
Postes Perses
10 CHAHIS
5 CHAHIS
2 CHAHIS
3 CHAHIS
12 CHAHIS
1 KRAN
2 KRANS


POSTE PERSANE
5
10
25


POSTE PERSANE
50
10
POSTES PERSANES
POSTE AERIENNE
Ch
Kr




1 KRAN
POSTES PERSANES
5 KRAN
10 KRAN
2 KR
5 Ch






5
KRANS
POSTE PERSANE
5


50 Krans 50
Postes
Persanes


2 Krans 2
Postes
Persanes




5 Chahis 5
Postes
Persanes


Cent tomans
Service
Service
POSTES PERSANES
CHAPIS
CHAPIS
CHAPIS
CHAPIS
CHAMI
SERVICE INTERIEUR
PROVISOIRE


POSTES PERSANES
1 Chahi


10
POSTES PERSANES

2
POSTES PERSANES

3
POSTES PERSANES
3 Chahis

6
POSTES PERSANES


13
POSTES PERSANES
13 Chahis

1
POSTES PERSANES
1 Chahi














POSTES PERSANES




POSTES PERSANES
officiel


Provisoire
1919
1 chahi
3 chahis
6 chahis
12 chahis
POSTES PERSANES
Règne de Pahlavi
SPECIMEN


POSTES PERSANES
3 CHAHIS
6 CHAHIS
1 CH
3 CH
5 CHAHIS
6 Chahis
10 chahis
CONTROLE
1922


POSTES PERSANES


1 Chahis
2 Chahis
3 Chahis
6 Chahis
1924


2 Chahis
3 Chahis
6 Chahis
9 Chahis
10 Chahis
1 Kran
2 Krans
1925


POSTES PERSANES


RÈGNE de PAHLAVI
1925
POSTES PERSANES


POSTES PERSANES
Règne de Pahlavi
1926


POSTES PERSANES
DOUANES




POSTE AERIENNE




Poste aérienne
1 Ch.
2 Ch.
3 Ch.
5 Ch.
10 Ch.
Poste aérienne
2 Krs.


1 Ch.
2 Ch.
3 Ch.
6 Ch.
9 Ch.
10 Ch.
12 Ch.
15 Ch.
1 Kr.
3 Krs.
5 Krs.
1 Toman
2 Tomans
POSTES PERSANES


1 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
2 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
3 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
4 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
5 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
6 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
8 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
10 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
12 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
15 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Ch.
1 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Kr.
2 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Krs.
3 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Krs.
5 POSTES AÉRIENNES PERSANES Krs.


POSTES PERSANES




5 POSTES PERSANES Drs.
10 Drs. POSTES PERSANES
15 Drs.
30 Drs. POSTES PERSANES
45 POSTES PERSANES Drs
75 Drs. POSTES PERSANES
90 Drs.
POSTES PERSANES
1 RL
1½ RL
POSTES PERSANES
5D
10D
50D
100D
POSTES IRANIENNES


POSTES PERSANES
5



PERSIA.

1903-4

Money Order Stamps

Values in TOMANS.

Stamp usually numbered on the back..

9179



8087







differs by having Cent tomans. e.g. 100.

592





Shah is Muzaffar-ed-Din 1896-1907.

Persia to 1935
Empire of western Asia, known

Persia..

1906. Overprints:-
Provisiore and Line. 1 ch to 13 ch.

Perf or Imperf.







1 ch. Perf.













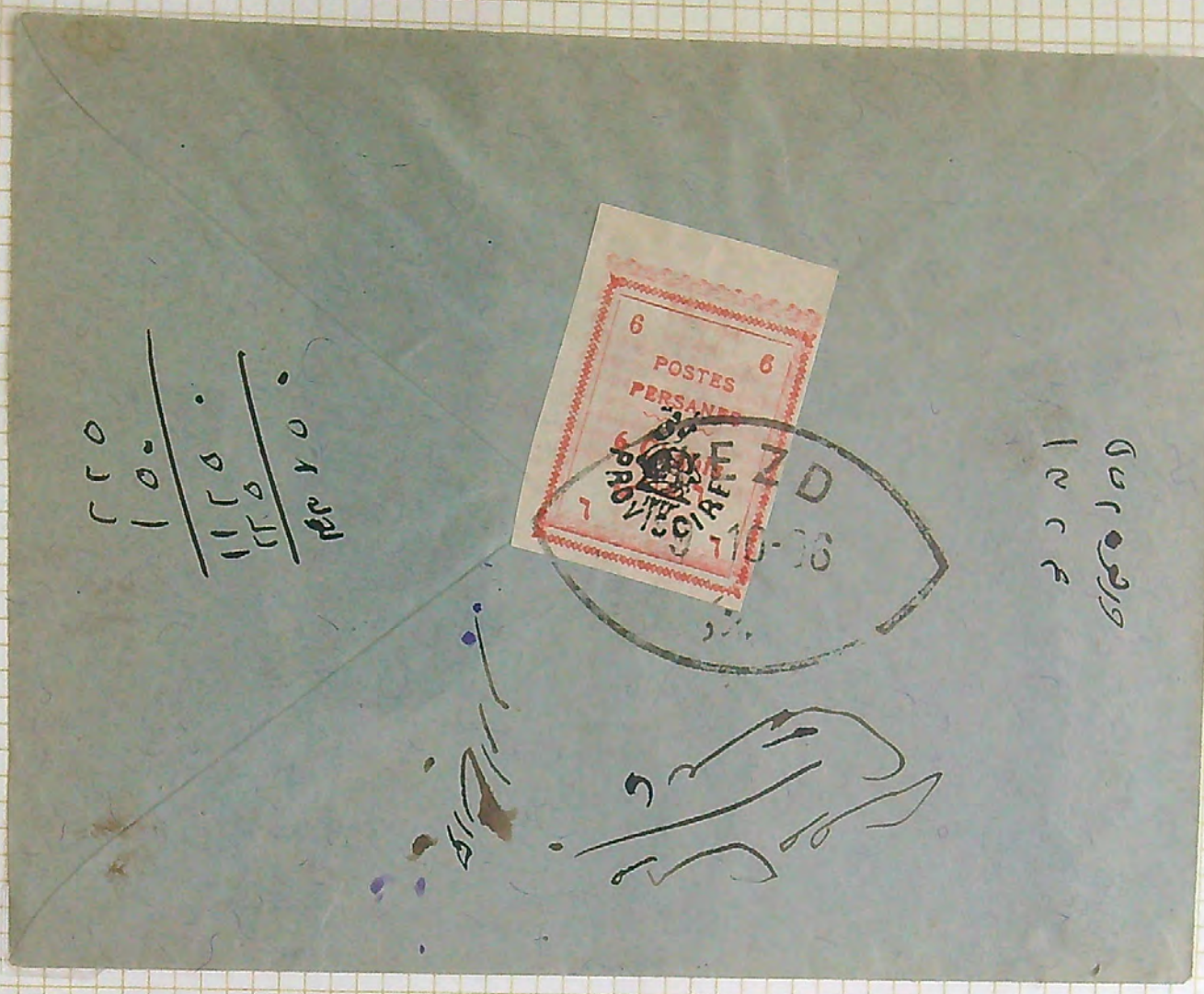




Persia to 1935
Empire of western Asia, known since 1935 as Iran, which has

PERSIA.

1906 .. Yezd to Ispahan. Muzaffer ed. Dies.



This cover has been franked on the reverse with a 6 Chahis Carmine Provisioire 'Typeset' from the 1906 issued stamps.
The stamp is cancelled by a large oval cancel of Yezd, dated 9-10-06.
Yezd is a city in the state of Yezd.
Ispahan arrival datestamp is on the front of the cover. P.T.O.

Persia to 1935
Empire of western Asia, known since 1935 as Iran, which has

1906.
overprints in black
The Imperf issues.

Persien.

Muzaff-ed-Din Shah
1896-1907.





