



INDIAN AIRMAIL SERVICES TO IRELAND:  
 KARACHI - BASRA - DUBLIN AND KARACHI - BASRA - ENNISKERRY

December 10, 1927 / December 12, 1927



Posted Karachi on December 10, 1927, and carried by Basra - London airmail service. Forwarded to Dublin. Basra transit postmark of December 16. Circular **BY AIR** cachet in black applied to airmails without airmail etiquette. The London - Basra service was inaugurated by Imperial Airways on January 6, 1927.



Posted Kirkee on December 12, 1927, and carried by Basra - London airmail service. Forwarded to Enniskerry. Karachi transit postmark of December 14. Circular **BY AIR** cachet in black applied to airmails without airmail etiquette. Indistinct ENNISKERRY arrival postmark on front.

**INDIAN AIRMAIL SERVICES TO IRELAND:  
QUETTA - BASRA - CAIRO - BELFAST**

**October 19, 1928**



Posted Quetta on October 19, 1928,  
forwarded to Basra and carried on October 27  
with Imperial Airways service **W88 Basra - Cairo**.  
**BASRAH** transit postmark of October 26.  
Forwarded to Belfast with black circular "**BY AIR**" cachet.

FIRST FLIGHT SERVICE BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS FROM INDIA:  
KARACHI - LONDON - ARMAGH

April 4, 1929

P.S.:  
give address  
the "Merano" as  
the lady will and as Mrs Aman  
lives in Bhatnagar Middle Colaba  
Bombay.  
4/4/29.

My Dearest Jack,

I am sending  
you an air mail letter so  
I know you will appreciate  
the lamp. I don't suppose  
you thought I would send me a  
letter by the air mail from  
England did I?



Posted COLABA, Bombay, on April 4, 1929,  
and carried on April 7 with first Imperial Airways service **IW1** Karachi - Croydon.  
Croydon was reached on April 14. Forwarded to Armagh.

**AIRMAIL SERVICE FROM INDIA BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS:  
KARACHI - LONDON - BELFAST**

June 16, 1929

By FIRST AIR MAIL.

From :- Karachi, India to Belfast Ireland.

Per :- "Imperial Airways".

To,

G.T. Callaghan, Esq.  
6th. Bn. The Kings African Rifles.  
C/o. Miss. Eileen Magee,  
102. Wellesley Road.  
Lisburn Rd. BELFAST,  
Ireland.

BY  
AIR

13 JUN 1929  
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AIR MAIL



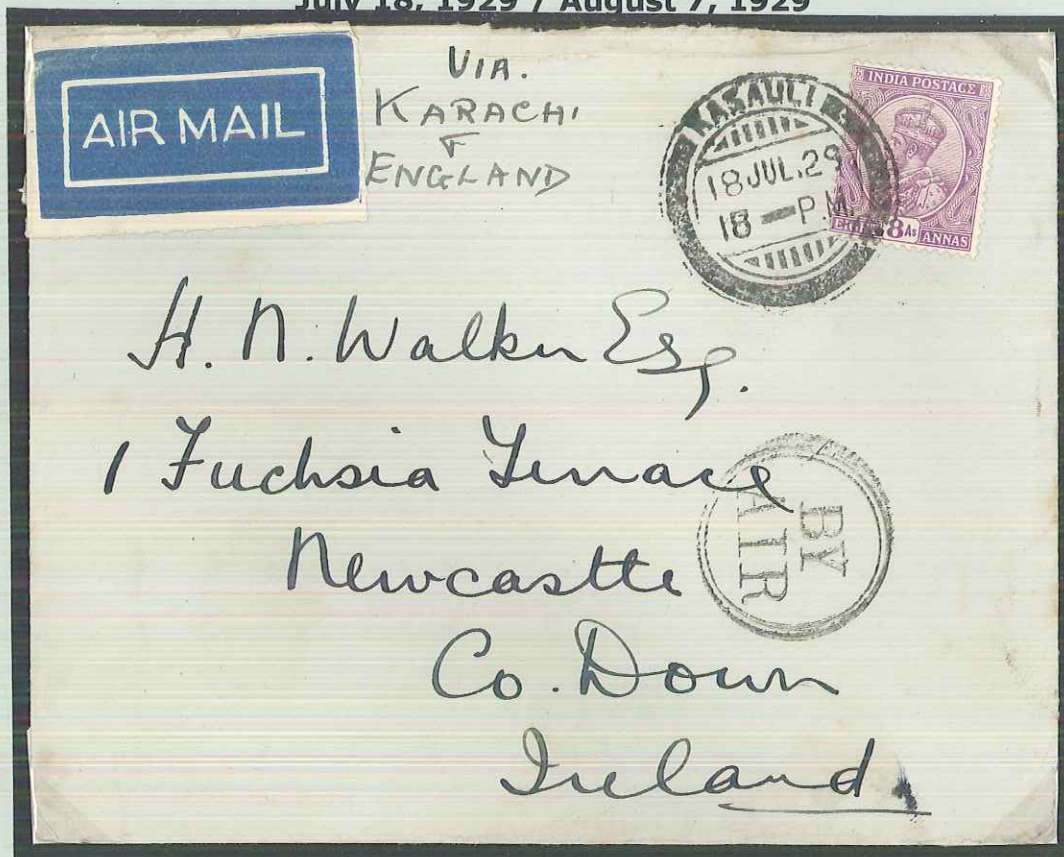
Posted **MHOW**, India, on June 13, 1929,  
and carried on June 16 with Imperial Airways service **IW11 Karachi - London.**

