

IEM Stamps Its Mark

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A set of commemorative stamps was issued on 20 April 2009 by Pos Malaysia on the theme 'Engineering Excellence in Nation Building'. This stamp issue recognises the role of The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia as a prime mover in nation building.

This is also the first issue since independence which features a learned society. Previous commemorative issues featured universities, schools, organisations, various government agencies, events, sports, meetings and conferences. Special stamp issues typically features flora, fauna, culture, cartoons and places in Malaysia.

This issue is made up of three sets of setenant stamps (stamps of different designs printed jointly together).

The first setenant, with a face value of 2 x 30 sen, features 'Transportation and Ports – Connecting People and Places'. The second setenant, also with a face value of 2 x 30 sen, looks at 'Telecommunication and Power – Powering the Nation into the 21st Century'. The last setenant is made up of 2 x 50 sen values on 'Road, Bridge and Dam – Improving the Quality of Life'.

First day covers with a special cancellation on the first day of issue are available at the Philatelic Bureaus of major post offices in Malaysia.

It is indeed a special recognition to have The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia featured from the time of its foundation to its 50th Anniversary. ■



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