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64





303









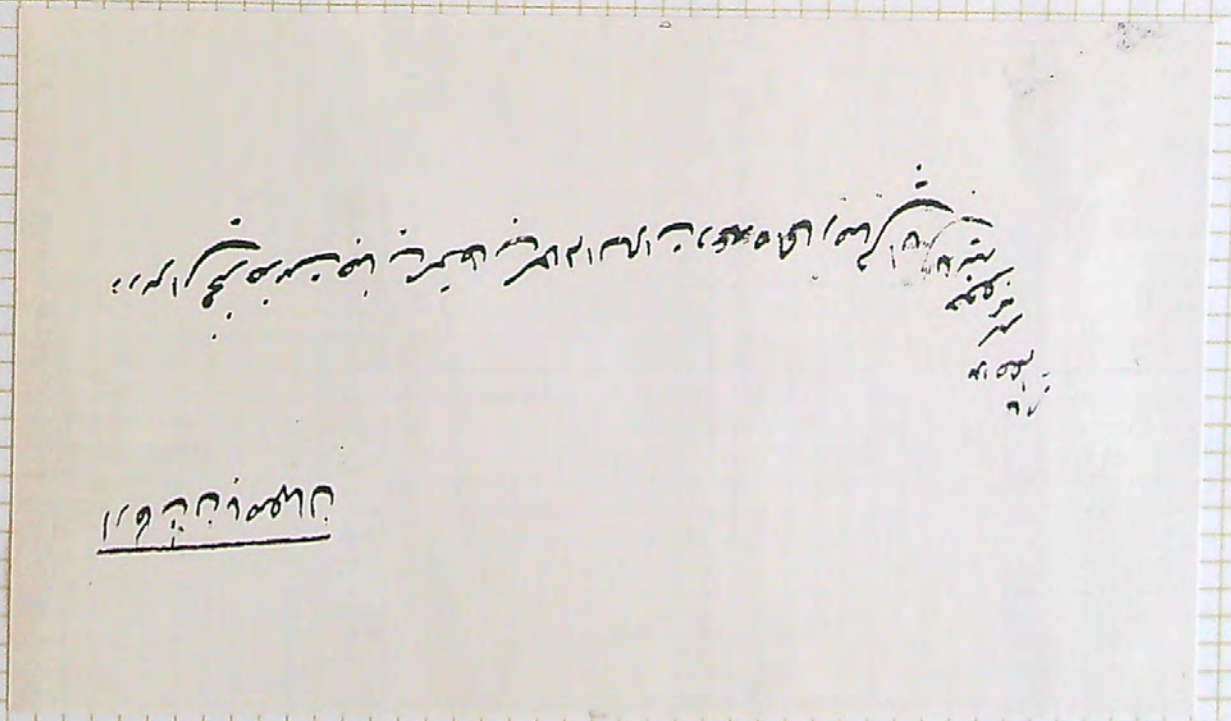
Persia to 1935
Empire of western Asia, known since 1935 as Iran, which has

PERSIA.

1903. Inland letter.



Letter to Teheran from Kaschan franked with a single 5 chahi from the 'Typeset' issue of 1902.
Red control mark off centre.
Note black oval seal.....



Persia to 1935

Empire of western Asia, known since 1935 as Iran, which has issued stamps since 1868.

Under the rule of Cyrus and Darius (522–486 BC), the Empire of the Medes and Persians formed one of the most important civilisations of the ancient world. The Persian Empire was conquered in the fourth century BC by Alexander the Great whose dominions extended eventually as far as the north-west frontier of India.

The Hellenistic kingdoms into which Persia was divided survived the onslaught of the Romans but were eventually overrun by Barbarian incursions from central Asia. Successive native dynasties



PERSIA.



Above Nasr-ed-Din, the Shah of Persia, 1848 to 1896

1876...



2 Sh. Black and green. Perf 13
Used from Bushire.

Head of Nasr-ed-Din.

Nasr-ed-Din, as Shah, set in motion many far-reaching reforms which effectively westernised the country. Among these reforms was a regular postal system, established in 1868.

Nasr-ed-Din was first portrayed on Persian stamp on a series introduced in 1876.

PERSIA.

Nasr-ed-Din
1848-96.

1876. Imperf.
February - August.

PIN PERF 10½ AND IMPERF

PRINTED IN BLOCKS OF FOUR.
NUMEROUS SETTINGS
ON GREYISH PAPER. MEDIUM TO
THIN.

REDRAWN TO INCLUDE
EUROPEAN NUMERALS



1SH



4SH

Y



1 SH

PERSIA.

Postal Stationery.



6 Ch.



12 Ch.

A 12 Ch. Impression cut off from an envelope. It could have been used to pay postage.

PERSIA.

1876. August

Nasr-ed-Din. 1848-96

Perf: 10½-11.





Perf: 12.




Perf: 12½ x 13




Perf: Compound
10½-11 and 12.

PERSIA.

1879.

Envelope stamp cut out and used as an adesive.

Nasr ed-Din Shah
1848-1896



used at RESCHT

$\frac{27}{6}$

Persia
1878.



S.q 38
1 K.
Red Yellow

Found in Club book at J.P.

PERSIA.

1879 (Feb.) - 80.

Nasr-ed-Din
1848-96.

As issues of August 1879
but with solid borders
in the 2nd Colour added.

Perf. 12.











Purple
Cancel.

5K

PERSIA.

1879 (Feb.) - 80.

As issues of August-1878
but with solid borders
in 2nd Colour

Perf: 13.







10ch







A forgerie of the 5sh. it has
a white border around the frame
where the perforations were effaced.

PERSIA.

1879 (Feb.) - 80.

As issues of August 1878 but with added solid border in 2nd Colour.

Nasr-ed-Din 1848-96.

Perf: Comp. of 12 and 13.









PERSIA.

1881 (Oct) - 1882 (Jan)

Printed by Litho in Vienna.

European Numerals and Persian in the corners

Perf 12.

Currency change
....100 Cents to the franc.

Nasr-ed-Din.













SUNDURST POSTMARK



Perf 13



Perf 12 + 12



Perf 12

PERSIA.

1881. June

Nasr.ed - Din
1848 - 1896

Perf 12 | Perf 13 | Perf 12 × 13.

5C. Mauve.



10C Carmine.



20C Dull Green

X N/A.

PERSIA.

Currency Change
100 Cents to 1 Franc

Nasr-ed-Din

1881 (Oct) - 1882 (Jan)
Printed by litho. in Vienna.
European numerals. Persian
in the Corners

Perf 12.









PERSIA.

Currency Change
100 cents to 1 Franc.

Nasr-ed-Din

1881 (Oct) – 1882 (Jan).

Printed by Litho. in Vienna.

European Numerals, Persian in the Corners

Perf 13.











5 F



PERSIA.

Nasr-ed-Din

1882. November.

In Persian Currency

Tablet in white

Perf 12. TYPE A. 3 Dots in right end of Scroll
12×13
13.

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5SH


12×13


12×13


13


12

Perf 12 TYPE B.
12×13 ..
13.

5 SH.


12×13


12


13

Perf 12
12×13
13

10 Sh.


12


13


12×13

1884 Colour change 50c to Grey-black

Perf 12
13
12×13


12


12×13

PERSIA.

1885.

Stamps of 1882 Hand stamped as:

Perf 12 | Perf 13 | Perf 12 × 13.

OFFICIEL

۴ 3 ۴



6 on 5sh

6 on 5sh



12 on 50sh



18 on 10sh



1T on 5f.

PERSIA.

1887 (Nov.).

Stamps of 1882 handstamped as:-

OFFICIEL
۲ 3 ۲

Perf 12:
Type A
3 Dots.

Perf: 13
Type A
3 Dots.

Perf 13
Type A
Type B Dots



3 on 5sh

Perf 13
Type B
2 Dots

3 on 5sh

Perf 12



6 on 10sh

Perf 12



8 on 50c.

Perf 12 x 13.



6 on 10ch

PERSIA.

1885 (March) - 86.

Nasr-ed-Din. 1848-96.

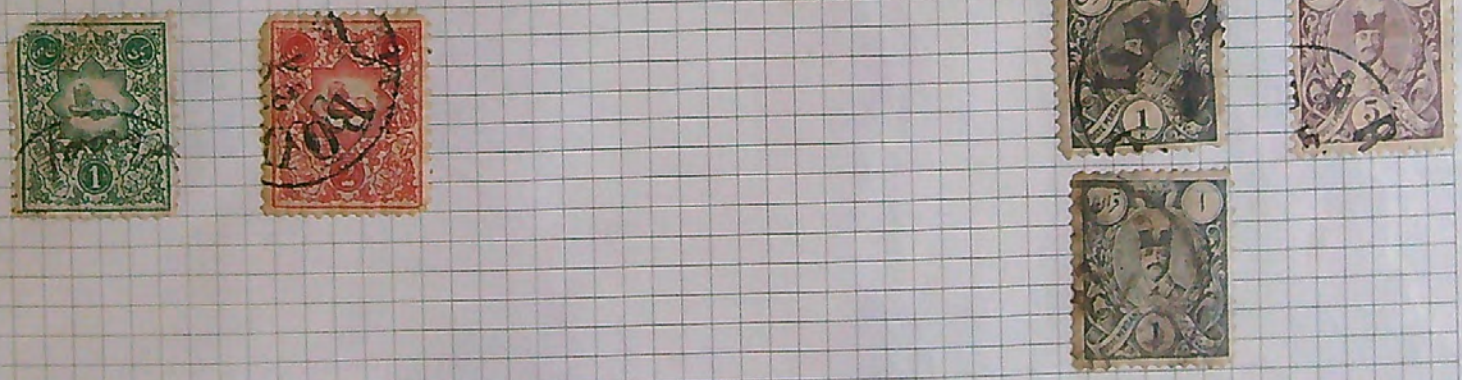
Perf. 12.



Perf. 13.



Perf. Comp. of 12 and 13.



PERSIA.

Nasr ed-Din
1848-96

1884 (November).
Printed in Paris
by Typo

Values 1ch - 5kr.

Low values show the Lion emblem
High Values show the Shahs portrait.

Perf 11






Perf 13½



7







Shade of 5ch


Badly perforated.

Perf 11 x 13½

5ch

PERSIA.

1889 (November)
Printed in Paris
by Typo.
Values 1 Ch - 5 Kr.

Nasr ed-Din.
1848-96.

Low values show the lion emblem
High values show the Shah's portrait.

Perf 11.






Perf 13½ x 11




Perf 13½





Deep Rose



Rose.





BADLY PERFORATED.

Perf 11 x 13½

5 Ch

PERSIA.

1891. (28th November).
Mixed Perfs: either 10½ or 11½.

