

PRESENTING THE *WHITE PAPER*

BY

BHARAT JEWELLERY EXPORT AND DOMESTIC COUNCIL (BJED COUNCIL) FOR ELECTION AACHAR SANHITA

JEWELLERS ACROSS INDIA HAVE BEEN FACING PROBLEMS
BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES DURING
ENFORCEMENT OF AACHAR SANHITA (MODEL CODE OF
CONDUCT) FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS!

THIS WHITE PAPER IS DRAFTED WITH THE PROPOSITION OF
CREATING AND THEN IMPLEMENTING A STANDARD
OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR JEWELLERS DURING
AACHAR SANHITA AND SAFEGUARDING THEIR INTERESTS
AND ALLOWING THEM TO EARN AN HONEST LIVELIHOOD

VARIOUS INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS HAVE BEEN CONSULTED
BEFORE DRAFTING THIS WHITEPAPER. THIS WHITEPAPER IS
SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS, RECTIFICATIONS, CHANGES,
AMENDMENTS AND ADDITIONS IN THE FUTURE

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OBJECTIVES OF THE WHITE PAPER INITIATIVE

- 1. TO INITIATE AND ACTIVELY ENGAGE IN A RESPECTFUL DIALOGUE WITH COMPETENT AUTHORITIES REGARDING THE GENUINE PROBLEMS FACED BY THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR DURING AACHAR SANHITA**
- 2. TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE AND CONTRIBUTE IN THE DRAFTING AND INTRODUCTION OF REGULATIONS, GUIDELINES, AND SOPs FOR THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR WHICH SHALL BE A PART OF THE COMPENDIUM OF INSTRUCTIONS OF THE AACHAR SANHITA**
- 3. TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVE OF 'ONE NATION - ONE SOP' FOR THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR DURING ENFORCEMENT OF AACHAR SANHITA**
- 4. TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OF HARASSMENT AND CORRUPTION FACED BY JEWELLERS DURING AACHAR SANHITA AND STRIVE TO ACHIEVE PERMANENT SOLUTIONS**
- 5. TO SAFEGUARD THE INTEREST OF THE JEWELLERS (WHO TOO ARE INDIAN CITIZENS) DURING AACHAR SANHITA, AND STRIVE TO ELIMINATE THE 'MIND SET OF FEAR' AND 'ENVIRONMENT OF TERROR' WHICH IS ORCHESTRATED BY A HANDFUL OF OFFICIALS, IN THE NAME OF AACHAR SANHITA**
- 6. STRIVE TO CREATE A SITUATION WHERE JEWELLERS CAN CONTINUE WITH THEIR GENUINE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES WITHOUT ANY HASSLES, HARASSMENT OR CORRUPTION DURING AACHAR SANHITA, AND NOT BE DEPRIVED OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO EARN AN HONEST LIVELIHOOD IN THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF INDIA!**

THE BITTER TRUTH

1. NO STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) HAS BEEN DEVISED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION FOR THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR DURING THE ENFORCEMENT OF AACHAR SANHITA (MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT) FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS!

2. IT IS VERY UNFAIR AND UNJUST OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION TO ALLOW HARASSMENT OF JEWELLERS BY VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES BY GIVING THEM THE POWER TO SEIZE THEIR HIGH VALUE SHIPMENTS AND STOCK IN TRADE, RAID THEIR PREMISES AND ENGAGE IN UNNECESSARY LEGAL PROCEDURE, ALL IN THE NAME OF 'SUSPICION', WHEREAS NO ACTION OF ANY KIND IS TAKEN AGAINST ANY IAS, IRS, IPS OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, ONLY IN THE NAME OF 'SUSPICION', DURING THE ENFORCEMENT OF AACHAR SANHITA

3. VARIOUS JEWELLERS HAVE TO KNOWINGLY SLOW DOWN OR EVEN SHUT DOWN THEIR GENUINE BUSINESS OPERATIONS DURING THE ENFORCEMENT OF AACHAR SANHITA BECAUSE OF THE SAID HARASSMENT AND THE PROBLEMS ARISING AFTERWARDS. KNOWINGLY CREATING A SITUATION WHICH DEPRIVES INDIAN CITIZENS OF THE BASIC OPPORTUNITY TO EARN AN HONEST LIVELIHOOD IS NOT ONLY INHUMANE BUT ALSO UNCONSTITUTIONAL! THIS IS A FAILURE OF DEMOCRACY!!!

