



For Immediate Release

STAMPS COMMEMORATING THE NORTH-EAST LINE

Singapore, 7 July 2003 - Singapore Post (“SingPost”) will be releasing a set of three stamps and a souvenir sheet to mark the start of the North-East Line (“NEL”).

The stamps are illustrated by the same designer, Ng Keng Seng, who designed the Singapore Mass Rapid Transit System stamps in 1988. The special miniature sheet shows the entire Mass Rapid Transit System to date, incorporating three new stamps of the NEL and three previous stamps issued in 1988 on the first major line.

The new MRT stamps will be available for sale at all SingPost branches on 18 July 2003. The public can order the stamps at <http://vpostmall.vpost.com.sg> now.

Products Available

The products accompanying this stamp issue are First Day Covers, Presentation Pack and the special miniature sheet comprising the three new MRT stamps together with the reproduction of three stamp designs from the 1988 stamp issue.

In addition, a set of 14 cards each affixed with a stamp and pre-cancelled with a postmark highlighting each of the 14 stations will be available for sale at the SingPost Harbourfront Branch and 11 philatelic outlets namely Change Alley, Chinatown Point, Changi Airport terminal II, Jurong Point, Killiney Road, Robinson Road, Singapore Post Centre, Tanglin, Thomson Road, Toa Payoh Central and Woodlands Central.

Postmarks with the names of the 14 stations are obtainable at SingPost's Harbourfront Branch.



Items on Sale

The following items will be on sale at all SingPost branches and the Singapore Philatelic Bureau (Singapore Post Centre Branch), unless otherwise stated:

Items	Price	Date Available
Stamp Set	\$2.82	18 July 2003 onwards
Miniature Sheet	\$5.85	18 July 2003 onwards
First Day Cover* (without stamps)	\$0.25	Available from now until 18 July 2003 only
Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (affixed with a set of stamps)	\$3.40	18 July 2003 only
Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (affixed with a miniature sheet)	\$6.30	18 July 2003 only
Postcards (set of 3 cards without stamps)	\$0.90	18 July 2003 onwards
Maxicards (set of 3 cards affixed with stamps)	\$4.45	18 July 2003 only
Souvenir cards ♦ (A set of 14 cards each affixed with a NVI stamp and pre-cancelled with a postmark bearing a station name)	\$10.90	18 July 2003 onwards

Prices inclusive of 4% GST for purchases within Singapore.

* Available at SingPost Main Branches only.

♦ Available at SingPost's 11 philatelic outlets and Harbourfront Branch only

Online Order

The products of this stamp issue can be ordered at <http://vpostmall.vpost.com.sg> now.

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Technical details of this stamp issue are as follows:

Date of Issue	:	18 July 2003
Denominations	:	No-value Indicator, 60¢, \$2
Stamp Size	:	38mm x 29.13mm
Miniature Sheet	:	135mm x 94mm
Perforation	:	13 ¼ x 13 ¼
Paper	:	Unwatermarked
Printing Process	:	Offset Lithography
Printer	:	Joh Enschede Security Printers
Sheet Content	:	10 stamps
Designer	:	Ng Keng Seng Ken
First Day Cover (without stamps)	:	\$0.25
Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (affixed with a set of stamps)	:	\$3.40
Pre-cancelled First Day Cover (affixed with a Miniature Sheet)	:	\$6.30
Postcards (set of 3 cards without stamps)	:	\$0.90
Maxicards (set of 3 cards affixed with stamps)	:	\$4.45
Souvenir cards ♦ (set of cards each affixed with a NVI stamps and pre-cancelled with a postmark bearing a station name)	:	\$10.90

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