



**Press Release**

**INDIA GOVT. MINT, MUMBAI LAUNCHES GOLD CERTIFIED REFERENCE MATERIAL**

India Government Mint, Mumbai, a unit of SPMCIL (Security Printing Minting Corporation of India Ltd.) wholly owned entity of Ministry of Finance, Government of India, is one of the oldest Mints of the world having a glorious heritage for almost 200 years.

Considering its impeccable record in service sector of Gold Refining & Assaying, National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) has awarded IGM Mumbai with an accreditation for manufacturing Gold Certified Reference Material (CRM) of fineness 999.9 PPT under ISO: 17034:2016 -REFERENCE MATERIAL PRODUCER.

Earlier, IGM Mumbai has developed Bhartiya Nirdeshak Dravya (BND- 4201), an indigenous and first of its kind high purity 999.9 PPT Certified Reference Materials (CRM) for Gold. BND-4201 is a classic example of "Make in India program", which was accomplished by collaboration among IGM, BARC-NCCCM, Hyderabad and CSIR-National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi.

Now, in India, after Government decision for mandatory hallmarking (HUID) of carat gold jewellery through BIS, this gold CRM developed by IGM Mumbai, can be used for measuring the purity of gold by Assay and Hallmarking centres (A & HC) which are operating at more than 1500 locations in India. Besides, BIS licensed Gold Refinery can be used for testing their Bullion products of fineness 995.0 PPT and 999.0 PPT.

Recently, IGM Mumbai has also developed second batch of Gold Certified Reference Material of fineness 999.9 PPT. This CRM can be used for testing of Gold by fire assay method to ascertain the Gold content in carat Gold and standard Gold bars.

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