Nasr-ed-Din
1848-1896.











11½

7







1



2

PERSIA.

Nasr ed-Din
1848-96.

1891 (28 November)

Printed in Vienna

by Typo.

Must have Bright
Yellowish Crumbly
Gum.

Perf 11½.



















PERSIA.

Naser ed-Din
1848 - 96.

1891 (28 November)
Printed by typo at
the Govt Printing works
Vienna

Perf 10½.















2R
orange



PERSIA.

Nase-ed-Din.
1888

H.9.4.



Postal Stationery pre-paid Postcard (2½) to Odessa in Russia from Tehran.
Stamp impression cancelled by oval Tehran postmark in Persian and English for the 3rd Dec. 1888
Arrival date at Odessa for the 16th Dec 1888.

H.9.4
Mint.



PERSIA.

1894 (September)

Printing by Typo
als Entscheda.

Low values feature
the Lion emplem.

High values show the
Shah.

Nasr-ed-Din
1848-96

Perf 12½






Perf 11½ × 11.













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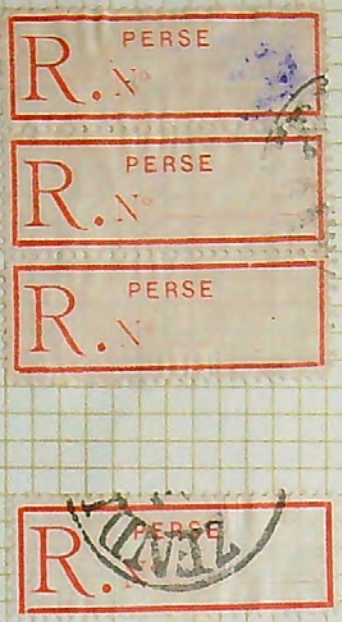
PERSIA.

Registeration Labels used for Postage.



Postmasters in Persia had to account for Registeration Labels at 1ch. each. Their use as 1 ch. stamps were often sanctioned when there was a shortage. They were either used six to an envelope to make up the Inland rate of 6ch., or in combination with regular postage stamps. The most common combination seen is with the use with a 5 ch. stamp.

1ch Registration Label used for postage with overprint "1 chahi, Service Interieur"



o/p in black. o/p in violet.

Assumed to be bogus.

Iran 1906 CINDERELLA: 1ch red 'Registration' stamp used for postage with 1906 '1 CHAHI SERVICE INTERIEUR' handstamp in black and second copy with handstamp in violet. Both are used. Assumed to be bogus. (AS SG 245 & opt SG type 49) /s69/ **£10**

Persia
Postal Stationery

Carte-Correspondance
DE
PERSANA

Service.

Carte-Correspondance
DE
PERSANA

SERVICE



PERSIA.

Postal Stationery:

CARTE POSTALE DE PERSE

کارت پستال ایران



HG31

Nom et adresse de l'expéditeur.
(Indication facultative.)

اسم و آدرس فرستنده
(تعیین نشانی اختیاریست)

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این طرف فقط باید عنوان نوشته شود

PERSIA.

Muzaffer .ed-Din
1st May 1896 – 8th Jan 1907.

Muzaffars portrait did not appear on stamps until 1897 almost two years into his reign

Control marks had to be hand stamped on stamps in 1898 because stamps stocks were stolen by bandits and corrupt government officials and the shahs administration was becoming increasingly unpopular.

In 1905 Merchants in Teheran paralised the economic life of the capital by taking 'bast' a form of strike, demanding a court of Justice. Muzaffar agreed but later broke his word which resulted in 12,000 Teheran's taking 'bast' in the British Legation's large garden. Muzaffer eventually agreed and authorised the foundation of a National Assembly.

Muzaffer died in 1907.

STAMPS:-

1897. Three Values, handstamped locally: 5 on 8ch, 1K on 5K and 2K on 5K

1897: 16 Values 1ch – 50 Kr.

1898: Control marks: 16 Values of the 1897 issue handstamped in Blue.

1897: Same Values but on greenish paper, Colour changes on Krran Values

1900: stamps of 1897 H/S. in voilet. H/s across two stamps. Values 1ch – 12ch S.

1900: One value H/s locally 5 ch on 8ch Brown on voilet.

1901: More H/s. Locally 5 on 10, 5 on 1K, 12 on 1K 5K on 50K in VOILET S.

1902: Type-set Imperf values 1ch – 50K Mint values rare.
1902: Feb. 1 Surcharge. 5K on 5K yellow Mint value rare.
1902: March: Type set without control H/s. Values 1ch – 12. R.
× 1902: MARCH/APRIL Issued at Meshed. Values 1ch – 1Kr. V. Rare M & U.
1902: MAY Teheran Local Post 1 Value 2ch
1902: July. Official 3 values 5c on 1K, 10ch on 1K & 12ch on 1K
× 1902: Sept Type-set values Values 1ch – 50K.
× 1902: Sept. Surcharge 5 Kr on 5K
1902: Dec. Teheran Local Post, 1 val. 2ch Red Brown R.
1903: overprints PROVISOIRE 1903. 6 values 1ch – 1Kr Mint Rare.
1903/4: Values 1ch – 50K High values has Muzaffars portraite
1903: Various overprints: 1c on 3c, 2 on 3, 12 on 10K. 2To on 50K, 3To on 50K R.
1904: Various values H/s with new values 5 val.
1904/5: Teheran Local Post 1 Value 2ch grey R.
1905: More surcharges, all rare mint unused
1906: Surcharges issued at TABRIZ 2 vals 1ch on 10c 2c on 2K All Rare.
1906: Type set values 1ch – 13ch imperf
1900? : Money order Stamps

PERSIA.

1897 Surcharges.

Muzaffar-ed-Din
1896-1907.

٥ شاهی
5 Ch

in black / violet.

اقران
1 Kr



5 Ch on 8ch
Brown.

Surcharges are known in Black, blue and magenta.



1Kr on 5Kr
VIOLET & SILVER.



2Kr on 5Kr
VIOLET & SILVER.



In 1903. the 5K. and 10Kr of 1894 were Surcharged as below. wine made without authority purely for Collectors.





RED



BLUE



GREEN



ORANGE

PERSIA.

1907. The first issue of the new Shah. Mozaffer ed-Din. 1896 - 1907 (January)
New Colours for the lower values 1ch. - 16ch.
Engraved by E. Mouchon.
Printed in Typo by Enschedé.

Perf 12½. White Paper











Perf 12.









PERSIA.

1899. November.

Muzaffer-ed-Din
1896-07.

A reprinting on greenish paper on values 1 Ch - 16 ch

Perf 12½



Colour changed on white paper

Perf 12½ × 12



PERSIA.

1897 The first issues of the new Shah. Muzaffer ed - Dec. 1896 - 1907 (January).
New colours for the lower values 1ch - 16ch.
Designer E. Mouchon
Printed in Typo. by Enschedé.

Perf 12½. White paper.





Perf 12





1899.
Overprints with Control Marks.

Persia.

Shah Muzaffar-ed-Din
1896-1907







b.



Control Marks in Violet.





c.



c









Muzaffer-ed-Din, Shah, 1896-1902.













INVERTED.O/P



INVERTED O/P

Control marks on stamps were used from 1900 onwards to prevent stolen stamps being used postally as Banditry and government corruption were rife at this time.

Persia.

1899.
Overprints with Central Marks.

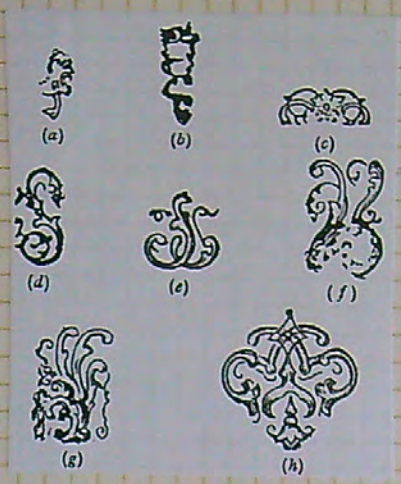
Shah Muzaffar-ed-Din
1896-1907







b



Central Marks in Violet.

3 4



c



d.

10 12 16

Muzaffer-ed Din, Shah, 1896-1907.







f

3 4K

5 10K 50K

PERSIA.

1899, November.

A reprinting on greenish paper. on values 1ch - 11ch.

Muzaffa-ed-Din
1896-07.

Perf 12½



Colour changes on white paper

Perf 12½ x 12



PERSIA.

Postal Stationery.
Postal Reply Post Cards.

Muzaffer ed-Din.
1896-1907.

2 Chahis

ورقهٔ پستی ایران

CARTE POSTALE DE PERSE



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4 Chahis.

UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE

ورقهٔ پستی ایران

CARTE POSTALE DE PERSE



A 91

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Persia.

1900.

Muzaffer-ed. Om.

The 8ch of 1894 Surcharged in violet





BLACK O/P



VIOLET O/P.

1901-2.



Stamps of 1898 Surcharged either

12CH. پنج شاهی

or

5K. پنجقران

in violet or blue.









5K on 50K
V

50K
Blue.

PERSIA.

1902 (July) Official

Two 1 Kran Carmine-Red from November 1899, Surcharged:- 5 chahis
10 chahis
12 chahis.



Service

5 CHAHIS ٥







Persia

1902.

