

“SPEED POST” Numbering System

Chapter 1.7 - Numbering System Observed on Covers



1. Meghdoot Meter Mark (Booking Number)
2. Bar code Label (Tracking Number)

- ① EE 00026600 IN
- ② EE 71864657 5IN

This Chapter details this various style of numbering found on the Speed Post covers. It also details this transition found; where dual numbering systems have been observed & found on some covers. (One for booking & other for tracking). This could probably due to the transitional stages of various Post Office in different stages of automation at point of time & accessibility to suitable stationery & technology.

* And their progress for towards a Unified code of UPU “S10” style numbering.

Track & Trace

Stage of Development of the Numbering System

A1	Manuscript		
A2	SPP R XXXX	4 digit	1986

Sl.No	Printed Labels Numbering	Digits	Year
1	(Pre-printed Labels)	(XX -2 digit) & (XXX-3 digit)	1986
2 A	SPP - X/XXX (with as without Prefix)	X/XXX- 4 digits	1996
2 B	SPP - X/XXX - 1st line - Booking no. SPP - X/XXX - 2nd line - Tracking no.	X/XXX- 4 digits	1997
2 C	Speed Post India + Barcode Label	15 digits	1997
3	(12 digit) not linked to <u>XXXX</u> in (No check 13th digit)	12 digits	2001
4	(13 digit) Non UPU Code	13 digits	2001
5	(13 digit) linked to <u>PINCODE</u>	13 digits	1999
6 A	UPU Format (S10)	13 digits	1999
6 B	UPU Format (S10) - Underlined	13 digits	1999
7	State Alphabet Code added at 2nd Place (see chart of 2011)	13 digits	2008 D = Delhi
8	BNPL Customer's (a) State Code (b) BNPL code also mentioned (c) 'X' Series	13 digits	2008 2016 2017 2017
Anomalies			
9	No Speed Post Logo (?) Error - Anomology (a) (No India post, No Speed Post, only for domestic use)	13 digits	

Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type A2 - RL - SPP R XXXX

4 digit

This is the Legacy system adopted from Registered Articles to the newly formed Speed Post . Registration was compulsory for Speed Post article till when it was merged in this rate on 1-12-1990.

