



BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS

Expression of Interest for Setting up Gold Assaying & Hallmarking Centres under the Central Assistance Scheme

1. Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) invites applications from Central/State Government PSUs/Laboratories of repute in Public/Private sector/private entrepreneurs and other interested parties, eliciting ‘**Expression of Interest**’ for ‘**Setting up of Gold Assaying and Hallmarking Centres**’ during 2013-14 and obtaining Central Assistance. The Assaying & Hallmarking Centre shall be set up in any location in India where no such Centre (assisted or otherwise) exists.
2. **Under the scheme entrepreneurs will be given one time financial assistance, the rates of which are given below:**

Area	Earlier	Revised Rate	
		Private	PSU
Normal	15%	30%	50%
NE/SCS/RA	30%	50%	75%

NE – North East States, SCS - Special Category States, RA – Rural Areas

(Municipal Acts concerned will be the basis for definition and identification of rural areas)

3. The applicant who first sets up a Centre at any location complying with the **Terms and Conditions** and obtains recognition by BIS will be eligible for the financial assistance. All other Centres, even if they do not get the financial assistance, will be entitled to recognition by BIS as Assaying & Hallmarking Centre, if found fulfilling the prescribed requirements.
4. A Centre, selected for central assistance, shall be required to operate as BIS Recognized Assaying and Hallmarking Centre under BIS Hallmarking Scheme for Gold Jewellery. For details of **BIS Hallmarking Scheme** and information on already existing **Assaying & Hallmarking Centres** in the country, please visit our BIS Website: www.bis.org.in .
5. The applicant centre or its promoters shall not be related to Gold Jewellery trade (manufacturing/wholesale/ retailing).
6. Applications shall be made on the “**Application Form for Expression of Interest for setting up Gold Assaying/Hallmarking Centre under the Central Assistance Scheme**” available on BIS website. The applicable **Terms and Conditions** are also available on BIS website.
7. Applications shall be accompanied with an Application-cum-Processing Fee of Rs 1000/- (Rupees One Thousand) plus Service Tax, as applicable. The payment shall be made in the form of Demand Draft drawn in favour of “Bureau of Indian Standards” payable at New Delhi. Applications incomplete in any respect will be summarily rejected.
8. The application form duly filled in and marked ‘**Expression of Interest for Setting up of Gold Assaying & Hallmarking Centres**’ on a duly sealed envelope shall be submitted at the following address:

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