# **Restored Post Offices in Cairo and Aswan**

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Egypt's Postal Authority embarked on a vision to restore and renovate historic post office buildings in Egypt. The innovation vision modernises the post office buildings with latest technological systems and solutions at the same time preserving their original architectural designs. This one-page exhibit covers two such restorations.

## **Restored Cairo's Main Post Office**

Cairo's main post office, located in Ataba, is more than 150 years old. The historic heritage building was modernised in 2022 preserving its architectural heritage and Egyptian identity.

The renovated Cairo main post office has an area of 1220 square meters. The building is equipped with the latest technological systems and solutions to provide financial, postal, government and digital services to citizens through 32 customer service counters.





Bright and spacious service corridor

Egypt Post commemorated the restoration of the historic Cairo main post office with the issue of Two 10 Egyptian Pounds Se-tenant stamps, First Day Covers and Post Cards in January 2023.

First Day Cover with Se-tenant Stamps W 16 cm x H 10.5 cm



#### Cairo and Aswan in the map



**Post Cards** W 16 cm x H 10.5 cm

## **Restored Aswan Post Office**

Aswan is a heritage city in southern Egypt located on the bank of Nile River.

In 2022, Aswan's historic post office was modernised preserving the heritage values.

Egypt Post received the certificate after the Aswan post office and building passed several assessments on reducing carbon emissions mid-design and postimplementation. The restored building achieved 33% energy savings, 25% water savings, and 52% less embodied energy in materials.



Commemorative Stamp W 5 cm x H 6 cm

In July 2022, Egypt Postal Authority commemorated the restoration of the Aswan post office. The authority issued 10 Egyptian Pounds Stamps, First Day Covers and Post Cards showcasing the beautiful, restored building.