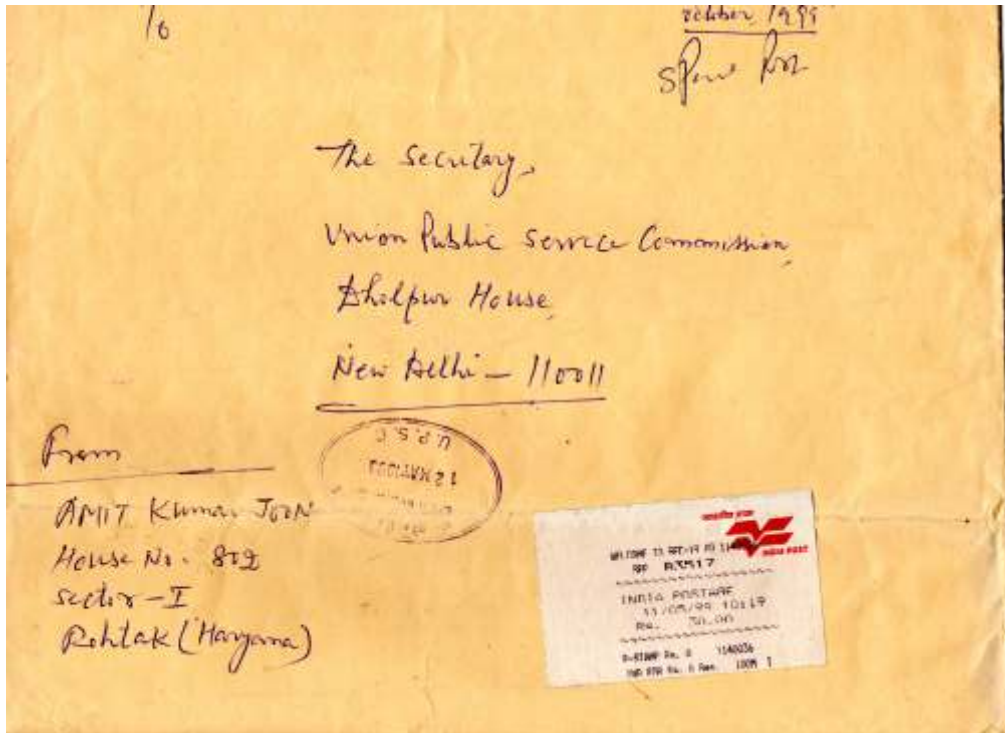
Prefix RP

Number B3517



4 digit
Prefixed by on
Alphabet

Prefix "SPP" Number B3517



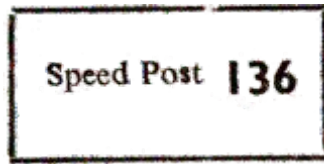
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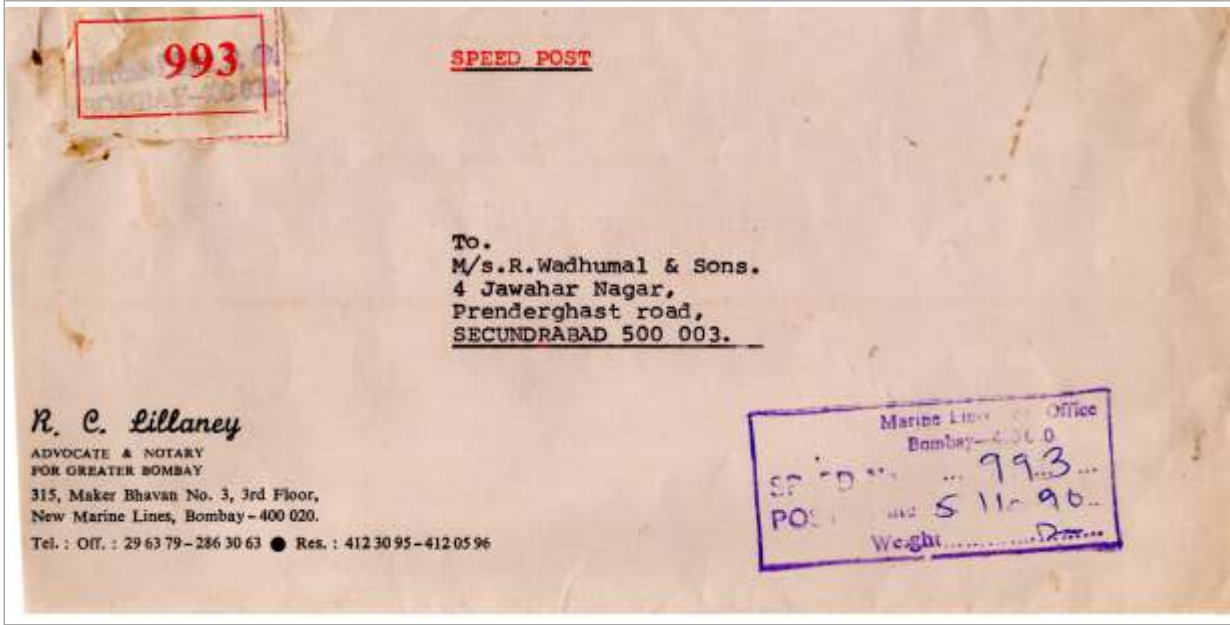
Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 1 - (Pre-printed Labels) - (XX -2 digit)
(XXX-3 digit)

