

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3015
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2003
RELEASE OF COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS
SURESH KODIKUNNIL;UTTAMRAO NATHUJI DHIKALE

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal to release a postal stamp commemorating eminent freedom fighter Vir Sawarkar and R. Sankar, former Chief minister of Kerala and other personalities; and

(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SH THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Department has released a stamp on Vir Sawarkar on 28/05/1970. The proposal for issue of a stamp on R. Sankar was not in accordance with the guidelines for issue of commemorative stamps on personalities and therefore not approved. Issue of special cover with special cancellation on R. Sankar was approved. The proposals for issue of stamps on other personalities are considered and recommended by the Philatelic Advisory Committee and action taken where approved by competent authority for issue of stamps.