Muzaffer-ed-Din

Stamps of 1894 and 1898 overprinted:





1894 Issue.

















16

ON T21













INVERTED







VOILET.

5 ON 10
Red D/P



5K on 80ch

PERSIA.

Postal Stationery.
Post Card, Overprinted PROVISOIRE 1319.

Muzaffer ed - Din
1896 - 1907

1902.

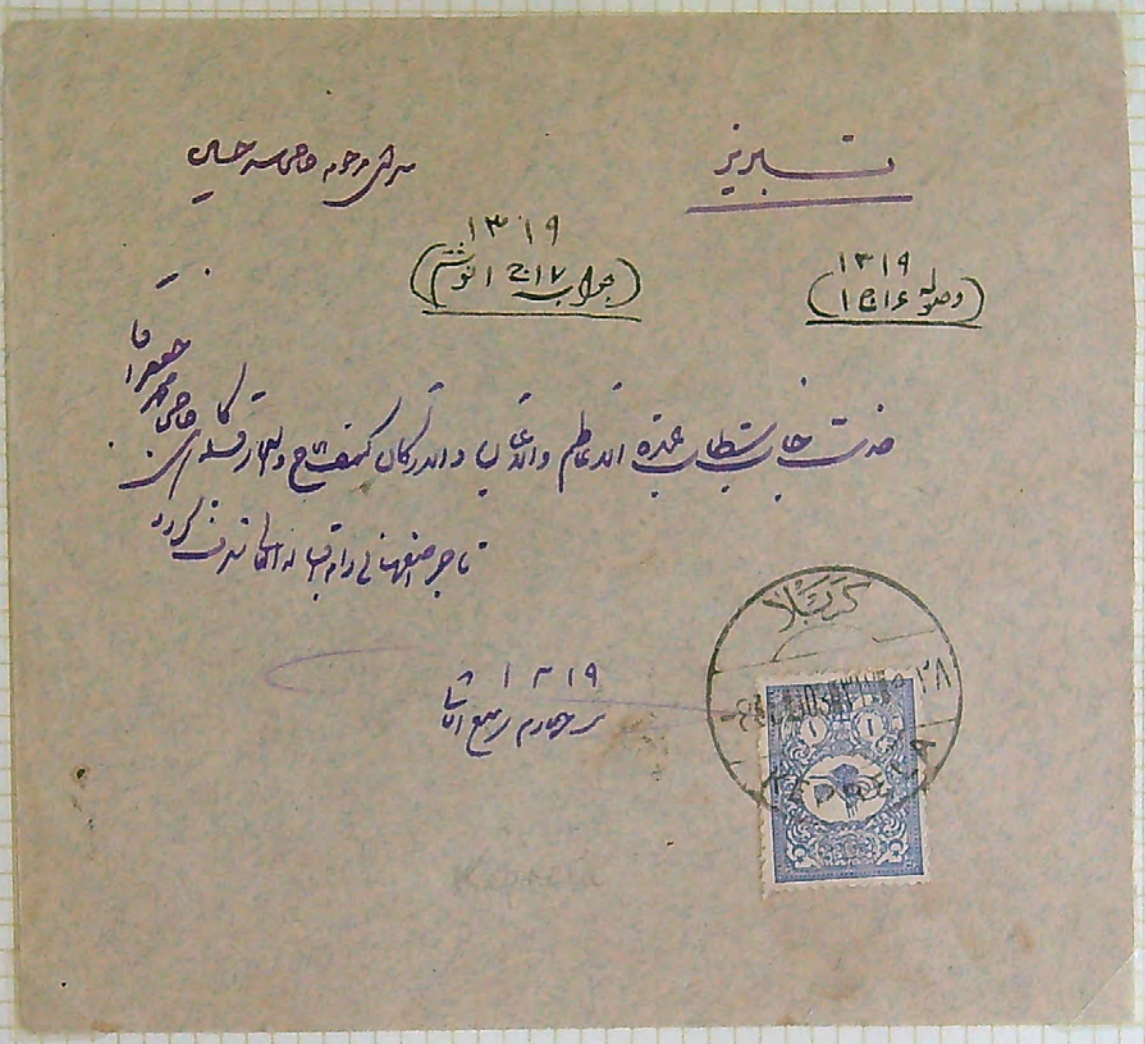
2 Chahis.



PERSIA.

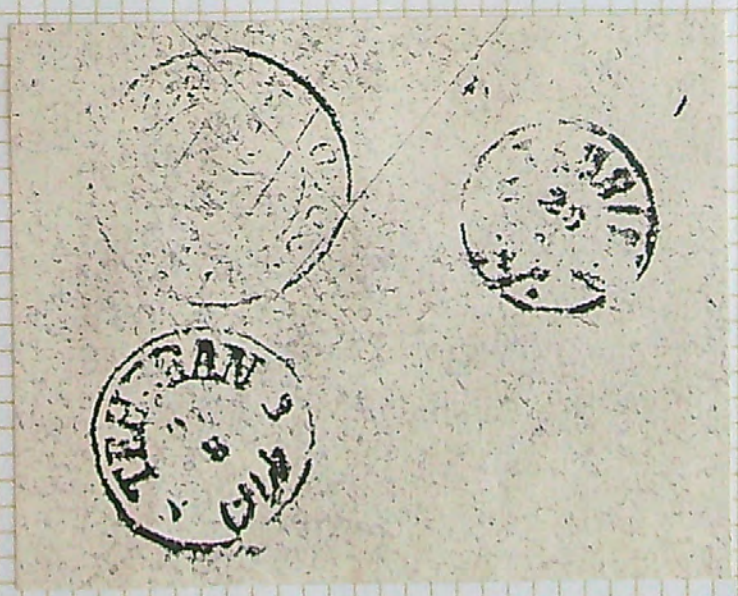
Turkish stamp used in Persia

1903



Letter bearing a Turkish 1 piastre stamp, postmarked at KEPRELA ·· 03

Backstamps:



TEHERAN _____

_____ TABRIZ

Persia.

1903-4

Lower Values Typo.

Perf 12½.

Muzaffer-ed-Din.
1896-1907





















Values 1K. to 50K. centres engraved by B. Strang.

Printed by Enschede'.





PERSIA.

1903-4.

Lower Values Typo.

Perf 12½.








Values 1 Kr to 50 K.
Centre engraved by
R. Strong

Printed by Enschedé.







50

Green.

PERSIA.

Muzaffer-ed-Din
1896-1907

1903-5. Official

Stamps of 1903-4 overprinted:

Service

in black.



















20





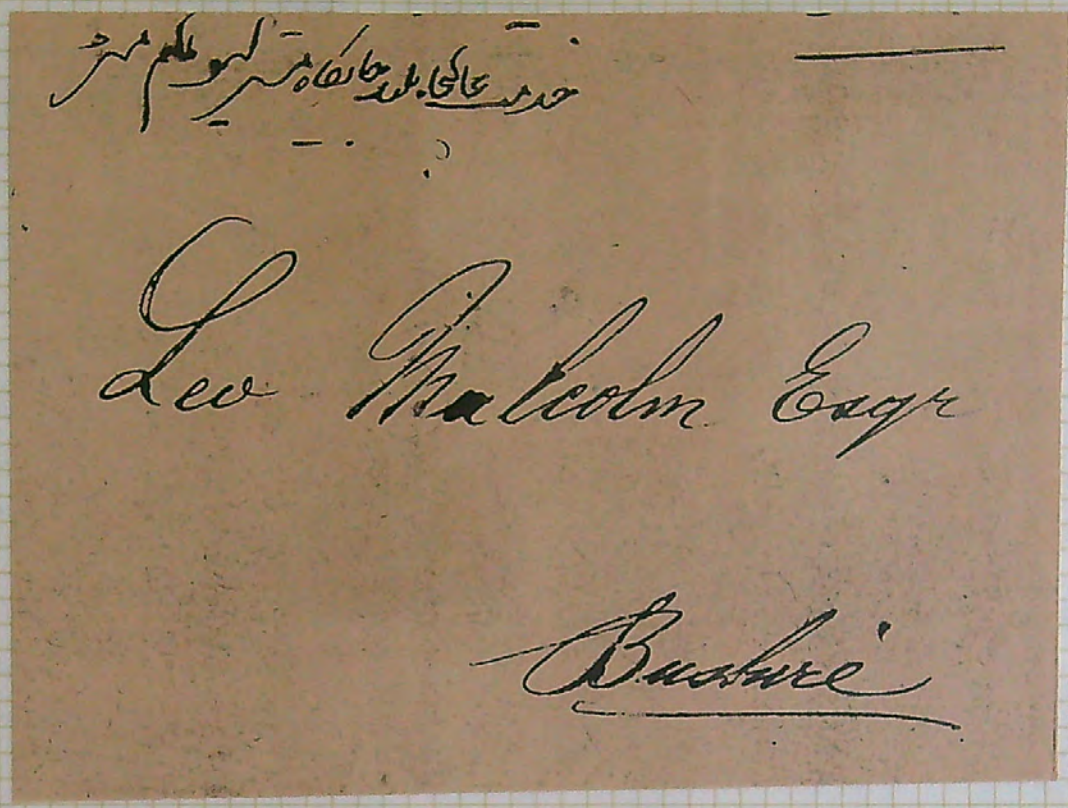
30



50

Persia.