1986

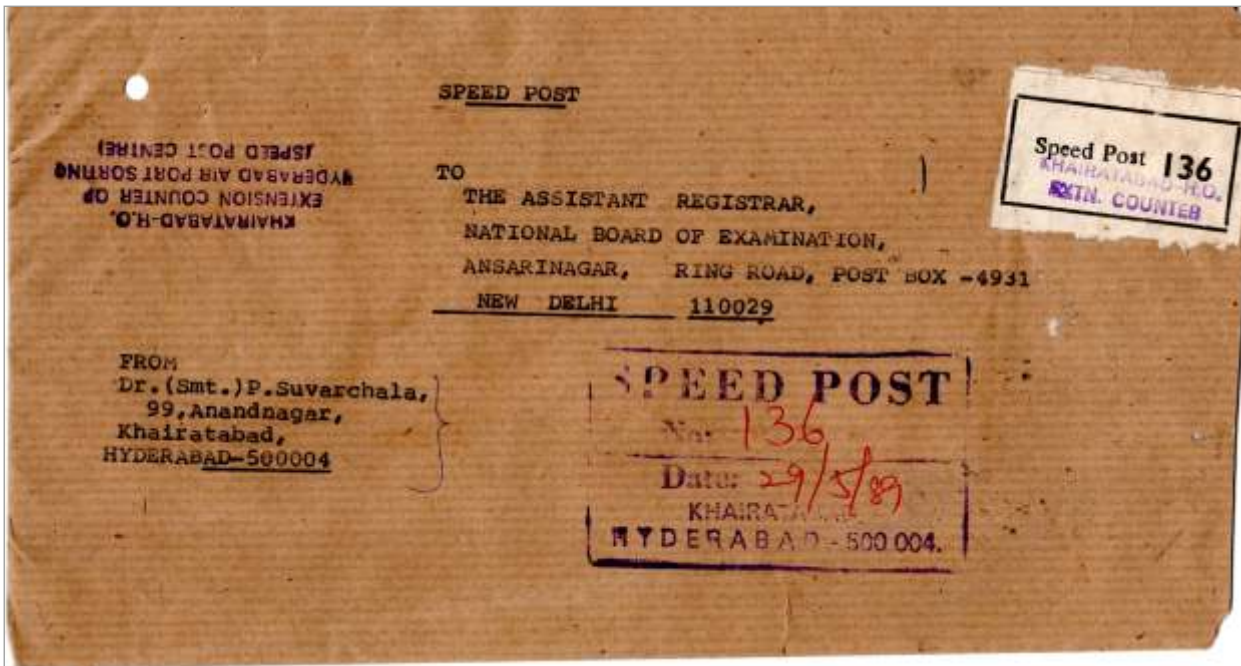


Plain Label



Label Type A10

Prefix "Speed Post"



Label Type A20

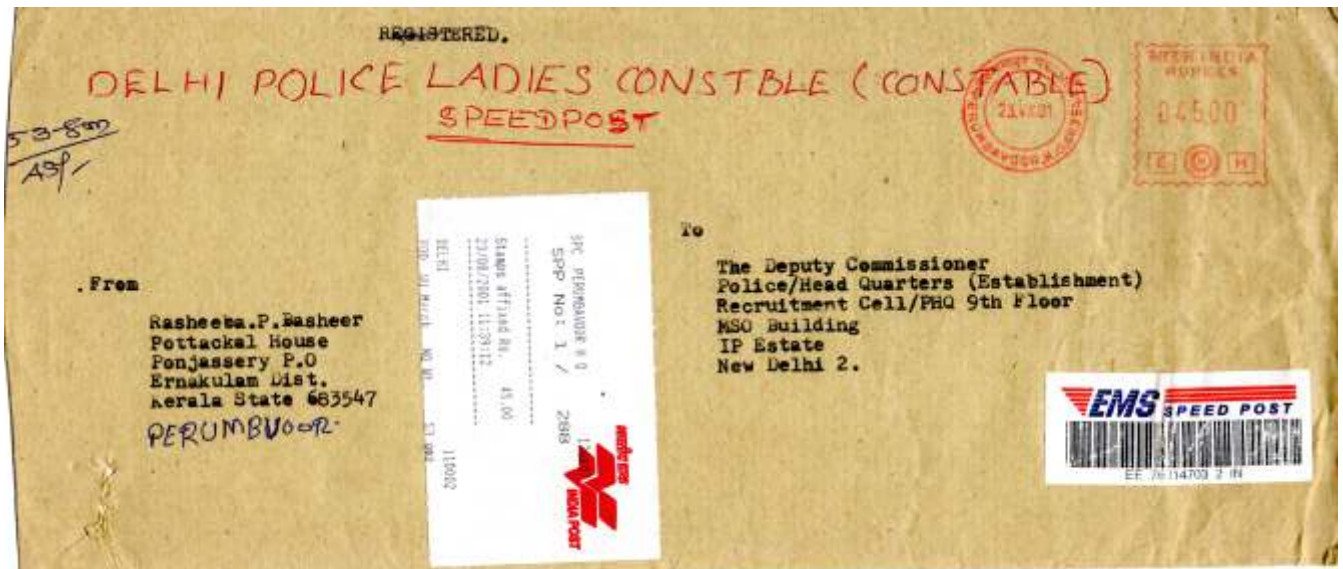
Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 2A - SPP - X/XXX

4 digits



SPP 1/288



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 2B - SPP - X/XXX - 1st line - Booking no.
SPP - X/XXX - 2nd line - Tracking no.