**PRESENTING THE
PROPOSED
STANDARD
OPERATING
PROCEDURES
(SOPs)
FOR INCLUSION IN
THE
COMPENDIUM OF
INSTRUCTIONS**

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS (INTRA-STATE MOVEMENTS)

- 1. NO DOCUMENTATIONS NEEDED FOR MOVEMENT OF PURE GOLD UP TO 500 GRAMS BY JEWELLERS AND NON-JEWELLERS. SIMILAR CONDITION FOR MOVEMENT OF PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF, OF EQUIVALENT MARKET VALUE**
- 2. FOR MOVEMENT ABOVE 500 GRAMS (AND OF EQUIVALENT MARKET VALUE FOR OTHER PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF) NO ON-PREMISES VERIFICATION OR REQUIREMENT OF ANY KIND OF SUBMISSIONS FOR ANY KIND OF VERIFICATIONS, IF THE MOVEMENT OF PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF, ARE ACCOMPANIED BY INVOICE, TAX INVOICE, ISSUE/RECEIPT VOUCHER, ON-APPROVAL VOUCHER, WHETHER IN THE FORM OF SELF GENERATED DOCUMENT OR IN THE FORM OF E-INVOICE. STRICTLY NO SEIZURE, CONFISCATION OR STOPPAGE. THIS IS APPLICABLE TO ONLY MEMBERS OF THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR AND THE ALLIED SECTORS**
- 3. FREE MOVEMENT OF CASH UP TO RS. 10 LAKHS FOR JEWELLERS AND NON-JEWELLERS. STRICTLY NO ACTION IF ANY AMOUNT OF CASH IS BEING TAKEN TO BANKS OR ATMs FOR BEING DEPOSITED**
- 4. NO RESTRICTIONS OR SOPs OF ANY KIND SHOULD BE IMPOSED WHICH ARE GENDER BIASED, FOR JEWELLERS AND NON-JEWELLERS**

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS (INTER STATE MOVEMENTS)

1. NO DOCUMENTATIONS NEEDED FOR MOVEMENT OF PURE GOLD UP TO 500 GRAMS BY JEWELLERS AND NON-JEWELLERS. SIMILAR CONDITION FOR MOVEMENT OF PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF, OF EQUIVALENT MARKET VALUE
2. ONLY USE OF REGISTERED LOGISTICS COMPANIES AND ANGADIAS FOR MOVEMENT ABOVE 500 GRAMS (AND OF EQUIVALENT MARKET VALUE FOR OTHER PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF) NO ON-PREMISES VERIFICATION OR REQUIREMENT OF ANY KIND OF SUBMISSIONS FOR ANY KIND OF VERIFICATIONS, IF THE MOVEMENT OF PRECIOUS METALS AND GEMSTONES AND PRODUCTS MADE THEREOF, ARE ACCOMPANIED BY INVOICE, TAX INVOICE, ISSUE/RECEIPT VOUCHER, ON-APPROVAL VOUCHER, WHETHER IN THE FORM OF SELF GENERATED DOCUMENT OR IN THE FORM OF E-INVOICE. STRICTLY NO SEIZURE, CONFISCATION OR STOPPAGE. THIS IS APPLICABLE TO ONLY MEMBERS OF THE GEMS AND JEWELLERY SECTOR AND THE ALLIED SECTORS
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SOP RECOMMENDATIONS

(LOGISTICS AND ANGADIA COMPANIES)