LETTER TO BUSHIRE FROM TEHRAN BY CAMEL. 1903-4



BUSHIRE, ENGLISH SPELLING.

Letter from TEHRAN to BUSHIRE, circa 1903-4. Rate 5 chs. Stamp used S.G. 377 5 ch Rose-red. Issued 1903-4.



TEHRAN DEPARTURE

The 5ch stamp is from the 1903-4 series, in use for only a short period.

Persia.

1903 Surcharges on issues of 1903.

Muzaffar-ed-Din. 1898-1907









1Ch on 3Ch(B)



1Ch on 3Ch.(V)



2Ch on 3Ch(B).

2Ch on 3Ch(BK).

2Ch on 3Ch(V)

2an on 5Ch(B)

2an on 5Ch(R)

3t on 5Ch(BK)

12Ch on 10K

Mint



Persia

1904 Surcharges.

Muzaffer-ed-Din
1896 - 1907.



Stamps of 1903 Surcharged.

There are two settings



NARROW WIDE.



3 Ch on Rose (BK)

3 Ch on Rose Yell



6 Ch on 10 Pale Brown (BR)



9 Ch on 1 Kr.



Tall Thin 9.



Mint



Persia.

1905 Surcharges

Muzaffer-ed-Din
1896 - 1907



Stamps of 1898 overprinted with either 46 or 47.





1 Chai on 1 Kr. purple (BK). MAGENTA



1 chai on 1K purple OIP ni BLACK *



2 chai
5K
Violet

1906

1ch on 3ch
green M
NO 46

* unpriced by Gibbons.

PERSIA.

Letter to India from Kerman to Quetta.... 1905
Transit by Camal to the Coast and then by Sea to India.



Letter was routed via Bandar-Abbass to Quetta.
Rate 13 Chahis.
Stamps used:- 10 Chahis pale brown, from the 1903-4 issue.
and the 3 Chahis overprint on the 5 Chahis
Rose-red from the same issue.
Both stamps are scarce on cover.
Dates: Left Kerman 2nd July 1905
Arrived Bandar Abbas on the 22nd July 1905
Final destination Quetta 30th July 1905
In Transit 28 days.
Kerman is in the Interior and Bandar Abbas is a port on the Persian Gulf.

PERSIA.

1904. Teheran Local Post.

Muzaffer ed Din

1896 - 1907.

THE 2 Chahis Grey of THE 1903-4 Series hand. stamped

P.L. TÉHÉRAN

IN Violet...





Red and blue hand stamps can be found but these were probably not official.





PERSIA.

POST CARDS.

1909.



Embossed 'Stamp' Card showing Persian Stamps.
Produced in Holland, printed in Germany

PERSIA.

London to Ispahan, Persia.
Via Russia.

HADJI ALI AKBAR & SONS
LONDON

SENT BY.

Sept 29th
1904.



ISPAHAN →

Via Russia. →

← PERSIA.

Luckely the sender put the English version of the Persian town of Ispahan and the country of destination on this letter. otherwise the London postal sorting office would have had a problem.



Backstamps include two for Teheran and one for Ispahan
Arrival date in Teheran 15th October.
No Russian datestamps.
Postal rate 5D.

FROM MOSCOW.

TABRIZ

TEHRAN

ISPAHAN.



PERSIA.

Muzaffer ed-Din.
1896-1907

1906. Surcharges.
Issued at Tabriz without authority and withdrawn after fourteen days.

1 CHAHI
SERVICE INTERIEUR





IN 1908 the 1K and 2K. of the 1899 values were Surcharged in Black, Violet and Blue. The authority of these issues have not been established as yet.







untisted Surcharged Stamp.



1906. Issued at Tabriz and Surcharged:

1ch or 10ch



Surcharge in Violet

2ch on 5K Blue.

These stamps were issued without permission from the central authority and were withdrawn after 14 days....

PERSIA.

Muhammad ali Shah
Jan 1907 - 1909.

On his succession he initially revoked all the promises the previous regime had made.
By 1908 the Shahs authority had became limited to Teheran itself.
Outside Teheran tribal chiefs & brigands terrorised the countryside.
The chief of the Bakhtiari tribe, who had personal ambitions of the throne, marched on Teheran in 1909 and seized the city after a skirmish with the Persian Army. Shah Muhammad took refuge in the Russian Legation and abdicated.

STAMPS:-

1907. Jan. Reprints on blue paper of the previous Shah's Low values 1ct. - 10ch.
1907. Newspaper Postage Due 1 Val 2ch Red (on papers from abroad)
1909/9: Values to 50k feature the Shah in full regalia
1909: Teheran local Post, 2 val: 1c & 2ch.
1909: Another Newspaper Postage Due.

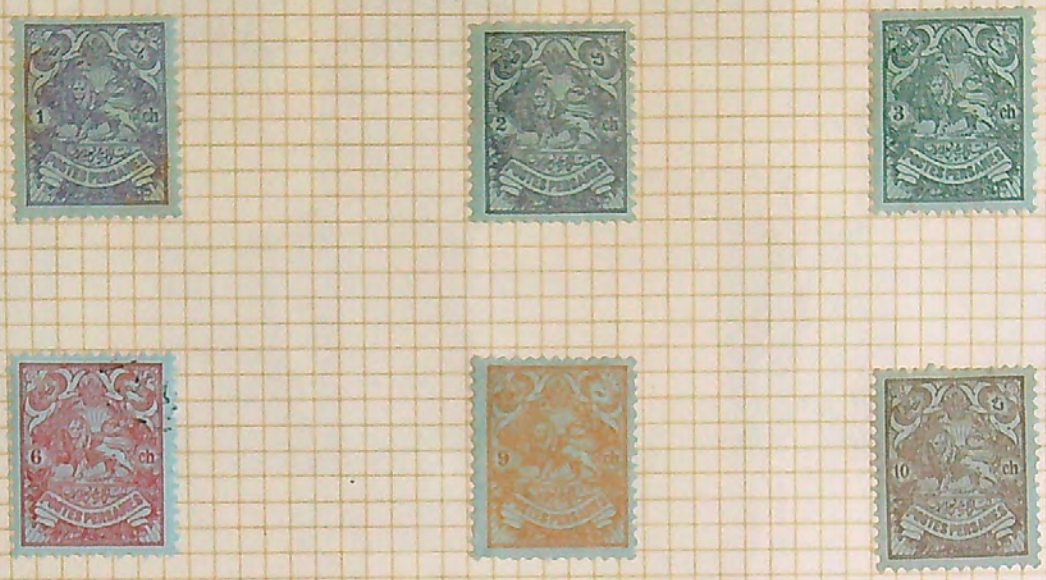
PERSIA.

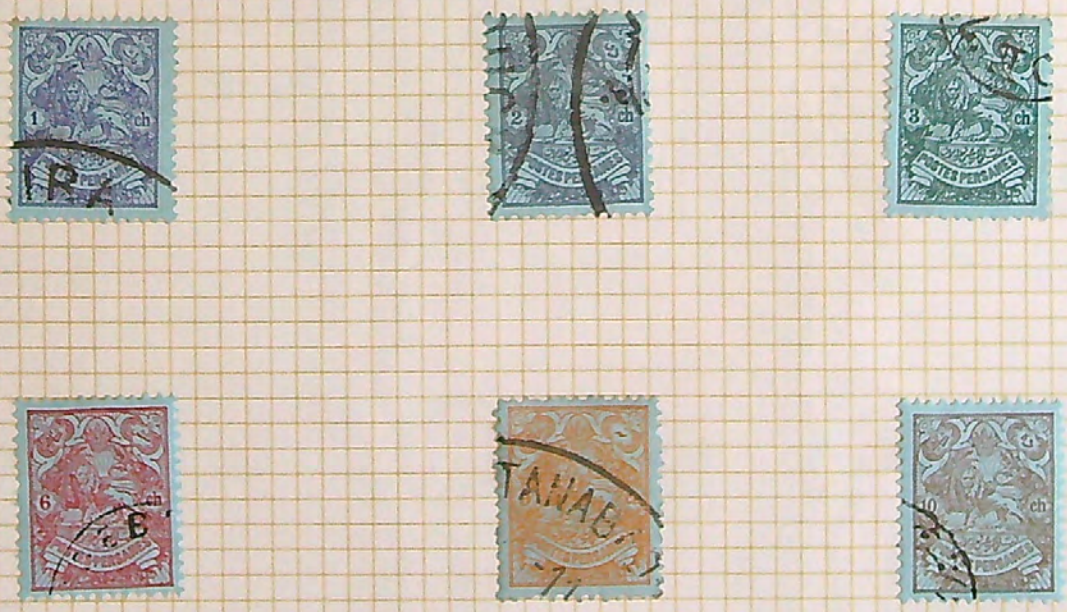
1907 (Jan) Blue paper

Perf 12½

Values 1ch - 40ch.

Mohammed Ali Shah.
1907 Jan - 1909 (Sept)





Persia.

1907-9.

Muhammad Ali Shah
Jan. 1907-09.

1 Ch. ALL BLUE PAPER.
10 Ch





OCHRE YELLOW

70

30

50

PERSIA.

1908-9. RECESS.

Perfs 11 x 11½ or 11½ x 11 (50K).

Printed in ENSCHEDE'

Values 13 ch to 50 Kr.

