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PRESS NOTE

Department of Posts has introduced "Deen Dayal **SPARSH** Yojana" for promotion of philately among school children. SPARSH means Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude and Research in Stamps as a Hobby. The objective of the scholarship is to promote philately among children at a young age in a sustainable manner that can reinforce and supplement the academic curriculum. This hobby will help them relax and de-stress. Under this scheme, students of Class VI to IX who have 60% marks in academic year 2017-18 and having Philately Deposit Account/Member of Philatelic Club and pursue Philately as a hobby, will be awarded a scholarship of Rs.6000/- per annum. Selection will be made on the basis of philatelic quiz (written). Shortlisted students of philatelic quiz have to compete in philatelic project given by the Department of Posts successfully.

The Last date for submission of application for participation in philatelic quiz (written) for students studying in Karnataka Postal Circle is now extended to **15th September 2018**. All schools in Karnataka are requested to encourage their students to participate in the Scholarship scheme.

For more details please visit www.indiapost.gov.in & www.karnatakapost.gov.in.

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