Native Women Overprints

The local currency of Indochina was the piaster. However the post office only sold stamps in terms of the French franc. Postwar inflation caused the franc to dramatically decrease in value. To quell complaints from the public, the post office overprinted the Native Women issue with equivalent valuations in piasters. This did nothing more than further legitimatize the fictitious exchange rate. Public outcry continued unabated. The issue lasted just three years from 1919 to 1922.





















Native Women Overprints

















Native Women Overprints Varieties

CLOSED "4" VARIETIES



CLOSED "4" ON RIGHT



CLOSED "4" ON LEFT



CLOSED "4" (3 POSITIONS)

Native Women Overprints Use of 4 cents Variety

The pair of 4 cents Native Women Overprint stamps on this governmental envelope consists of one stamp with a "closed 4" (left) and the other with the "open 4" (right).



POSTAL MARKINGS
FORT BAYARD INDOCHINE 30-7 21
REVERSE
HANOI TONKIN 2-8 21

Native Women Overprints Use of 4 cents Variety

The sender used four Native Women Overprint stamps on a registered mourning envelope posted from Saigon to France in 1921. The leftmost 4 cent stamp of the three (not a strip) bears the closed "4" overprint variety



POSTAL MARKINGS

SAIGON-CENTRAL COCHINCHINE 6-4 21 framed R with manuscript registration number

REVERSE

CHAUMONT HAUTE MARNE 18-5 21 DOULEVANT LE PETIT HAUTE MARNE 19-5 21

Native Women Overprints Varieties

INVERTED OVERPRINT





DOUBLE OVERPRINT





WIDE SPACING BETWEEN "4" AND "CENTS (TOP STAMP)



OVERINKING YIELDS "CBNTS"





Native Women Overprints Varieties

COLOR REGISTRATIONS































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Native Women Overprints Varieties

ACCORDIAN PAPER FOLD

Printing over a diagonal paper fold resulted in a white line in the impression and a small shift in the perforated edges.



Native Women Overprints

ESSAYS

Similar overprints were applied to revalue later stamps denominated originally in cents. The first value was reduced by a factor of 2.5 with the overprint.





FORGED POSTMARK

This is an example of the 30 cents on 75-centime Native Woman stamp, which was issued in 1919. However, the stamp bears a Saigon postmark dated 23 April 1876! The forger's motivation for this creation is unknown.





Native Women Overprints Postmarks on 4 cents

ANNAM









BA-DON

DALAT HUE

SONG-CAU







TAMKY

KONTUM

TAM-QUAN







THANH-HOA

TOURANE

VINH

Native Women Overprints Postmarks on 4 cents

COCHINCHINE









BENTRE

CAP ST. JACQUES

CAI-NHUM

CHAUDOC





GIADINH

GOCONG





MOCAY

QUINHONE

LAOS





SARAVANE

MUONG-HOUM-XIENGHOUNG

Native Women Overprints Postmarks on 4 cents

TONKIN



CHIEMHOA



HAIDUONG



HAIPHONG



HANOI



LANGSON



LUCNAM



PHU-DA-PHUC



PHU-LANG-THUONG



DONG-DANG

RAILROAD



YENBAY A HANOI



VINH A HANOI



HAIPHONG A HANOI

ANNAM









BA-DON

PHANTIET

PHU-PHONG

QUINHONE







DRAN

TOURANE

DALAT







KEGA

DONG-HOI

BENTHUY

ANNAM



BINH-DINH



FAIFO



HONG-CHONG



PHANTIET



MUONG-SEN

SONG-CAU



THANH-HOA



TOURANE



TUYHOA



HUE



HUE



HUE

CAMBODGE







PNOMPENH



KOMPONGTIAM



BATTAMBANG



KOMPONGTIAM



PNOMPENH



PREYVENG

RURAL





COCHINCHINE





CHOLON

COCHINCHINE







CHOLON







SAIGON-CENTRAL





SAIGON-PORT

LAOS







KENGKABAO



PAKSONG



HOUEI-SAI



PAKLAY



PAKSE



SARAVANE



VIENTIANE

TONKIN







HONGAY



LANG-SON



MUONG-KHOUAN



PHU-LY



THAINGUYEN



VIETTRI



CHOGANH



DO-SON



HANOI



HANOI CHATEAU D'EAU



HANOI GARE



HUNG-YEN



KIEN-AN



LOCNINH

TONKIN







MUI-NGOC

NACHAM

NAMDINH









NGUYEN-BINH

PHU-NINH-GIAM

PORT WALLUT

THAINGUYEN

MARITIME



HONG-KONG

RAILROAD



HAIPHONG A HANOI



LANGSON A HANOI



YUNNAFOU A AMITCHEOU



AMITCHEOU A LAOKAY

CHINE



MONG-TSEU-CHINE

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