Mohammed Ali Mirza.
1907-09.














PERSIA.



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Halte de Chameliers — A Camel Driver

For centuries the main form of transport was the Camel.

1920s.



Photograph] **A Motor Breakdown in the Desert, Persia** *[Bishop Linton*

Motor Transport began in Persia in the 1920s but of course they were prone to break down. So Camels to the rescue.

PERSIA.

Sultan Ahmed Mirza Shah.
16 July 1909 - 31 Oct 1925 .....

Because of his young age, a Qajar Chief acted as regent at the beginning of Ahmed reign.

A series of stamps featuring the lion of Persia marked the start of the new reign in 1909

In 1911 overprints for officials were released on this issue

April 1911 saw a new series released showing Ahmed Mirza head and shoulders.
October 1911 4 values overprinted Relais (French for stages) and its Persian equivalent
OFFICIAL stamps were released in 1912 on the 1912 series

Russian troops moved into Persia occupying Tabriz in 1911 on the Caspian Sea, surporting the deposed Shah Muhammad Ali and to "Maintain Law & Order". Widespread looting took place including the cities supply of stamps.
The authorities in Teheran promptly retaliated by overprinting the stamps OFFICIAL in French and Persian which made to looted stock invalid.
The pretenders followers overprinted their stamps also, with a boxed overprint in ARABIC meaning Muhammad Ali Shah Qajar. These stamps are scarce.

The young Shah was crowned in 1914 and a set of stamps was released the occasion, in 1918.
Persia declared itself neutral in 1914 when Britain and Russia declared war on Turkey but it was totally ignored by most countries involved in the 1914-18 world war.
Persia became involved in the war, with Russian, Turkish, German and British troops rampaging all over the countryside, Britain & Russia trying to protect their oil supplies.
The chaotic state of affairs is well illustrated by the confusing array of provisional stamps of this period. Some of these are rare.
Peace was established in Persia in November 1918, but nevertheless British troops had to move against the Bolshevicks in Northern Persia after they had occupied Persia's Caspian Sea seaboard. Thousands died in a resulting famine.
Meanwhile in Teheran the Persian Government was in virtual turmoil and the Shah was no more than a figurehead.

A new figure emerged on the scene, a Col. Reza Khan of the Persian Army which had been defeated by the Jangalis in 1920. The Persian Army fell back to Teheran and encouraged by the British, sized power in 1921.
A set of stamp, the 1915 Coronation issue was released with an overprint (21 Feb 1921, in english and its Persian equivalent.

Reza Khan served as Minister of Defence but Ahmed Mirza was Shah without any powers.
Riza Khan was made Shah as Ahmed Mirza was taking a protracted tour of Europe.
Riza Khan recieved the title Riza Shah Pahlava (True Persian) in 1925.

STAMPS:- 1909. a set of 14 stamps featuring the lion of Persia 1ch - 30K.
Some used values hard to find.

1911. Officials 1ch - 2K. Used difficult.
13, 26, 3K to 30K Never issued as Officials

1911. Portrait of Ahmed Mirza set of 21 1ch - 30K. Mint Expensive.

1911: Oct O/P. Relaise (supplied to heads of Posting stages, both new set values used. Rare ∴ expensive. more so Mint.

1912: 7th Feb Official O/P. due to looting by the Russians at Trabritz.

1912: April. looted stamps O/P Mohammed Ali Shah Khan by his followers
S.G. only price used

Persia

1909 - 10.

Sultan Ahmed Shah 1909-25.

















Chahi values in the centre are in Maroon.













Kran Values centres are in Sepia.





Typo. J. Enschedé.

Persia

1909.- 10.

Sultan Ahmed Shah
1909-25

































Typo. J. Enschede.

Persia

1909
The new Sultans
First Stamps.

Sultan Ahmed Shah
1909-25















2c



2K



4K



10K

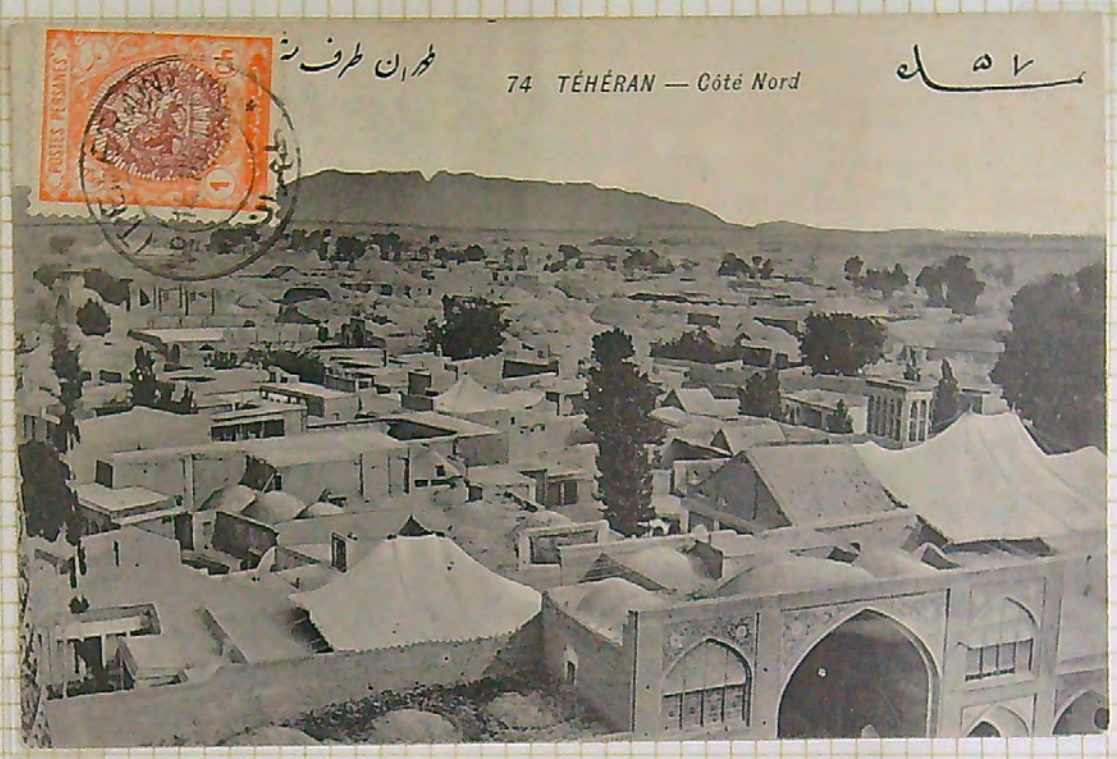
20K



Persia.

A Postcard from Teheran.

17.12.1910.



A view of Teheran.



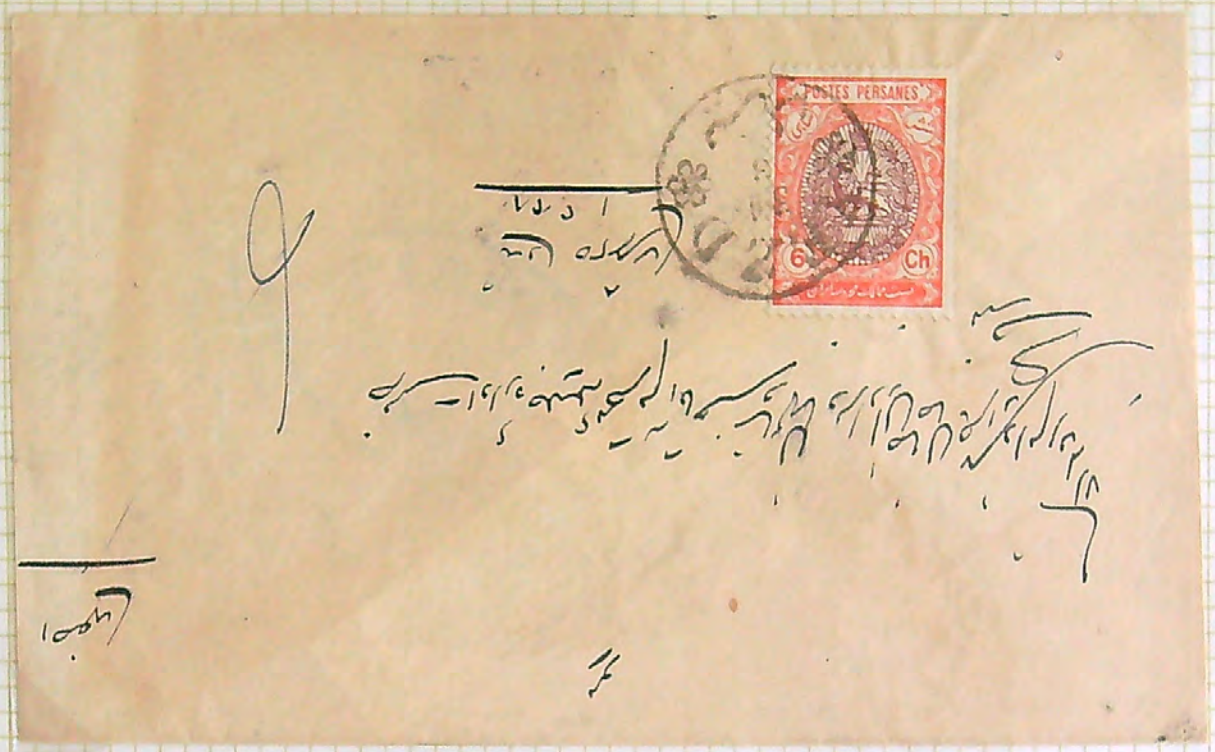
Reverse of Postcard.

