Maharaja. It looks like a seal. There were two types in this issue.

$\frac{1}{2}$  a. black on pink



Note : In addition to the difference in the top line character (marked by arrow), the two Types can be distinguished by the difference in the angles of the 6-pointed stars and the appearance of the lettering. In Type I the top characters are smaller and more cramped than the bottom; in Type II both are in the same style and similarly spaced.

# INDORE

In 1889-92 the stamps of Indore were again changed with the portrait of Maharaja Shivaji Rao Holkar XII.  
Printed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. Reccs.  
Medium Wove paper. Perf. 14 to 15.

$\frac{1}{4}$  a. orange

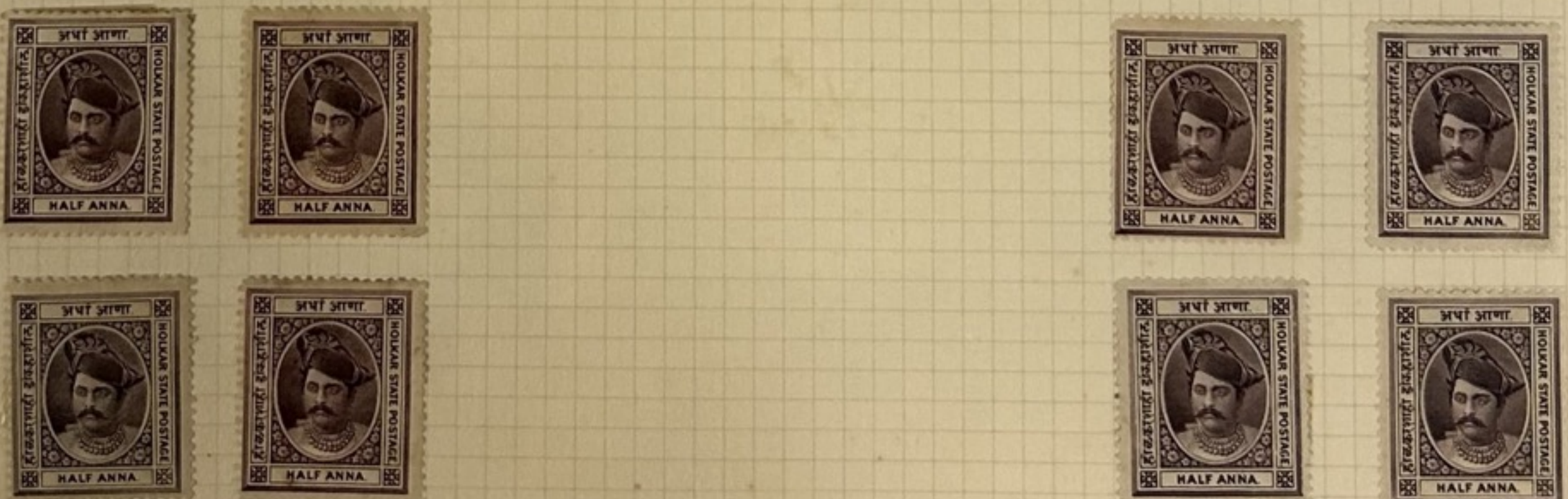


a. Imperf between pair



a. Very thick wove paper

$\frac{1}{2}$  a. dull violet





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Printed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. Recess.

Medium Wove paper. Perf. 14 to 15.

2 a. vermilion



a. Very thick wove paper

# INDORE

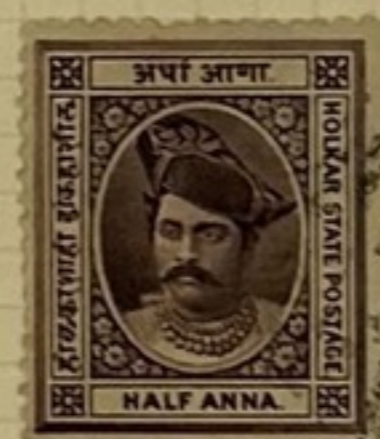
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$\frac{1}{4}$  a. orange



b. Very thick wove paper

$\frac{1}{2}$  a. dull violet



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Medium Wove paper. Perf. 14 to 15.

*a. Brown-purple*



IMPERF



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Printed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. Recces.

Medium Wove paper. Perf. 14 to 15.

1 a. green



2 a. vermillion



INDORE

In 1904 the stamps of Indore were again changed with the portrait of Maharaja Tukoji Rao III Holkar XIII. Printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. Recess Printing. Perf. 13½, 14.



PAIR  
≡

¼ a. orange

½ a. lake.

1 a. green



2 a. brown



3 a. violet



4 a. ultramarine

*[Handwritten scribbles and lines]*



**INDORE**

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*strip of 4*

¼ a. orange



½ a. lake.