Croydon was reached on June 23.

Forwarded to Belfast, with black circular "**BY AIR**" cachet.

INDIAN AIRMAIL SERVICES TO IRELAND:  
KARACHI - LONDON - COUNTY DOWN

July 18, 1929 / August 7, 1929



Posted Kasauli on July 18, 1929, and carried on July 21 with Imperial Airways service **IW16** *Karachi - London*.

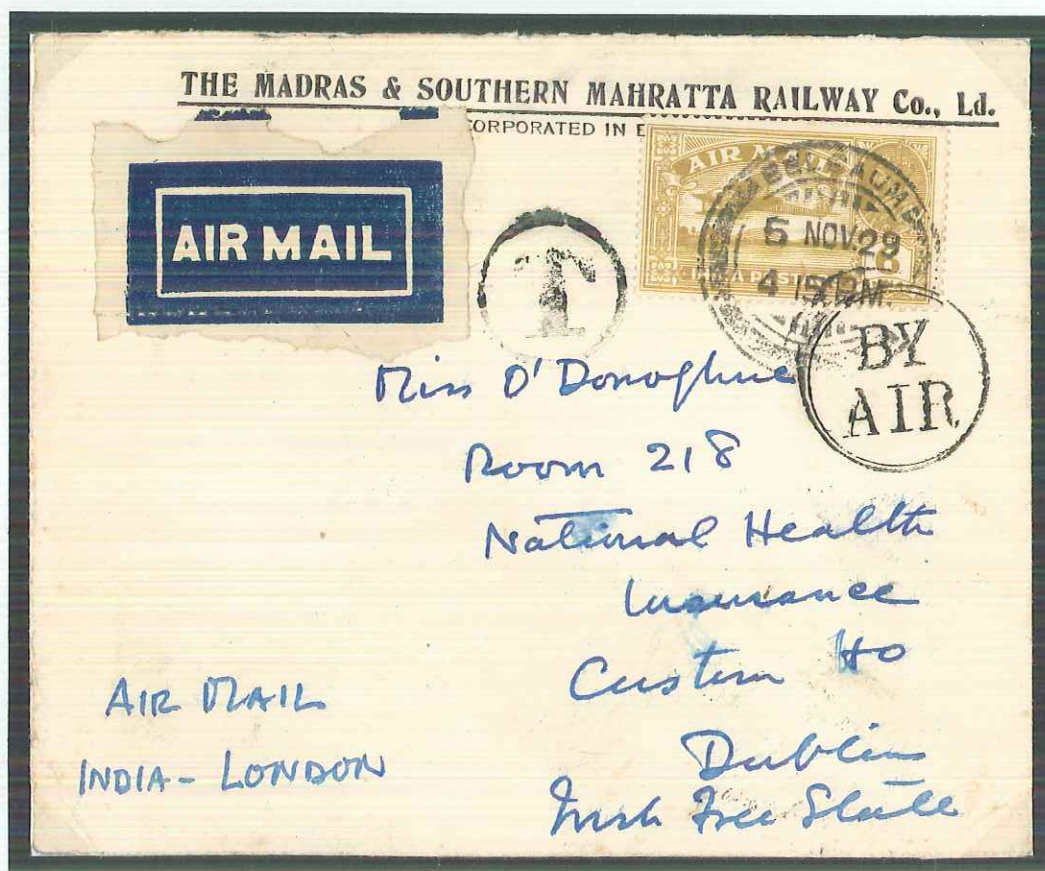
**KARACHI** transit postmark of July 20, 5.00 p.m. Croydon was reached on July 27. Forwarded to Newcastle, Co. Down, with black circular "**BY AIR**" cachet.



