



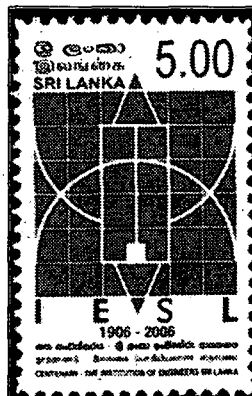
New stamps for the new year

The Philatelic Bureau of the Department of Posts is issued four new postage stamps in the denomination of Rs. 5, 10, 20 and 50 on January 4, 2006 depicting the wild animals of Wilpattu National Park.

These stamps have been designed By Mr. Kelum A. Gunasekera.

The official first day cancellation of these stamps took place at the auditorium of the Central Environmental Authority, Battaramulla, recently with the participation of Posts and Telecommunications Minister D.M. Jayaratne, Foreign Employment Promotion Minister Rohitha Abeygunawardena and Agriculture, Environment, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development Minister Maithripala Sirisena and several other distinguished invitees.

Meanwhile the Philatelic Bureau will issue a new Rs.5 postage stamp, today to commemorate the centenary year of the Institute of Engi-



neers of Sri Lanka.

The stamp was designed by Mr. Mevan Fonseka.

The official first-day cancellation of the stamp will take place at the B.M.I.C.H. at 3.30 p.m. with the participation of Prime Minister Ratnasiri Wickremanayake, Posts and Telecommunications Minister D.M. Jayaratne, Foreign Employment Promotion Minister Rohitha Abeygunawardena, and several other distinguished invitees.