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PAIR → 1 a. green



2 a. brown



3 a. violet



4 a. ultramarine

**INDORE**

In 1905 the stamps of 1889-92  $\frac{1}{2}$  a. brown-purple surcharged in black "QUARTER ANNA" in Devnagri.



Both ARE  
PAIRS



# INDORE

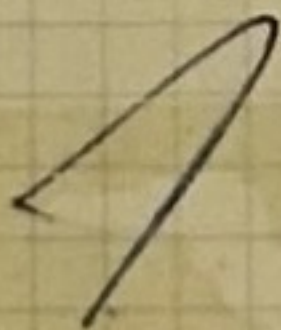
In 1928-38 the stamps of Indore were again changed with the portrait of Maharaja Yeshwant Rao II Holkar XIV. Printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. Recess. Perf. 13 to 14.



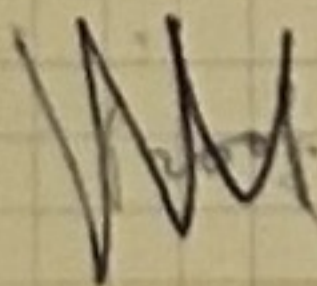
4 Block  
ERROR



3a



3 1/2 a

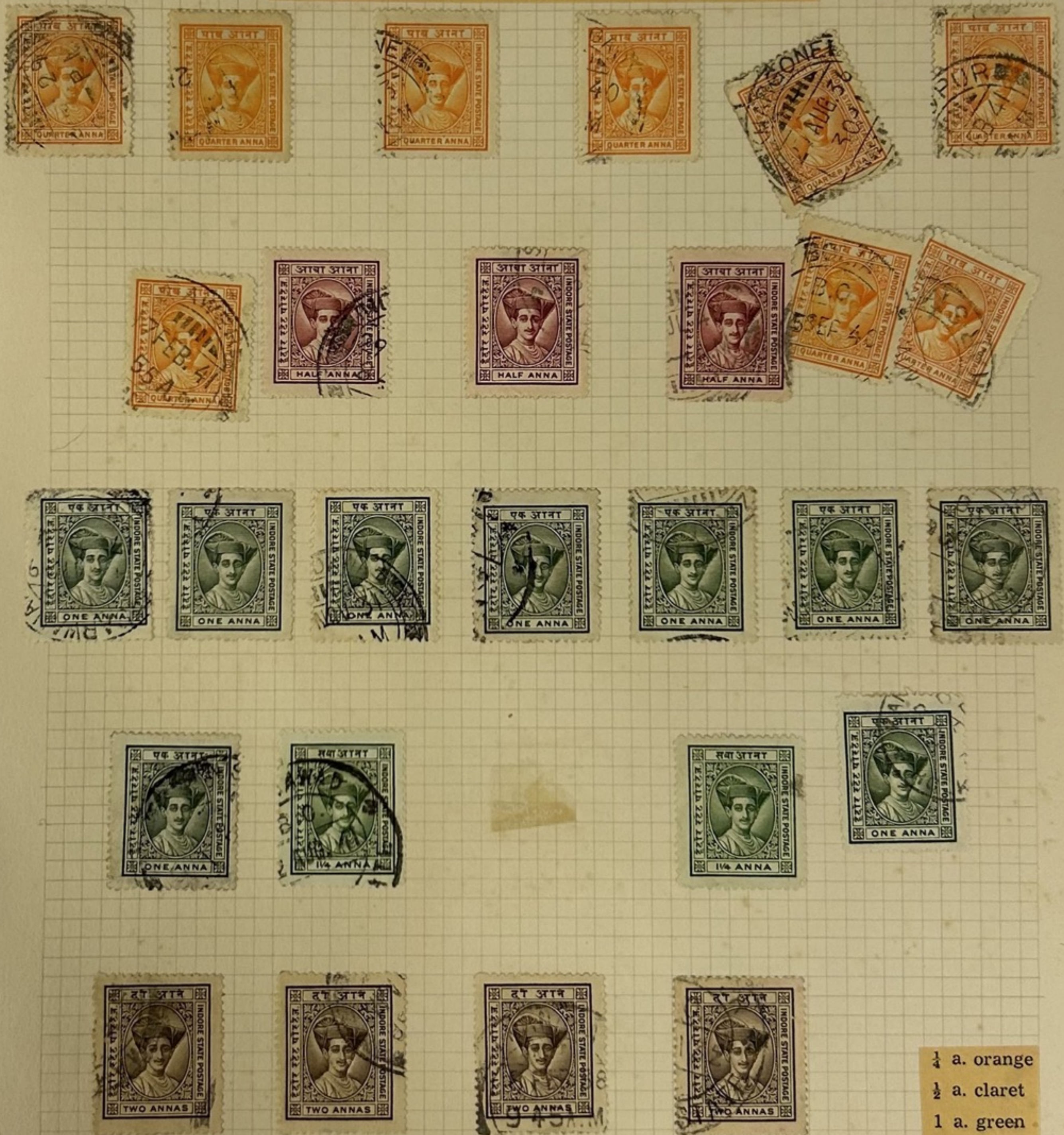




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## INDORE

In 1928-38 the stamps of Indore were again changed with the portrait of Maharaja Yeshwant Rao II Holkar XIV. Printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. Recess. Perf. 13 to 14.



- ¼ a. orange
- ½ a. claret
- 1 a. green
- 1¼ a. green
- 2. a. sepia

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In 1928-38 the stamps of Indore were again changed with the portrait of Maharaja Yeshwant Rao II Holkar XIV. Printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co. Recess. Perf. 13 to 14.



- 2. a. bluish green
- 3 a. deep violet
- 3½ a. violet
- 4 a. ultramarine
- 4 a. yellow-brown
- 8 a. slate-grey
- 8 a. red-orange
- 12 a. carmine

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INDORE