- 1. ONLY HIGH VALUE SHIPMENTS ACCOMPANIED BY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO BE CARRIED OR TRANSPORTED**
- 2. NO STOPPAGE OF VEHICLES AND PERSONNEL AT ANY REMOTE OR UNSECURE LOCATIONS, ESPECIALLY AFTER SUNSET AND BEFORE SUNRISE**
- 3. ANY KIND OF STOPPAGE SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY DOCUMENTED AND A COPY OF THE SAME SHOULD BE HANDED OVER TO THE LOGISTICS OR ANGADIA COMPANIES**
- 4. IN ANY CASE OF STOPPAGE OR VERIFICATION, THE CONCERNED OFFICIALS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS SHOULD PERSONALLY AND DIRECTLY BE HELD LIABLE AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOSS, THEFT, DAMAGE, ROBBERY ETC. OF HIGH VALUE SHIPMENTS**
- 5. STRICTLY NO SEIZURE OR CONFISCATION OF HIGH VALUE SHIPMENTS IF ANY DOCUMENTS OF THE VEHICLES CARRYING THE SAME ARE NOT IN ORDER. IF VEHICLES ARE FOUND OF ANY GENUINE RTO AND MOTOR VEHICLES ACT VIOLATION, THEN THE VEHICLES CARRYING HIGH VALUE SHIPMENTS SHOULD BE LET OFF WITH FINE OR AN E-CHALLAN**
- 6. INCLUSION OF SOPs RELATED TO INTER-STATE AND INTRA STATE MOVEMENT TO BE INCLUDED, AS PRESENTED EARLIER**
- 7. INCLUSION OF ALL SOPs PRESENTED BEFORE AND AFTER**

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS

(ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICIALS, ON-ELECTION DUTY OFFICIALS, AND ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS)

- 1. IMMEDIATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION IF ANY ELECTION COMMISSION OFFICIAL, ON-ELECTION DUTY OFFICIAL, OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL IS FOUND IN VIOLATION OF THE COMPENDIUM OF INSTRUCTIONS OR SOPs**
- 2. ORDERING NEUTRAL AGENCY INQUIRY AND INVESTIGATION OF THE IMMEDIATE CONCERNED OFFICIALS WHO ARE TWO RANKS ABOVE AND TWO RANKS BELOW THE OFFICER(S) AGAINST WHOM THE COMPLAINT IS FILED OR ARREST IS MADE. THIS SHOULD BE DONE IN ORDER TO PREVENT OR CATCH ANY KIND OF SYNDICATE BEING DEVELOPED BY ANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS DURING AACHAR SANHITA**
- 3. STRICT REGULATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TOO FOR MAINTAINING THE SANCTITY, MORALITY AND CREDIBILITY OF THE AACHAR SANHITA AND DEMOCRACY**

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS (RECOGNITION OF HOT SPOTS)

IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO ATTENTION THAT CERTAIN OFFICIALS (WHETHER ON-ELECTION DUTY OR NOT), INTENTIONALLY STATION THEMSELVES AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS, STREETS, ROADS AND INTERSECTIONS WHERE JEWELLERS COMMUTE TO-FRO DURING BUSINESS HOURS

THE INTENTION IS SAID TO BE STOPPAGE WITH AN INTENT OF ENGAGING IN HARASSMENT WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY LEAD TO CORRUPTION. SINCE JEWELLERS ARE BEING TARGETED IN THE NAME OF AACHAR SANHITA, THE 'HOT SPOTS' IN AND AROUND MARKET AREAS SHOULD BE RECOGNISED ACROSS THE COUNTRY AND SPECIAL FORCE SHOULD BE DEPLOYED FOR THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF JEWELLERS DURING AACHAR SANHITA

STRICT LEGAL ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST ANY OFFICIALS (WHETHER ON-ELECTION DUTY OR NOT), WHEN THEY ARE FOUND ENGAGING IN SUCH CORRUPT PRACTICES AND THAT TOO IN THE NAME OF 'MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT'!

