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Bangladesh to issue new 100 Taka silver coins on the Occasion of "100 Years of Bangladesh National Museum 1913-2013"

By Riddhi Bhattacharya



Denomination: 100 Taka

Metal: .925 Fine Silver **Weight:** 22 gram

Shape: Round **Diameter:** 38mm **Edge:** Serrated

Obverse: At top of coin is written- "100 Years of Bangladesh National Museum 1913-2013". Middle of coin - "Horseman, terracotta plaque 18th century" with a Image of Horseman. Left side of image , there is written in Bengali "100 Taka" & at right side is in English- "100 Taka".

Reverse: Bangladesh Bank logo

Year of Issue: 8th July, 2013

Occasion: To Celebrate 100 Years of Bangladesh National Museum (1913-2013)

Mint: Japan Mint

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History of Indian coinages is more than 3500 yrs old from today. The coin culture found in BC was PMC. The minting technique developed as people progressed. Today we manufacture Machine Struck Coins. Indian Coinages can be classified in many eras, but I have simplified it in 4 sections viz Ancient, Medieval, British and Independent India.

Prior to Independent India was with Pakistan and Bangladesh. There were 66 prominent Independent States and few Independent Kingdoms.

The 66 Independent Princely States were: Alwar, Awadh, Bhawalpur, Banswara, Bajrangarh, Baroda, Bharatpur, Bhaunagar, Bhopal, Bikanir, Brindaban, Broach, Bundi, Cambay, Cannanore, Chamba, Chotta Udupur, C I S Sutej, Cooch Behar, Dewas J.B, Dewas S.B, Dhar, Dholpur, Dungarpur, Gharwal, Gwalior, Hyderabad, Indore, Jaffarabad, Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Janjira Island, Jaora, Jhabua, Jhalawar, Jhodpur, Junagadh, Kalat, Karauli, Kashmir, Kishangarh, Kolhapur, Kotah, Ladakh, Lunawada, Makrai, Mewar, Mysore, Narwar, Nawanagar, Orchha, Partapgarh, Porbander, Pudukkoi, Radhanpur, Ratlam, Rewa, Rohilkhand, Sailana, Sirohi, Sitamau, Sunth, Tonk, Travancore and Tripura.

End of Part I.

INDIAN COINAGES HISTORY THROUGH INDEPENDENT PRINCELY STATES :

Among these Princely States today's Gujarat had many Independent States, here I am precisely briefing on the 10 prominent States right upto 1947 when it acceded to the Indian Union. A brief idea about the Ruler, Coinage, History, Monetary System and Coin culture.

1) BARODA :- A state located in Western India. A Maratha Soldier, DAMAJI descended the ruling line, as he received a title in 1721 as a "Distinguished Swordsman". Hence we find the scimitar on most of Baroda Coins. Damaji's father's occupation was of a Cow Herd, i.e 'Gaikwar', hence Baroda's title "GAIKWARA" is derived. The Gaekwar family rose to the prominence in the Mid 18th Century. Govind Rao was the 1st Ruler among Gaekwars, he ruled between 1768-1771 ad. The coins of Baroda are beautifully inscribed with Nagari legends. One can find Portrait Coins of Sayaji Rao in the history of Baroda Coinages.

Baroda/Vadodra has one of the largest and beautiful Coin Culture in the History of Gujarat Coin's. Amreli, Ahmadabad, Baroda, Jambusar & Petlad were few prominent mints. Baroda issued Gold Mohur's with Ruler's Effigy. Still in present we have the Royal family of Gaekwar residing in Baroda.

End of Part II

INDIAN COINAGES HISTORY THROUGH INDEPENDENT PRINCELY STATES

2) BROACH :- Located on the North bank of the Narmada River, 30 miles from the Gulf of Cambay. It was an important port on the sea route to Europe.

Earlier known as 'Pribhu Kach' then by the Chinese travellers as 'Bara kacheva' & as Barygaza to Ptolemy. It was renamed as Broach by the Muslim Ruler i.e at the time of Islamic Invasion. The town was ruled by the Nawabs viz Nek Nam Khan & Imaya -Ud-Daula. It came briefly under the British Rule or Influence before being ceded to Scindia's

Silver coins of Broach's Has a "CROSS" as a mint mark on the coin struck.

End of Part III

INDIAN COINAGES HISTORY THROUGH INDEPENDENT PRINCELY STATES

BHAVNAGAR/BHAUNAGAR :- Located on the North West India, on the North West shore of the Gulf of Cambay. The Thakur's where Gohel Rajputs.