1997

4 digits
15 digits



1st Line SPP 9460

2nd Line CCU501219460118



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

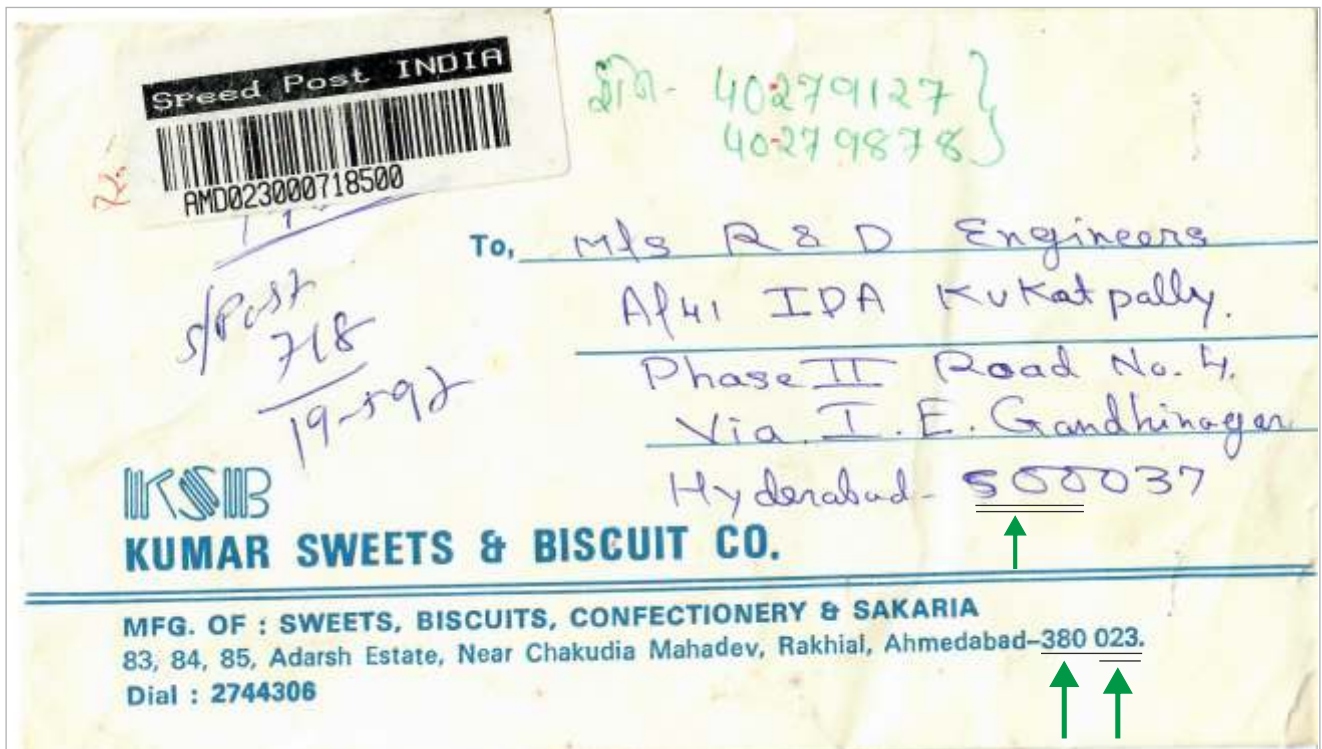
Type 2C - Speed Post India + Barcode Label

1997

15 digits



- AMD = Ahmedabad
- 023 = Last Three digit of booking office (380027)
- 300 = 1st 3 digits of Gujarat Circle
- 0718 = 4 digit Article no.
- 500 = 1st 3 digits of Circle code of destination in AP Circle (500037)



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 3 - (12 digit) not linked to XXXX in (No check digit)
12 digits

