
Egyptian Commemorative postage stamps across different historical periods as a non-traditional information source : bibliometric study

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Abstract

The commemorative stamp is a historical record of a state with all its events and important events over time. Therefore, it is an important source of information that must be preserved and its historical, future and current importance highlighted.

Over the years, Egyptian stamps will remain a memory that bears Egyptian history with all its events, personalities and attitudes, and reflects the nature of the age for future generations.

The Egyptian commemorative postage stamps are a record of the most important events that Egypt has experienced, whether historical or militant, over thousands of years. It also commemorates the personalities who played a great role in Egypt's modern and contemporary history.

The study aims at identifying the reality of Egyptian commemorative postage stamps as a source of non-traditional information, and the numerical, qualitative and linguistic trends of these stamps. The study applied 1439 Egyptian commemorative postage stamps. The descriptive analytical method was used. The bibliographic approach was used to study numerical trends And the quality of Egyptian postage stamps.

One of the most important results of the study is that the nature of the commemorative postage stamp is an important source of non-traditional information for information about (the name of the country and the price of the stamp in Arabic only or in Arabic and English together, The name of a person, a particular event, a particular occasion, or an institution. A small term may be written to describe a specific person or event. The name of the graphic designer or painter may be placed on a character, graphic design Design, symbol or form of a particular event, occasion or person, Sometimes watermarks or invisible signatures are placed in order to protect the character from imitation)

The number of Egyptian commemorative stamps was also counted in 1439 stamps from 1925 to 2017. The distribution of the stamps was calculated according to the first and second deciles of the Dewey decimal classification. The researcher also classified the Egyptian postage stamps in another form, Which covers national and national events and events and national and international celebrations and championships, came in first place with 29.1% with 419 commemorative stamps. Second, we find the commemorative stamps covering the figures (national, scientific, artistic and religious) with 28.1% And the third place, we find the commemorative stamps covering the achievements and

projects by 21.7% with 312 commemorative stamps. In the fourth place we find the commemorative stamps that cover historical monuments and tourist landmarks by 17.9% with 257 commemorative stamps. Covers folk arts and crafts. By 3.3% with 47 commemorative stamps.

The Egyptian postage stamps were divided according to the dates of their publication to varying periods of time since 1925 - 2017.

According to the language, Egyptian commemorative stamps, which were written in Arabic only, were equivalent to 1001 characters by 69.6%. Egyptian postage stamps written in both Arabic and English were 360 characters with 25.1%. The Egyptian, written in both Arabic and French, understood 77 characters by 5.4%. One Egyptian souvenir stamp was written in Arabic and Russian.

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