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1st Hindu Religion coin with Image of Goddess

By Ravindra Jain 'Suman'



The management of the Yatra and the governance and administration of the Shrine is done by the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board, popularly called the Shrine Board. The Board was set up in August 1986 under the provisions of The Jammu and Kashmir Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Act, 1988. The main objective of the Act was to provide for better management and governance of the Holy Shrine of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji and its endowments including the appurtenant lands and buildings.

Prior to the takeover, the management and control of the Shrine was with a private trust called the Dharamarth Trust and a group of traditional local residents called Baridars (so called because they collected their offerings as per their turn- bari). The takeover was necessitated considering the poor state of things and the absence of facilities for the pilgrims. While the offerings were pocketed by the Baridars, the other incomes including rentals and royalties were taken by the trust. However, there were very few facilities for the Yatries. The pilgrims who

reached the Holy town of Katra from all over India with devotion and faith in their hearts were often met with all kinds of hardships, insensitivity and mismanagement.

Under the provisions of the Act, the Administration, management and governance of the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine and the Shrine Funds shall vest with a Board comprising Chairman and not more than ten members.

The Governor of the state of Jammu and Kashmir by virtue of his office is the ex-officio Chairman of the Board. He nominates nine members in the Board at the policy making level. The Board discharge its duty through a Chief Executive Officer who is assisted by the Addl. Chief Executive Officer and various Area Heads and Functional Heads.

Ever since the takeover the Shrine Board has continuously strived hard to provide all possible facilities to the Devotees visiting the Holy Cave Shrine of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji. With the result, the yatra to the Holy Shrine of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji has increased tremendously, from 13.95 lakhs to 104.95 lakhs in the year 2012. This has been possible due to the blessings of the Divine and the all round efforts of the Shrine Board. Today the Shrine Board is recognized as one of the major service providing organization in the country. The efforts of the Shrine Board have been to make the Yatra to the Holy Shrine of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Ji a smooth and memorable experience. Efforts are still afoot to further improve the facilities for the Yatries and provide them state of the art facilities in every sphere.

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1	9000	12	25000	26	10000	43	18000
2	60000	13	8000	27	11100	44	21000
3	30000	14	9000	28	11000	45	25000
4	10000	16	6000	29	25000	47	8500
5	10000	17	6000	30	25000	48	8000
6	50000	18	6000	32	8500	49	13000
7	500000	19	50000	34	8500	50	55000
8	10000	21	10000	35	7500	51	35000
9	25000	22	8000	37	100000		
10	250000	24	50000	40	25000		
11	300000	25	200000	42	20000		



Rajgor's

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Price Realization

Lot No	Price	Lot No	Price	Lot No	Price	Lot No	Price	Lot No	Price
1	42000	66	4250	116	121000	193	4000	254	9500
2	16000	68	4500	117	130000	195	20000	255	15000
3	55000	69	5000	118	2700	196	2500	256	9500
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10	28000	74	2700	125	4000	203	80000	270	16500
11	2250	75	2250	126	4500	206	3400	272	6500
13	45000	77	2200	130	3250	207	16000	273	8750
14	42000	78	2500	132	40000	210	5500	274	7000
15	50000	79	4500	134	4000	211	17000	275	2800
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Lot # 03

Kingdom of Thrace, Lysimachus, Gold, 8.26 g, Stater. Diademed head of deified Alexander right, with horn of Ammon / BASILEWS LYSIMAXOY, Athena enthroned left, holding Nike on extended right hand & resting left elbow on shield propped against throne,

Estimate: Rs. 1,10,000



Lot # 34

Muhammad Tughlaq III, Gold, 12.91 g, Dinar, Hazrat Delhi mint, AH 727 in words. Kalima type on obv with the legend in margin reading epithet, mint and date; fi-zaman legend on rev (Rajgor# 1211; G&G# D334). Centrally struck with double circles on obv, Very Fine, Scarce.

Estimate: Rs. 50,000



Lot # 40

Ibrahim Shah (AD 1402-1440), Gold, 11.42 g, Tanka, without Tughra style, Fi Zaman type on obv, Jaunpur mint (Rajgor# 2707; G&G# J2). Almost UNC and Extremely Rare in this grade.

Estimate: Rs. 1,50,000



Lot # 54

Nur Jahan, Silver, ½ Rupee, Ahmadabad mint, AH 1034 (KM# 167.3). Deep striking, Extremely Fine+, Great Rarity.

Estimate: Rs. 75,000



Lot # 62

Murad Baksh, Gold, 18.490 g, 1-½ Mohur Token, Surat mint, mint name in the left margin on rev, square-area type. Mounted for use as a pendant. Mint State, Unusual and First Known piece.

Estimate: Rs. 1,25,000



Lot # 118

Wajid Ali Shah (AD 1847-1856), Gold, 3.05 g, Heavy 1/4 Ashrafi, Lucknow mint, AH 1271, Arms with two mermaids on obv and Persian legend on rev (KM# 374). About UNC, Extremely Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 1,25,000



Lot # 157

Ranbir Singh (AD 1887-1947), Silver, 11.76 g, Nazarana Rupee, VS 1943 and 1993 (AD 1937), a special coin for the commemoration of the Golden Jubilee of his reign in AD 1937 (KM Y2). Extremely Fine with a small hallmark type punch on top rev, Extremely Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 50,000



Lot # 166

Pragmalji II (AD 1860-1875), Gold, 9.39 g, 50 Koris or ½ Mohur, with the name of Victoria Queen, Bhujnagar mint, VS 1931, AD 1874, milled edge, die rotation at IX o'clock on rev. minor die-flow UNC with original luster, Extremely Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 50,000



Lot # 218

Complete set of date wise, Silver, Rupee, (55), 1835 to 1945, except 1939 coin, Almost Very Fine to AUNC. Star dates 1881 (B) & 1897 (C), Extremely Fine, 1921 & 1922 AUNC, (55 coins)

Estimate: Rs. 1,10,000



Lot # 307

2 Rupees Experimental Coin, Stainless Steel, 4.87 g, 2010, Hyderabad mint with Star as mint mark below the date on rev. In the centre of the coin on both the sides reads between two horizontal lines, EX PT for "Experimental".

Estimate: Rs. 30,000



Lot # 308

1 Rupee Experimental Coin, Stainless Steel, 3.79 g, 2010, Bombay (Mumbai) mint with a Diamond Dot as mint mark below the date on rev. In the centre of the coin on both the sides reads between two horizontal lines, EX PT for "Experimental".

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July	19-21	Chennai	Tamilzhagam Numismatic Society	MRC Hall, Anitha Methodist Matriculation higher Secondary School, 5/6 Ritherdon Road, Vepery. Call 9094312316
August	16	Ahmedabad	Rajgor's Auction 8	6.00 pm (Ahmedabad Coins & Currency Fair) Hotel Comfort Inn President, C.G. Road, Navrangpura, Ahmadabad - 380009
August	16-18	Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad Coins & Currency Fair	Hotel Comfort Inn President, C.G. Road, Navrangpura, Ahmadabad - 380009
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December	13-15	Jabalpur	Puratatva Mudra Utsav 2013	Ashirwad Utsav Hall , Aaga Chowk , Near Ranital Sqr. Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, 482001. (11 A.m To P.m Everyday) Contact : 09977333336
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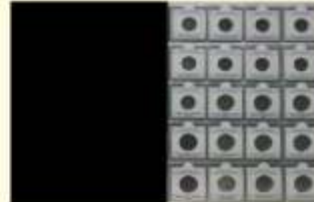
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