

India's VIth Definitive Series

7.3- Colour - Shade Variations

Why do some postage stamps appear in various tones of the same basic color?

Stamps appear in different tones for many reasons. A thin film of ink or different batches of ink cause tone variations through lack of production controls. Exposure to light often fades stamps. Different papers absorb inks, causing the same colors to appear in various tones. Color tones may be caused by the variations in the depth of the engraved lines in steel-engraved stamps or the depth of the etching in gravure plates.

15p : Cylinder No C 4



15p : Cylinder No C 16



15p : Cylinder No C42



25p : Cylinder No J 12



25p : Cylinder No J 15



25p : Cylinder No J 25



30p : Cylinder No P 1



30p : Cylinder No P 27



30p : Cylinder No P 43