OVERPRINTED WITH NEW VALUE DIAGONALLY

In 1940, the high value stamps of 1928-38 overprinted with new value diagonally.



Provisional Issue.

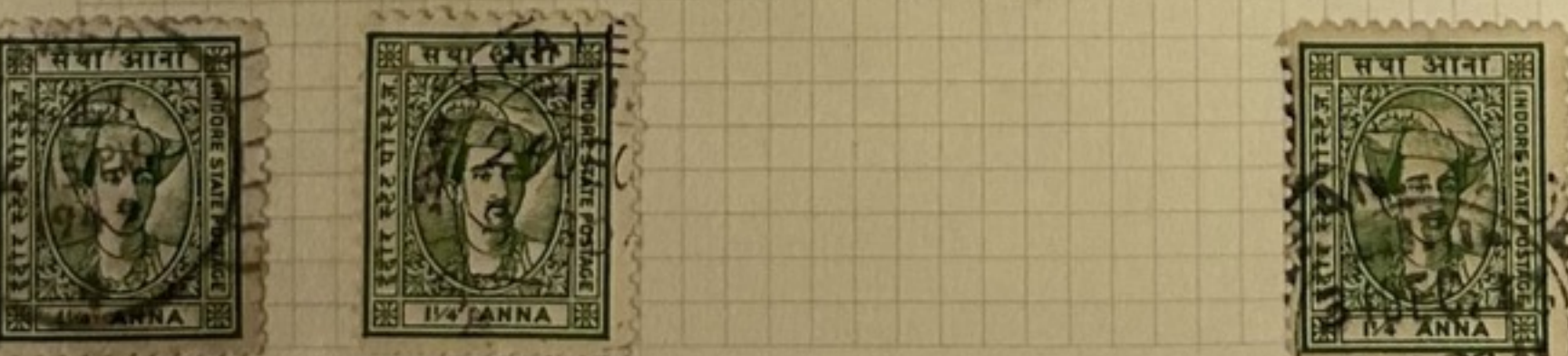
Provisional issues were created by overprinting as shown in the blocks of four below.



QUARTER ANNA on 5 r.  
HALF ANNA on 2 r.  
ONE ANNA on 1¼ a.

# INDORE

In 1941-47 the stamps of Indore were issued  
in different designs of Maharaja Yeshwant Rao Holkar XIV.  
Printed by "Times of India" Press, Bombay.  
Typo. Perf. 11.



- ¼ a. red-orange (shades)
- ½ a. claret
- 1 a. green
- 1½ a. yellow-green
- 2 a. turquoise-blue
- 4 a. yellow-brown
- 2 r. carmine & black
- 5 r. yellow & black

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# INDORE OFFICIAL

In the year 1904-6 the stamp of  
Maharaja Tukoji Rao III Holkar XIII were  
overprinted "SERVICE" in black.  
Perf. 13½, 14.



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4 Block

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SG UNENHANCED LEAF No. 312 MADE IN ENGLAND

**INDORE OFFICIAL**

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Perf. 13½, 14.



- 1/2 a. orange
- 1/2 a. lake
- a. Opt. Inverted
- b. Opt. double
- c. Imperf
- d. Brown-lake
- e. Opt. Inverted
- 1 a. green
- 2 a. brown
- 3 a. violet
- a. Imperf
- 4 a. ultramarine



# The Indore State Hand Book

THE POSTAL HISTORY OF INDORE STATE  
FROM 1829-1950

by

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