The stamps used are from the 1909 issue to mark the beginning of Sultan Ahmed Shah's reign.

PERSIA.

Yezd to Ispahan

1909.



Letter from Yezd to Ispahan with a 1909 6ch scarlet and maroon stamp, issued during 1909 - 1910. The stamp is tied by a Yezd "flower" cds.
Arrival marking for Ispahan by oval cds. (See over)
The stamps from this issue only in use during 1909 - 10.

PERSIA.

1911

Avis de delivrance.



Part of the Avis de delivrance form bearing stamps to the value of 1 Kr. 10 Ch.
Used from the Post Office at Tehran.

Persia
Official Stamps.

1911.
Part of the 1909 Issue over-printed

Service

مکاتب دولتی

















Other values from the set were overprinted but not issued.













Persia

1911-13.
April.

Perfs. 11½, 11½ × 11 or 11½ × 12.

Sultan Ahmed Shah







ISSUED 1922.





1913









1913





1913





1913









1913









Centres engraved, Frame Type..

PERSIA.

Persian

1911-12.

Sultan Ahmed Shah











































CENTRES. ENGRAVED, FRAMES TYPO.

Perfs 11½, 11½×11 or 11½×12.

PERSIA.

Postmarks..

DOWLAT–ABAD–MALAYER

دولت آباد ملایـــر

LOCATION:

Old name of the city of Malayer. Located in the 5th State. Distance to Arak 94 KLs.





Persia.

A Letter to England from Chiraz

12 January 1912.



Letter addressed to a Colonel William Capper on Napper (See over), posted from CHIRAZ, Persia dated 11-1-1912.
The letter reached BOUSHIR on the 24-1-1912, an overland journey of thirteen days by Camel.
Postage Rate 13 Chahis.
Stamp used is the 13 ch Blue & Violet with Ahmed Mirza portrait.
No British arrival date.

Persia

Sultan Ahmed Shah
1909-25.

1911 (Oct)
overprints...

RELAISE (FRENCH FOR STAGES)
AND THE PERSIAN EQUIVALENT.











Stamps with this overprint were used for letters dropped in boxes at the horse-posting stages between Resht and Teheran. They were supplied to the heads of the posting-stages at 10% below face, and the overprint was necessary to prevent their resale to merchants in the towns at a discount. The experiment was a failure, and was discontinued after a few years trial.















13

Persian o/p partially
Missing.

Persia

Sultan Ahmed Shah
1909-25

1912

Overprinted OFFICIAL in English and Persian.

Officiel















26



2

3





20

30

This overprint was applied to stocks as a check to prevent the use of a stock of stamps looted by Russian troops from the province of Tabriz. It does not mean that the stamps were for Official use only

PERSIA.

1912 (APRIL).

STAMPS ISSUED BY THE SUPPORTERS OF THE DEPOSED Shah, MUHAMMAD ALI MIRZA

SEVEN VALUES 1ch to 1K. WERE OVERPRINTED, WHICH

السلطان
محمد علی شاه قاجار

MEANS:
MUHAMMAD ALI
Shah QAJAR.



S.G. only give prices for Used stamps.

PERSIA.

Bouchir to Chiraz.

1912



This Letter left Bauchir, on the Persian Gulf, on the 5th Nov. 1912, but it didnt reach its destination Chiraz, until the 11th December 1912.
Transit time: 39 Days: Chiraz is about 50 miles from Bauchir.
Postal rate: 6 ch.
Stamps used: 3 x 2 ch. from the 1911 issue. Perf. 11½ x 11.
Bouchir is Bushir in English, a port on the Persian Gulf.

PERSIA.

Sultan Ahmad Mirza Shah
1909 - 25

1914 November - December.
Surcharges
on
the portrait series of 1911,
in Persian and English.









Variety:-
Due to a weak printing
the date appears to be
1911.



PERSIA.

Sultan Ahmed Mirza Shah
1909 - 25.

1915.

Surcharges on the 1909 issue

5 Chahis on 1 Kr.





12 Chahis on 13 ch.





PERSIA.

1915.

Stamps of 1909 handstamped.

۱۳۳۳

"1333"

Signifies the year according to the Moslem Calender.



Lion of Persia.

Shah Ahmed Mirza.















STOP AFTER DATE



All values can be found with a Stop after the date caused by a projecting piece of metal on the front of the handstamp.

PERSIA.

1915

Stamps of 1909 handstamped

Shah Ahmed Mirza.

۱۳۳۳

"1333".

Signifies the year according to the Moslem Calendar.















The 2, 10, 20 and 30 Kr. exist with the hand stamp but the were never issued.



PERSIA.

...Yezd to Teheran.

1918.

Reverse side.

6 Chahis
۱۳۳۵



Letter from Yezd to Teheran franked with a 1917 6ch on 12ch blue and green from the Provisional issue.
Arrival date at Teheran 2.III. 1918.
Method of transport:- Camel.

PERSIA.

Chiraz to Bushire.
First World War.

1916.



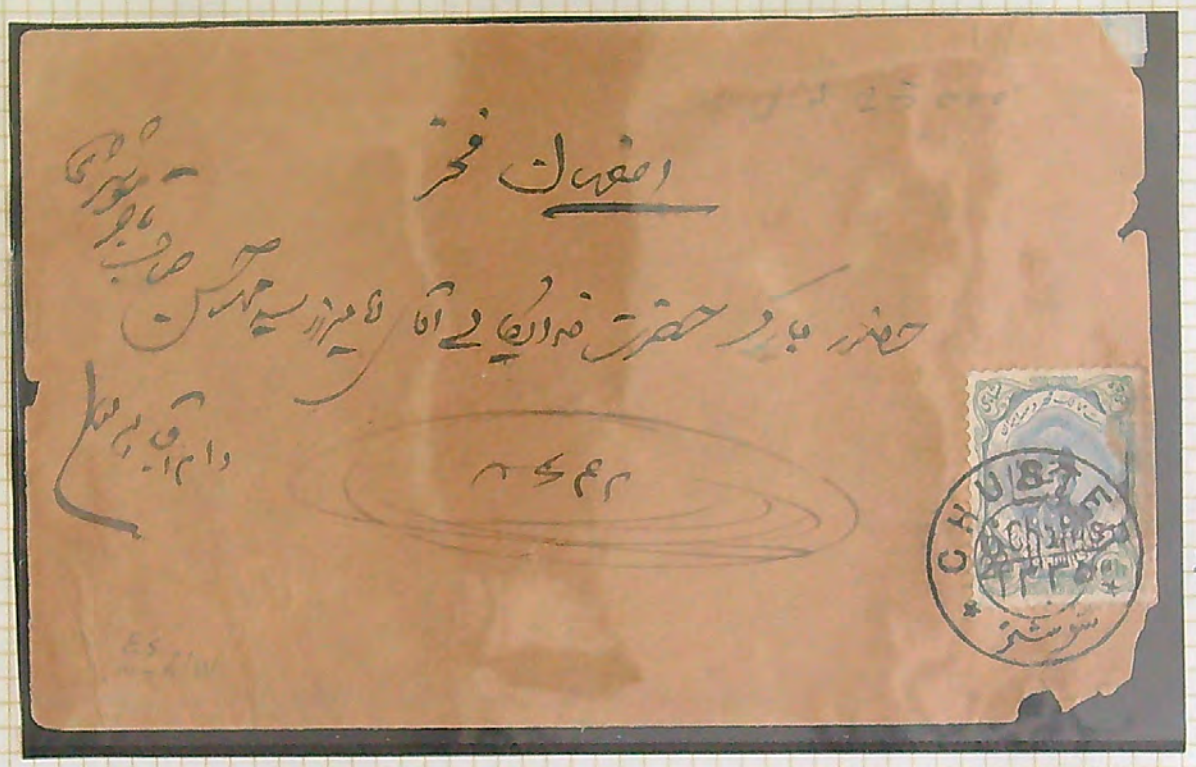
Posted at Chiraz on the 26 October 1916, the letter bearing 2 values overprinted with the hand stamp meaning 1333. Rate 6 chahis.
Arrival date at Bouchire (Bushire, english version) on the 1st November 1916
On the front of the letter is a violet ink double ring PASSED CENSOR BUSHIRE with initials.

P.T.O for front.

PERSIA.

Chuster to Bender.

1919.