Posted Kasauli on August 7, 1929, and carried on August 11 with Imperial Airways service **IW19** *Karachi - London*. Croydon was reached on August 18. Forwarded to Newcastle, Co. Down, with black circular "**BY AIR**" cachet.

**FLIGHT SERVICE BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS FROM INDIA:  
BOMBAY - KARACHI - LONDON - DUBLIN**

**November 5, 1929**



"THE MADRAS & SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY Co., Ltd." envelope,  
posted **BELSAUM** on November 5, 1929,  
forwarded via Bombay to Karachi,  
with **BOMBAY** transit postmark of November 6,  
and carried on November 12 with Imperial Airways service **IW32**  
Karachi - Croydon.  
Croydon was reached on November 20.  
Forwarded to Dublin.

**AIRMAIL SERVICE BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS FROM INDIA:  
DEVLALI - BOMBAY - KARACHI - LONDON - ARMAGH**

**December 24, 1929**



Posted **DEVLALI**, India, on December 24, 1929,  
and carried "**BY AIR**" on December 30 with Imperial Airways service **IW39**  
*Karachi - Croydon.*

Croydon was reached on January 9.

Forwarded to Armagh.

**BOMBAY G.P.O.** transit postmark of December 25.

This was the first service after the extension of the route to Delhi.



FIRST FLIGHT SERVICE BY IMPERIAL AIRWAYS DELHI - LONDON  
AND FORWARDED TO DONEGAL

December 28, 1929



Posted Delhi on December 28, 1929, and carried on December 30  
with first Imperial Airways service IW39 Delhi - Karachi - London.  
Special first flight cachet in black DELHI - KARACHI.  
Croydon was reached on January 9.  
Forwarded to Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

**AIRMAIL SERVICES FROM INDIA:  
"TRANSMITTED BY AIR MAIL MARSEILLES - LONDON"**

**August 29, 1930**



Posted Nagpur on August 29, 1930,  
forwarded to Bombay, carried by steamer to Marseilles  
and by airmail service Marseilles - London.

**BOMBAY** transit postmark of August 30.

Boxed cachet in violet

**"TRANSMITTED BY AIR MAIL / MARSEILLES - LONDON".**

Forwarded to Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

INTERRUPTED AIRMAIL SERVICE FROM INDIA:  
POONA - BOMBAY - DELHI - LONDON  
AND FORWARDED TO ANTRIM

May 10, 1931



Posted Poona on May 10, 1931, at 4.00 a.m., forwarded via Bombay to Delhi and carried on May 12 by Imperial Airways service IW110 Delhi - Croydon.

Croydon was reached on May 21. **BOMBAY** transit postmark of May 10.

Forwarded to Balmoral, Whitehead, Co. Antrim.

The City of Manchester had to make a forced landing on May 20 at Chaumont due to bad weather, before continuing to Croydon on May 21.

INTERRUPTED AIRMAIL SERVICE FROM INDIA:  
COONOOR/MADRAS - KARACHI - LONDON  
AND FORWARDED TO ANTRIM

August 15, 1931



Posted Coonoor, Madras, on August 15, 1931, forwarded via Bombay to Karachi and carried on August 20 by Imperial Airways service IW124 Karachi - Croydon. Croydon was reached on August 27. **BOMBAY** transit postmark of August 17.

Forwarded to Whiteabbey, Co. Antrim.

The "City of Karachi" had to make a forced landing near Lingeh on the Persian Gulf on August 22 due to engine trouble. The "City of Baghdad" took passengers and mails to Cairo two days later.