2001



EE 00009148 IN



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 5 - (13 digit) linked to PINCODE

1999

Meghdoot Meter Mark Type M2B



(India Post Logo on the RHS of Label)

Explanation of the Number

EE 500 10383 4 IN

- EE - EMS Code (Generic for Speed Post)
- 500 - Booking circle PIN, first three digit
- 10383 - 5 digit article number
- 4 - Check Sum
- IN - INDIA



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 6B - UPU Format (S10) - Underlined

13 digits

1999



- EE - EMS Generic Prefix
- 70943140 - Article No.
- 4 - Check Sum
- IN - IN INDIA Code

Check Sum '4' Underlined in this Barcode Label



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

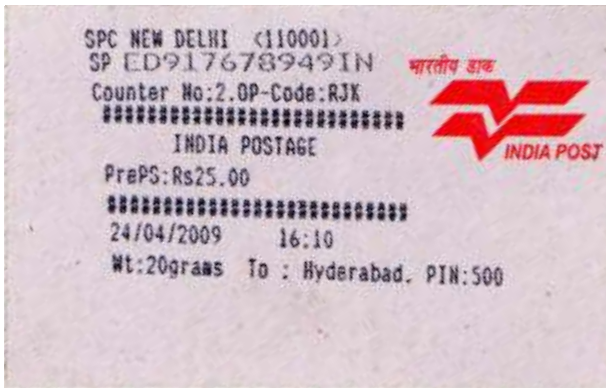
Type 7 - State Alphabet Code

13 digits (see chart of 2011)

2008

D = Delhi

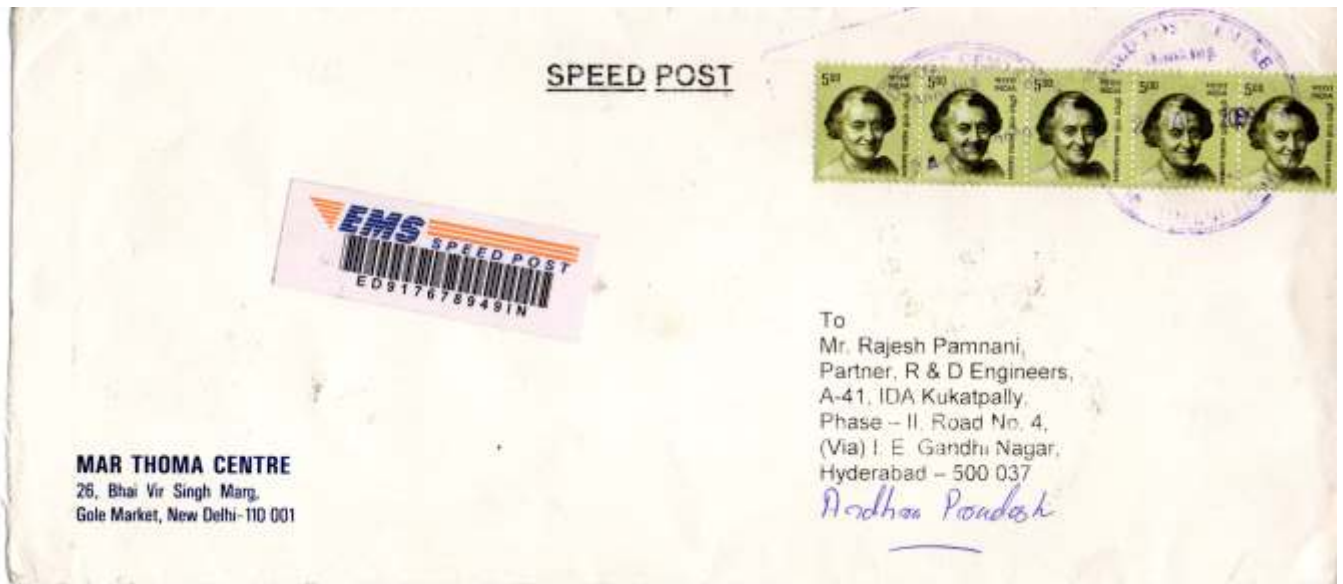
The second digit of the 13 digit S10 UPU Code was modified to include this Postal Circle code as a part of this Track & Trace number (see page 08/10).