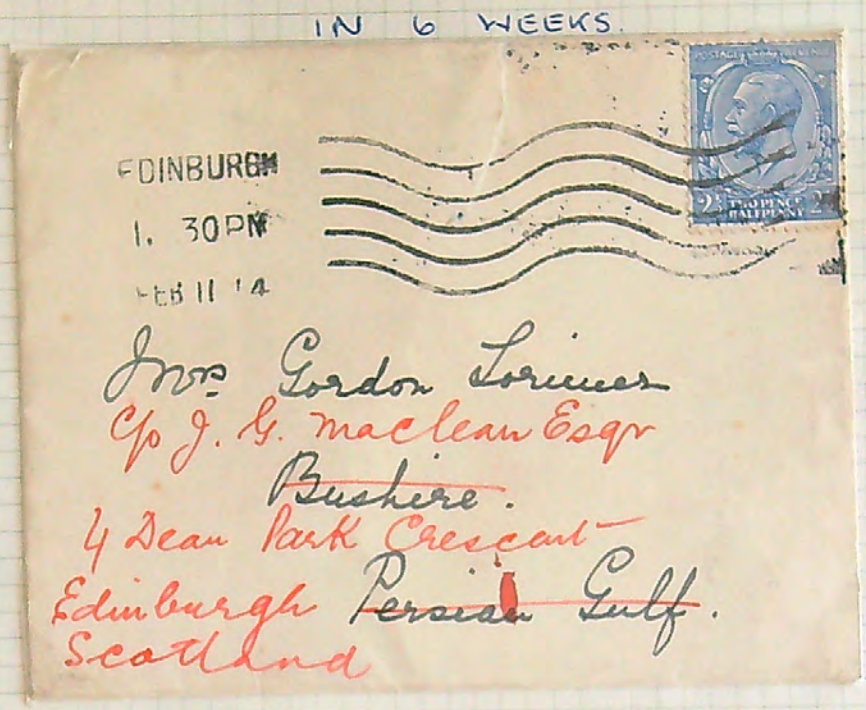
22-11-19.

Internal letter from Chuster to Bender.
arrival date 24-11-19.
Rate 6 Chahis.
Stamp is the 12 ch from 1917.
Note that the overprint is thinner and more distinct than the previous cover, perhaps denoting a later printing.
Method of transport:- Canal.

6 Chahis
1335

PERSIA.

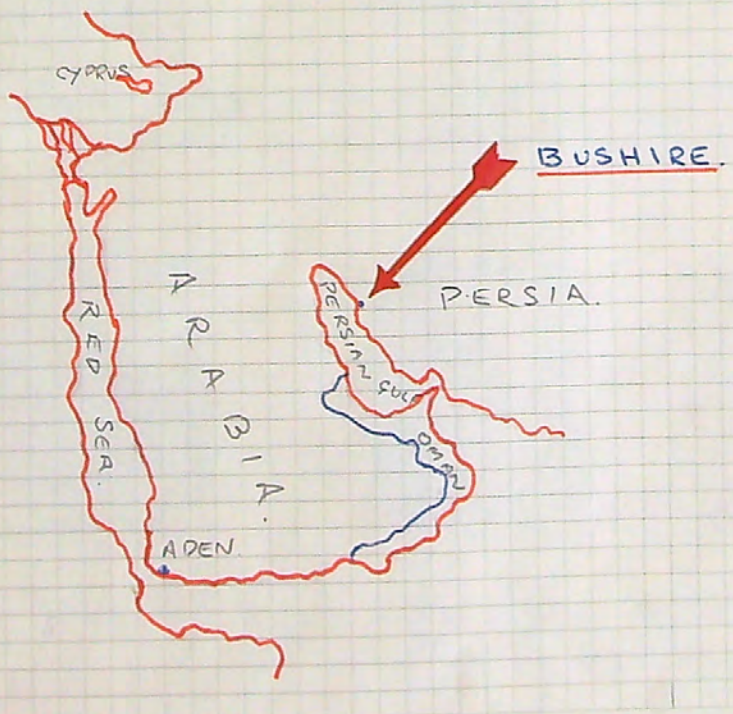
EDINBURGH TO THE PERSIAN GULF AND BACK TO SCOTLAND IN 6 WEEKS.



$2\frac{1}{2}^D$ RATE IN 1911 TO MIDDLE EAST.

G.B $2\frac{1}{2}^D$ (1912). VOILET-BLUE.

LEFT EDINBURGH ON THE 11TH FEB 1914
ARRIVED IN BUSHIRE ON 4TH MARCH 1914
RE-DIRECTED BACK TO EDINBURG, ARRIVAL
28TH MARCH 1914.





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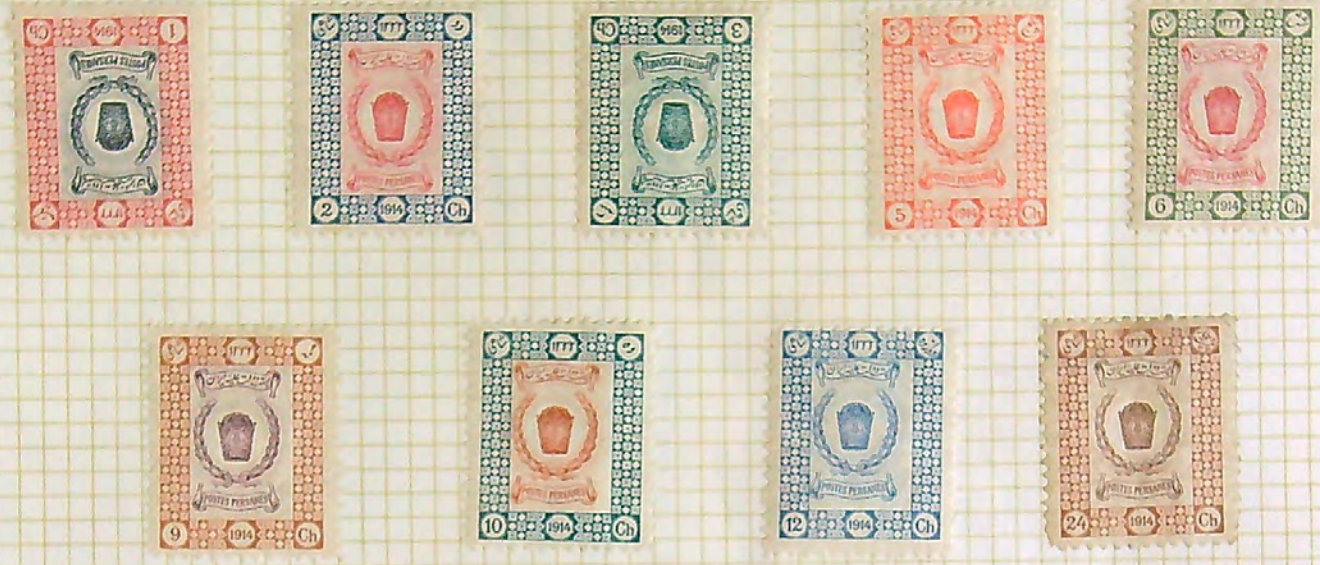
PERSIA.

1915. April

The Coronation of Shah Ahmed.



The 1ch. to 24ch. show the Imperial Crown.



1 Kr. to 5 Kr. feature a frieze from the apadana of King Darius at Persepolis and shows him seated on a throne.



1 toman to 5 tomans shows the impressive gateway of the Palace at Persepolis.

PERSIA.

1915. April.

The Coronation of Shah Ahmed.....



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PERSIA.

Stamps issued for the Coronation of Shah Ahmed over-printed Service in Persian and English..... 1915.



































PERSIA.

1917 Surcharges.

Stamps of 1909 Surcharged.

Sultan Ahmed Mirza Shah
1909 - 1925.





June - August 1917

1 chahi on 2 chahi.

TYPE 74.





1 chahis on 9 chahis

TYPE 74



+



3 chahis on 9 chahis.

TYPE 74



3 chahis on 10 Chahis

TYPE 74

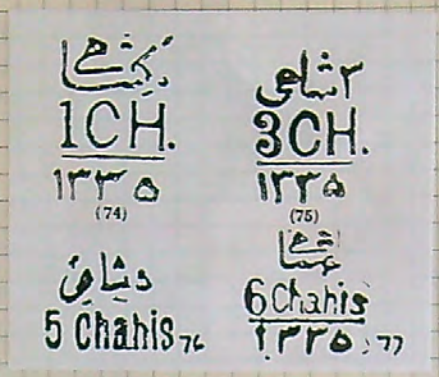




PERSIA.

1917 Surcharges on Stamps of 1909 & 1911.

Sultan Ahmed Mirza Shah
1909-25



3 Chahis on 26 Chahis

Type 74



5 Chahis on 13 Chahis.

Type 76.





1 chahi on 10 Chahis

TYPE 74





6 chahi on 12 chahis

TYPE 77



Persia

Famine Relief Stamps

'KHERIEH'

1918 (15th March).

One of these stamps had to be affixed to every letter or newspaper, the proceeds going to famine relief.



Teheran Issues.
Lithographed.



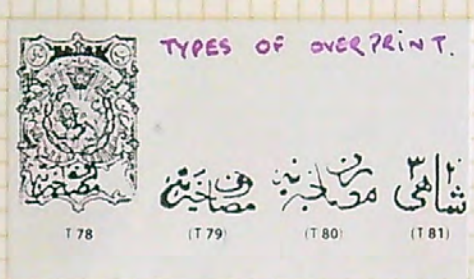
1ch. Slate-Lilac



1ch. Deep Slate Lilac.













Persia

1918. Overprint "1336"

۱۳۳۶

One value only.



Sultan Ahmed Shah 1909-25.



1918. Surcharges.

۲۴ شاهی
24 CHAHIS
۱۳۳۶

10 KRANS
ده قران
۱۳۳۶







1918 overprints

Novembre
۱۳۳۷-1918

Persia

1918. Surcharges.

Sultan Ahmed Shah
1909-25