The Thakurs were relatively enlightened Ruler's. The Monetary system were Trambhiyo, Dokda, Dhingla/Dhinglo. The coin bears in Nagari legend "BAHADUR" in addition to the Moghul legends.

Only copper coins are issued/found in the name of Mohammad Akbar II & Shah Alam III.

JUNAGADH :- Located in Kathiawar, originally a Rajput Kingdom, until conquered by the Sultan of Ahmadabad in 1472. It became a Mughal dependency under Emperor Akbar. A Mughal Officer & a Military adventurer, Sher Khan Babi, expelled the Mughal Governor and asserted his independence in 1735.

Till Independence the Babi Ruler's ruled the State. In 1947 the Nawab of Junagadh tried to accede to the New Nation of Pakistan but the Hindu Majority in the State objected and Junagadh remained with Republic India.

Film Actress "Parveen Babi" is of the same Reign. The coinages are termed as Dokdo & Kori. On the Silver 1/2 kori and Kori 'Shri Dewan' is inscribed in Devanagari Legends.

End of Part IV

INDIAN COINAGES HISTORY THROUGH INDEPENDENT PRINCELY STATES

LUNAWADA :- A small State in the Panch Mahl District of Western India were Ruled by the Solanki Rajputs, who descended from Sidraj Jaisingh the Ruler of Anhalwar Patan & Gujarat.

Copper Coins of Lunawada are famous, as it bears different Shapes and Motifs. OPEN Hand, Lion are few of the Motifs while, Rectangular, Square or Round Shaped coins are found.

Only Copper coins were Strucked/Found.

NAWANAGAR/NAVANAGAR (JAMNAGAR) :- Located on the Kathiawar Peninsula situated at West Central India, the Rulers were called 'JAMS' of Kutch.

They were Jareja Rajputs who entered the Kathiawar Peninsular from Kutch. Nawanagar was founded about 1535 by JAM Raval. The Fort was built by JAM Jasaji. The Rulers were Vibhaji & Jaswant Singh.

The Monetary system were Trambhiyo, Dokdo, Dhinglo, Kori's. Copper and Silver coins are found. JAMNAGARI FARSAN is very Famous of this Region.

Silver 5 Kori's, Copper 3 Dokdo, Gold 1/2 kori n Kori are sought after by Collector's. Coinages of Navanagar has "SHRI JAM" inscribed on the coins in Devanagari Legends.



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1	2950	75	2750	164	2000	235	3600	302	4000
2	30000	76	30000	165	4000	236	6250	303	9250
4	2500	77	2500	167	6750	237	6600	304	1450
5	2500	79	2750	168	4400	238	16000	306	2750
6	1500	80	4000	169	1900	239	7000	308	45000
7	4500	84	3300	171	5750	240	5500	307	36500
8	4350	86	4250	172	4250	241	6900	310	1500
9	26000	87	8500	173	1500	242	2750	312	9500
10	3000	88	2800	175	7000	243	11000	313	3000
11	12600	89	1750	176	4500	245	16100	314	2950
12	8000	91	2000	177	50000	246	2750	316	4000
14	27000	96	11000	178	1900	247	27500	319	2000
15	25000	100	5000	181	3000	248	2750	323	1600
16	2500	101	1900	182	2400	249	5750	326	4200
17	1500	102	6000	183	2200	250	1200	327	6000
18	2000	103	2800	184	2750	251	6000	329	3800
19	6500	105	19000	185	2500	254	2250	330	1000
20	1500	106	2700	186	2500	256	3450	331	8750
21	5500	107	2750	187	3250	257	3850	332	2750
22	14100	109	2750	188	7000	258	1800	333	2000
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24	2750	111	25000	191	2250	260	2500	335	2000
25	1400	113	2500	192	13000	261	4000	336	2000
26	2750	114	2750	195	7500	262	3000	337	2000
27	41500	119	11000	196	9500	263	4050	338	2000
28	2250	123	3500	197	6500	264	4000	339	5000
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40	150000	131	6250	206	3750	273	13000	350	3000
41	3250	134	9250	208	3500	274	11500	353	5000
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62	150000	151	1500	224	7500	291	4250	375	17000
63	8000	152	1500	225	7500	292	6200	377	12000
64	1500	153	5500	226	7500	294	4500	380	8000
66	3000	154	2500	227	3700	295	3000	383	2000
67	4000	156	4750	228	3250	296	5750	384	24000
68	5500	158	2250	230	5500	297	5750		
69	11500	159	3700	231	7200	298	6500		
70	3000	160	2000	232	7250	299	5250		
71	2750	161	1100	233	17500	300	2000		
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Estimate: Rs. 22,000



Lot # 159

Sayaji Rao III, Silver, Complete set of 4 denominations: Rupee, VS 1952; ½ Rupee, 1951; 4 Annas, 1951; and 2 Annas, 1952, Small flan type.