ED 917678949 IN



D = Delhi Circle Code



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

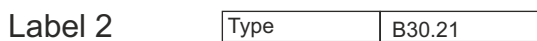
Type 1 to Type 6A (Dual Numbering, one for booking second for tracking)

(Transition from 'one system to Next one)

(I) Numbered Label to Bar Coded Label



Booking No. 654



Tracking No EE-827253637~IN



Stage of Development of the Numbering System
Type 2B to Type 6A

Meter Marks - Transits Period (Dual Labels style)

(II) Dot Matrix Label & Barcode (Pre-Printed) Labels

Label 3 Type M2(A)_11.30



Booking No CCU000200890110

Label 4 Type B30.10



Tracking No : EE700523845IN

Asansole, 1999



Cover Posted from Asansole to New Delhi
Date of Posting : 10th May 1999
Date of Delivery: 12th May 1999
Postage : Rs.45/ paid for (15gms)



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Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Transitional Numbering

Type 2A to 2C - Speed Post India + Barcode Label

15 digits

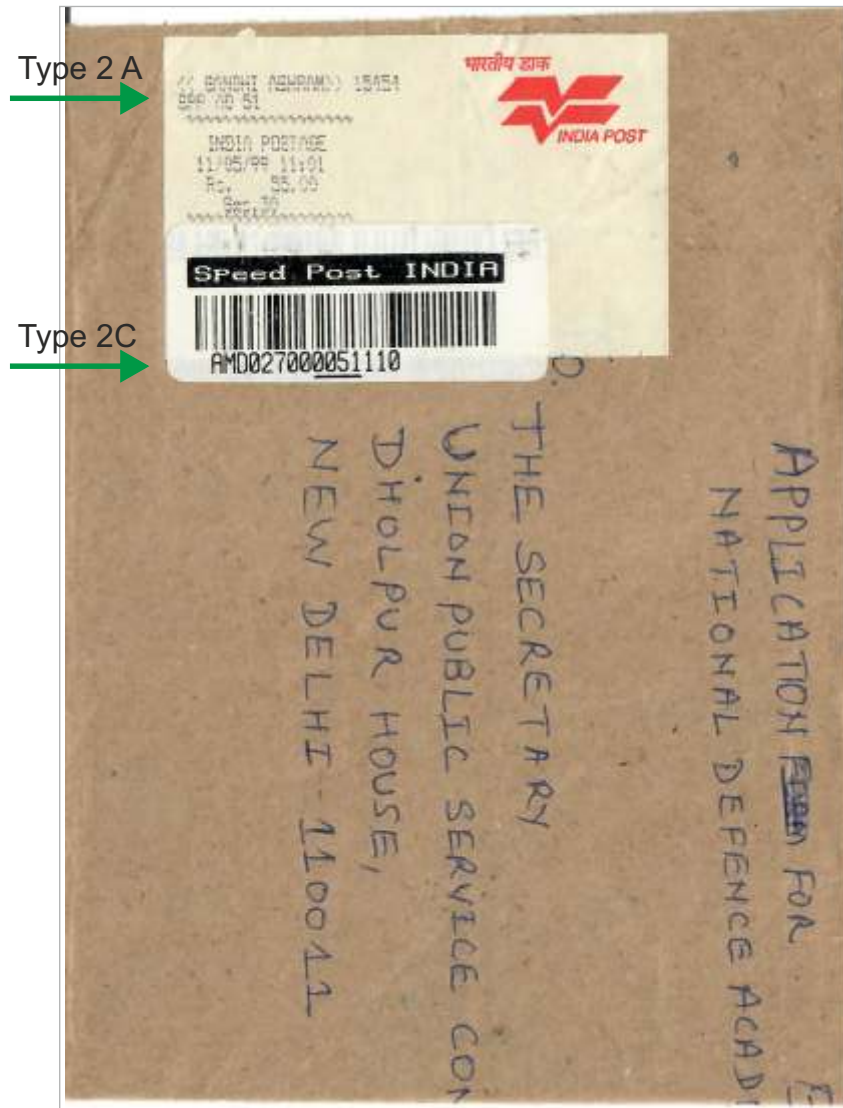
Bar Code Label



Type : B10

Meghdoot Meter Marks

Type 50.10B



The tracking number used on

Meter Marks - SPP No51 - Booking Number

Bar Code Label - AMD 027000051 110 - Tracking Number



(No51) is the common number for this article of Speed Post

Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 2A to Type 6A

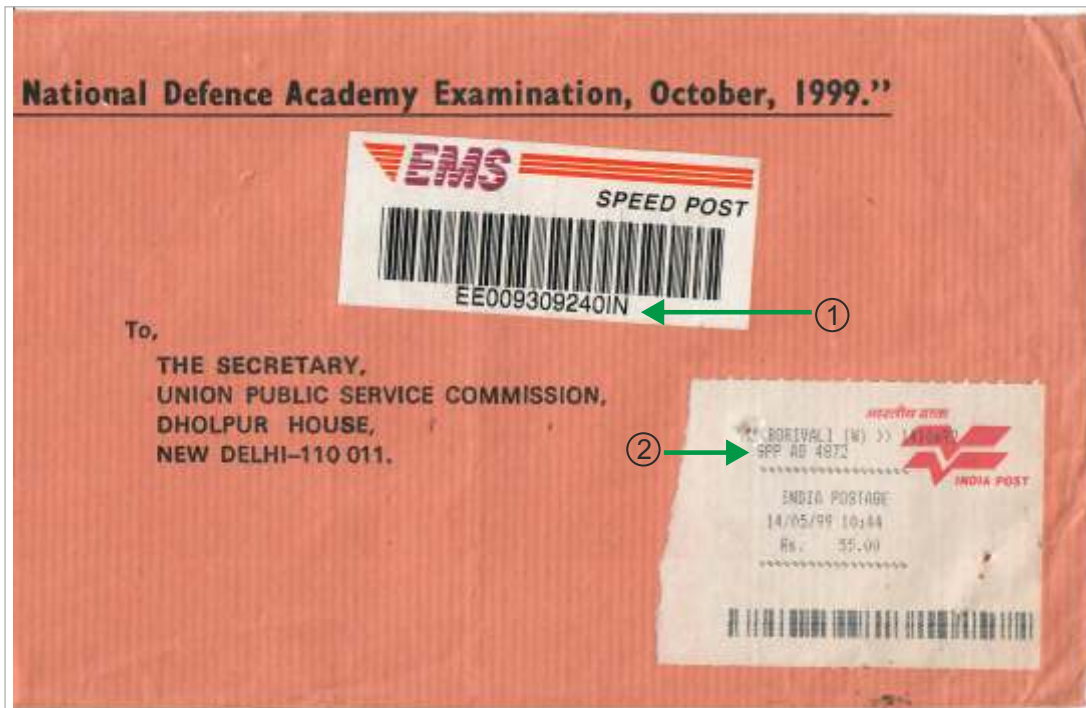
