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Republic India Coins

1 Paisa





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The One Paisa coins were minted from 1957-72. These Coins can be broken in 4 different varieties.

- 1957-61 - 1 Naya Paisa- Bronze
- 1962-63 - 1 Naya Paisa Nickel - Brass
- 1964 - 1 Paisa - Nickel-Brass
- 1965-72 - 1 Paisa - Aluminium-Magnesium

❖ 1957-61 - 1 Naya Paise - Bronze

On the obverse of these coins we can see the Lion Capital of Ashoka in the centre surrounded by the Legend “Bharat” and “India” towards the left and right respectively. On the reverse side of the coin the denomination “1” is inscribed in the centre surrounded by the text “Rupay ka sauva bhaag” on the circumference in English. The text “Naya Paisa” is written just below the denomination and the year of minting below that. As usual the mint mark is below the year of minting.

1 Paisa 1957-61

Year of Minting	1957-1961
Metal	Bronze
Weight	1.5 gm
Diameter	16 mm
Shape	Circular
Edges	Plain

❖ 1962-63 - 1 Naya Paisa Nickel - Brass

The coins minted from 1962-63, everything was similar however the metal used was interchanged with Nickel-Brass which is an alloy of 75% Copper, 20% Zinc and 5% Nickel.



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❖ 1964 - 1 Paisa - Nickel-Brass

The word “Naya” was dropped from all the coins and it was replaced by the denomination in words. Other than this, these 1 Paisa coins minted in 1964 were similar to the coins minted from 1962-63.

1 Paisa 1961-64

Year of Minting	1961-1964
Metal	Nickel-Brass
Weight	1.5 gm
Diameter	16 mm
Shape	Circular
Edges	Plain

❖ 1965-72 - 1 Paisa - Aluminium-Magnesium

Metal was changed from Nickel-Brass to Aluminium Magnesium and shape from circular to square. Inscription on the reverse of the coin was also changed, the legend “Rupay ka sauva bhaag” was replaced by “Paisa” in English inscribed to the right and “Paisa” in Devanagari inscribed to the left of the denomination. Moreover the legend “Ek paisa” below the denomination was also removed.

1 Paisa 1965-72

Year of Minting	1965-1972
Metal	Aluminium Magnesium
Weight	0.75 gm
Diameter	17 mm
Shape	Square with round corners
Edges	Plain



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Mint wise details of minting including Rare (R) / Scarc (S) is as under:

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Year	Mumbai	Kolkata	Hyderabad
1957	✓	S	S
1958	S	✗	R
1959	✓	S	S
1960	S	S	R
1961	✓	✓	✓
1962	✓	S	✓
1963	✓	✓	✓
1964	✓	✓	✓
1965	R	✗	R
1966	✓	✓	✓
1967	✓	✓	✓
1968	✓	✓	✓
1969	S	R	R
1970	✗	R	✗
1971	✗	✗	✓
1972	✓	✗	✓