Estimate: Rs. 23,000



Lot # 304

Victoria Queen, Divided Legend, Gold, Mohur, Calcutta mint, 1841, W.W. incused, cross bar of numeral '4' w/o serif (Pridmore# 22). Certified by NGS as XF 40+ Details, Scratches after 'A' of India, Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 1,50,000



Lot # 313

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Estimate: Rs. 50,000



Lot # 323

Victoria Empress, Gold, Mohur, Calcutta mint, 1882, obverse: two flower type & 'V' in relief, reverse with 'C' raised (Pridmore# 19). Extremely Fine, cleaned, Rare

Estimate: Rs. 2,25,000



Lot # 383

2 Rupees Experimental Coin, Cupro-Nickel, 6.15 g, 1993, Calcutta mint without a mint mark below the date on rev; National Integration Theme with the map on India on rev. In the centre of the coin on obv side reads EXP for "Experimental" across the Ashokan Lion Emblem and two horizontal lines across the legs of the lion pillar.

Estimate: Rs. 35,000



Lot # 399

German East Africa, Guilelmus II, Silver, Double Rupee, 1894, portrait on obv, crest on rev. Very Fine+, Rare date.

Estimate: Rs. 19,000



Lot # 411

Sri Lanka, Combo of 2 Coins celebrating the 2550 years of Lord Buddha, 1500 Rupees Proof and 2000 Rupees Proof, Silver and Silver with Gold Gilt, Lord Buddha preaching on a lotus on obv, Buddhist symbol of Chakra over a pond of lotuses on rev.

Estimate: Rs. 21,000



Lot # 428

Governor-General Medal of Defeat of Tipu Sultan, Lord Wellesley, 1799, Copper, bust of the Governor-General to left on obv, a war scene depicting a British Soldier killing Indian soldier in the battle of Seringapatnam, dated 4th May 1799;

Estimate: Rs. 25,000



Lot # 431

George VI, Gallantry Medal, for Bravery in the field, Silver, portrait of the king on obv, wreath and award details on rev. Minted by the Calcutta mint, with ring and suspension, in the original mint box. Proof-like grade, Unissued and Extremely Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 45,000



Lot # 432

Azad Hind Order, First Class Star Badge, a tiger's bust on a radiating star and Cross Swords on obv with the name AZAD / HIND around the tiger head; Wearing pin on rev. Without the name of the German maker on the rev of the Order. Extremely Fine, Very Rare.

Estimate: Rs. 15,000



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Calendar Time-Line

Most of the world's countries and cultures use the Gregorian calendar, but some base their calendars on more ancient systems. Other countries have adopted an alternative calendar at some point in their history.

3761 BC	Jewish calendar starts
2637 BC	Original Chinese calendar starts
57 BC	Hindu Vikram calendar starts
45 BC	Julian calendar adopted by Roman Empire
0	Christian calendar starts
AD 78	Hindu Saka calendar starts
597	Julian calendar adopted in Britain
622	Islamic calendar starts
1582	Gregorian calendar introduced in Catholic countries
1752	Julian calendar abandoned, Gregorian calendar adopted in Britain and its colonies, including America
1873	Japan adopted the Gregorian calendar
1949	China adopts the Gregorian calendar

Mayan calendar

The Mayan people lived in the Yucatan area of present-day Mexico and the neighboring region. They built amazing pyramids and temples, and had an astonishing knowledge of astronomy. Their culture had declined by the time Spanish invaders occupied their territory in the 16th century, but we know something about it from the remains found. The Haab or civil calendar of the Maya had 18 months made up of 20 days each. Five extra days- considered particularly unlucky- were added at the year's end, known as Uayeb, giving a year of 365 days.