IT IS HIGHLY UNPATRIOTIC WHEN AN ENVIRONMENT OF FEAR IS CREATED AMONG JEWELLERS AND INDIAN CITIZENS IN THE NAME OF AACHAR SANHITA. SUCH KIND OF CONDUCT BY OFFICIALS IS A DIRECT INSULT TO OUR FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES TO GIVE US THIS DEMOCRACY AND REPUBLIC THAT WE NOW LIVE IN

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS

(PURVIEW OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION)

IT IS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE AND PURVIEW OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION TO CHECK OR ORDER TO CHECK OR PERMIT TO CHECK OR TRANSFER INFORMATION TO CHECK IF THE BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS OF JEWELLERS ARE IN ORDER OR IF THE JEWELLER IS MAKING SALE BY GENERATING INVOICES, OR IF THE STOCK IN TRADE IS AS PER THE STOCK STATEMENT

THEREFORE, ANY KIND OF SUMMONS, VERIFICATION, SURVEY, RAID, SEIZURE, CONFISCATION ETC. MADE AGAINST ANY JEWELLER BY ANY OFFICIALS, IN THE NAME OF AACHAR SANHITA OR 'SUSPICION', EVEN AFTER IT IS PREVIOUSLY VERIFIED THAT ALL SOPs ARE FOLLOWED BY THE SAID JEWELLER, WILL BE DEEMED TO BE ILLEGAL AND THE CONCERNED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENTS SHOULD BE LIABLE TO PAY COMPENSATION AND RETURN ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS, ITEMS, DEVICES, DATA, MATTER, STATEMENTS ETC. EITHER SEIZED OR CONFISCATED OR RECORDED, AND REFUND ANY AND ALL TAXES AND PENALTIES LEVIED OR COLLECTED, ALONG WITH INTEREST

SOP RECOMMENDATIONS **(AWARENESS AND SENSITIZATION)**

EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL SHOULD BE PUBLISHED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION AND THAT TOO IN ENGLISH AND DIFFERENT INDIAN REGIONAL LANGUAGES (THE LANGUAGES MENTIONED ON THE INDIAN RUPEES CURRENCY NOTES MAY BE CONSIDERED AS A REFERENCE POINT FOR THE TIME BEING) FOR SPREADING AWARENESS ABOUT THE ELECTIONS, MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT, COMPENDIUM OF INSTRUCTIONS, GUIDELINES AND SOPs. JEWELLERS AND OFFICIALS (WHETHER ON-ELECTION DUTY OR NOT) SHOULD BE SENSITIZED ABOUT THE SAME

PRESENTING THE REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY DIFFERENT LOGISTICS COMPANIES

SAMPLE LETTER OF REPRESENTATION BY ABC COMPANY



Date: 29/06/2023

Dear Sir,

We hereby appoint Amish Group - MANIRATHNAM as the Official Hybrid Events Partner and Digital Magazine Partner of the YMG20 Event being organized in Rajkot, Gujarat in June 2023

Thanks and Regards


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**PRESENTING THE
LETTERS OF
SUPPORT AND
BLESSINGS BY
DIFFERENT
TRADE
ASSOCIATIONS
TO
BJED COUCIL**

SAMPLE LETTER OF SUPPORT AND BLESSINGS BY XYZ ASSOCIATION



YOUTH20 SECRETARIAT



August 4, 2023

To,
Mr. Amish Badani
Amish Group, India

Dear Shri Amish Badani ji,

I am glad to hear that you are publishing a Digital Magazine for the Yuvamanthan Model G20 (YMG20) Event which was organised in Rajkot on 24 June, 2023. I would like to commend that you have decided to waive off any charges for curating and launching the Digital Magazine for the Event, with the intent to encourage the Youth of India to participate in the Nation Building Process. I would also like to thank and congratulate the Organisers of the Rajkot Event and most importantly, I would like to highly commend the Students of Rajkot who participated in this Event which led to its successful completion. You all are the Future of India and we are very proud of you!

Warm Regards,

Anmol Sovit

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Chair, Y20 India