A look at the various 'Track & Trace' Labels used during this transitional periods from one aspect to another.



① EE009309240IN
Tracking Number



② SPP AD 4872
Booking Number



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 7 (Super supposed on older Label)

Numbering - Transitional

Transition (III)

Re-numbering the old number by a new adhesive superimposed



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Type 3 to Type 6A

Numbering - Transits Period (Dual Labels style)

Dual Label : each with a different number

Meter Mark Type M2(A) _17.20

Bar Code Label Type 40.05.

For booking(Meter Mark EE 00026600IN)

For Track & Trace (Barcode Label EE 71864657 5 IN)



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

Mismatch Marks Number's (Error)

Mismatch between Barcode No & Meter Mark number

③ EE713295563IN ④ EE712329620IN



Stage of Development of the Numbering System

International Mail - Dual Labelling
(Number extension & embedding)

Indian Speed Post Label
Type : A45 -1990



Label No 3825

EMS International Barcode Label



Inkjet Printing of Barcode number

3825
Track in
Number

IN
INDIA



Booking From	Kanpur
To	Netherland
Date of Posting	26.11.1990
Date of Delivery	28.11.1990
Transit Time	2 Day
Postage	Rs. 250.00

A cover sent from Kanpur to Netherlands
International Speed Post paid Rs.250/
Date of Posting : 26th Nov 1990
Date of Arrival : 28th 1990 (in Netherland)
CN 22 Green customs label also visible on this cover