Months	Months	Months
1 Pop	7 Yaxkin	13 Mac
2 Uo	8 Mol	14 Kankin
3 Zip	9 Chen	15 Muan
4 Zotz	10 Yax	16 Pax
5 Tzec	11 Zac	17 Kayab
6 Xul	12 Ceh	18 Cumku

Time pyramid

The Mayan pyramid at Chichen Itza, Mexico, built around 1050, has four stairways, each with 91 steps, and one platform. This makes a total of 365, the number of days in a year. The stairways also divided the nine terraces of each side of the pyramid into 18 segments, representing the 18 months of the Mayan calendar.

Gregorian calendar

The Gregorian calendar is the one most used nowadays. It is named after Pope Gregory XIII who introduced it in 1582. There is a leap year four years (or more precisely 97 leap years every 400 years). This means that the year corresponds closely with the astronomical year (365.24219 days) so that it is just one day out in every 3,300 years.

Month	Days	Month	Days
1 January	31	7 July	31
2 February	28*	8 August	31
3 March	31	9 September	30
4 April	30	10 October	31
5 May	31	11 November	30
6 June	30	12 December	31

In a leap year, February has 29 days.

Calendar Problems

Some non-Catholic countries such as Britain refused to adopt the Gregorian calendar at first. The Julian calendar previously used in Britain was based on a solar year, the time taken for the Earth to rotate around the Sun. This is 365.25 days, which is fractionally too long (it is actually 365.24219 days), so the calendar steadily fell out of line with the seasons. In 1752 Britain decided to correct this by abandoning the Julian instantly became 14 September and, as a result, nothing whatsoever happened in British history between 3 and 13 September 1752. Many people believed their lives would be shortened. They protested in the streets, demanding, "Give us back our 11 days!"

Persian Calendar Months on Mughal Coins

The name of the New Solar Era founded by Akbar, the Great Mughal Emperor (AD 1556-1605) is popularly known as **Ilâhi Era** but its official name was **Tārâkh-i-Ilâhi**.

Abul Fazl, the author of *Ain-i-Akbari* informs about this new era in his book:

His Majesty had long desired to introduce a new computation of years and months throughout the fair regions of Hindustan in order that perplexity might give place to easiness. He was likewise averse to the era of the Hijira (Flight) which was of ominous signification, but because of the number of shortsighted, ignorant men who believe the currency of the era to be inseparable from religion.

*In 992 of the Novilunar year the imperial design was accomplished. Amir Fathullah Shirazi, the representative of ancient Sages, the Paragon of the house of wisdom, set himself to the fulfillment of this object, and taking as his base the recent Gurgâni canon began the era with the Accession of His Imperial Majesty. The years and months are natural Solar without intercalation and the **Persian names of the Months and days have been left unchanged**. The days of the months are reckoned from 29 to 32 and the two days of the last are called **Ruz o Shab**.*

Month	Days	Month	Days
1 Farwardin	31	7 Mihr	30
2 Ardibehisht	31	8 Abân	30
3 Khurdâd	32	9 Azar	29
4 Tir	31	10 Dai (Di)	29
5 Amardâd	31	11 Bahman	30
6 Shahrevar	31	12 Isfandârmuz	30

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Month	Date	Place	Event	Venue
July	13	Mumbai	Rajgor's Auction 7	5:00 pm The Ambassador Hotel, Churchgate, Mumbai
July	19-21	Chennai	Tamilzhagam Numismatic Society	MRC Hall, Anitha Methodist Matriculation higher Secondary School, 5/6 Ritherdon Road, Vepery. Call 9094312316
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August	16-18	Ahmedabad	Ahmedabad Coins & Currency Fair	Hotel Comfort Inn President, C.G. Road, Navrangpura, Ahmadabad - 380009
August	29	Mumbai	Rajgor's Auction 9	4:00 pm The Ambassador Hotel, Churchgate, Mumbai
Aug-Sept	30-31-1	Mumbai	11th Coin, Banknote & Philately Fair	World Trade Centre, Cuffe Parade (Mumbai Coin Society)
September	14	Mumbai	Rajgor's Auction 10	6:00 pm, Crystal Room, The Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai
October	4-6	Hyderabad	5th National Numismatic Exhibition	Marudhar Arts, Bangalore
November	9	Mumbai	Rajgor's Auction 11	4:00 pm The Ambassador Hotel, Churchgate, Mumbai
December	13-15	Jabalpur	Puratatva Mudra Utsav 2013	Ashirwad Utsav Hall , Aaga Chowk , Near Ranital Sqr. Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, 482001
December	21	Pune	Rajgor's Auction 12	3:00 pm Coinex Pune - 2013, Sonal Hall, Karve Road, Pune
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