Dear Member,

You are requested to note that, as per the provisions of the Council's membership, the renewal of membership with the Council for the year 2014-15 is due on or before 30th April, 2014.

To enable the members to submit their membership application for the year 2014-15 through the Memo & Articles of Association, your financial year 2014-15 is due for renewal.

Similar to previous years, the online software on the Council’s website www.giepc.org will be used for the submission of membership application. The details of the membership fees for the year 2014-15, effective from 1st April 2014, and the guidelines for membership renewal are provided in Annexure-2.

The procedure for submitting the membership application is at ANNEXURE-2. Also, a User Manual with instructions for uploading online applications is available on the Council’s website.

Ref: GJCE/LOR/RNR/2013-14/4
To: All members/Ordinary Members of the Council

The procedure for payment of membership fees remains the same as followed in previous years i.e. fees to be paid in the bank indicated on the challan which will be available on the website through your dashboard. The existing members of the Council can use their username and password provided earlier to login in the Member Section on www.giepc.org.

It may be noted that the membership will be issued only after the payment is cleared in the bank and NOT ON THE BASIS OF DATE OF CHALLAN for payment.

In case any member requires membership certificate urgently, then they should make payment of membership subscription by demand draft or pay order in the favour of The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council at the concerned branch.

Members are further requested to renew their memberships on or before 30th April, 2014 to continue to avail the concessions in KP processing and the extended facilities by the Council to its members.

The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council
Head Office: The Park, 3rd Floor, E3 Block, Bharat Diamond Bourse, Bandra-Kurla Complex, Bandra (East) Mumbai - 400 051
Tel.: 91-22-2654 4600
Fax: 91-22-2652 4764
Email: gjepc@vsnl.com / ho@gjepcindia.com / Website: http://www.gjepc.org
“Ordinary Members” may please note that in order to contest for the elections in the Committee of Administration (CoA) and/or participate as a bonafide voter in the elections to CoA you need to renew your membership on or before 30th April 2014 and also update/verify the name of the Authorized Signatory given in membership records of GJEPC as ONLY the authorized signatory is eligible to participate in the election process.

In accordance to the decision of the CoA in its Eleventh meeting held on 26th March 2014, please note that a separate category has been added for “Silver Jewellery” for the membership registration in GJEPC w.e.f. 1st April 2014, as Silver Jewellery will have a separate representation in the CoA of the Council in the elections to be held in the year 2014.

As such, the existing members representing the Other Precious Metal Jewellery panel may exercise their discretion and amend their Panel representation, if dealing in Silver Jewellery exports. The Export declaration part in payment challan has also been modified accordingly in order to capture the data of export of Silver Jewellery in the preceding years.

Members are requested to note that from the FY 2014-15, the Council has decided to issue Photo Identity Cards to all its members (Ordinary & Associate). A separate circular containing further detail on this will be sent to the members in due course. Further please note that the Council will be making arrangements to provide digitally signed Membership Certificates to all its members which will be available to the members through their membership dashboard after issuance of the same by GJEPC.

For queries if any, please feel free to contact the Membership department of the Council on 044-28155180 or by e-mail at chennai@gjepcindia.com.

Thanking you,

For and on behalf of
The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council

SABYASACHI RAY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Encl: As above
ANNEXURE - 1

Membership Fees for the FY 2014-15.

1. Membership fee: Membership fees for the year 2014-15 is payable according to the export performance of the entity during 2013-14, along with a self-declaration of imports & exports as shown in the challan.

2. Service Tax: As per the Notification No. 16/2009-ST dated 7.7.2009 service tax @12.36% is applicable on the membership fee as well as admission fee.

3. Following subscription is payable by you for renewal of your Associate Membership/Ordinary Membership for the year 2014-15:

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<th>Export Performance of Gem &amp; Jewellery during the year 2013-14</th>
<th>Membership fee for 2014-15</th>
<th>Service Tax @12.36%</th>
<th>Total Fees Payable</th>
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Admission fee payable in case of new membership / late renewal is Rs 5,000+ Service Tax.

4. Outstanding payment: Keeping in line with decision of CoA taken in its duly convened meetings it may be further noted that any and all outstanding payment(s) from a member towards the Council, in the immediate preceding year will be seriously viewed while renewing the membership of the concerned entity for the financial year 2014-15, unless justified to the satisfaction of the Council.

In this context, please be informed that payments towards the Council shall be deemed to be outstanding, if the same is due and payable to the Council and is outstanding for more than 3 (three) months from the date of Invoice raised by the Council and the Council’s decision in this behalf shall be deemed to be final, if no discrepancy/dispute with respect to the such invoiced amount was brought to the Council’ notice within 30
Companies: It is very imperative for the Members to note that it will be
renewal membership for each of its entities under its group companies, rail-
ning membership shall be deemed to be valid for only that particular entity which
related membership and whose name reflects on the membership renewal form
and receipted challan. For the avoidance of doubt, the relevant facilities of the
railway will be extended only to those members whose name reflects on the
Renewal Form, receipted challan, Membership Certificate and the
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sat each entity under a group should renew its members pursuant to the
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6. Non-renewal of Renewal application: In the absence of renewal of membership,
NOT be permitted to enjoy various privileges offered by the Council
pursuant
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pursuant to Article 11.1 & 11.2 of Memorandum & Articles of Association and such
facilities open for participation to the Council Members as under:
An event/exhibitions in India/abroad;
Participation in Delegations;
Participation in Buyer Seller Meets;
Presentation of Solitaire International, Ideal Cut &
Seminars & Workshops;
Visa application letter for visa;
Entitlements for participating in foreign Export Promotion Tours,
Displaying of branded jewellery abroad etc.
GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. CLA ES OF MEMORANDUM & ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION REGARDING
MEMBERS RULES
2. CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS, ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP
3.1 Classification of members of the Council
The Council shall have the following categories of members,
(a) As members:
(b) Ordinary members:
(c) Firms members:
3.2 Membership of Firms Members
Firms Members of the Council shall consist of firms engaged in the business of
import-export, which, the
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3.3 Membership of Firms Members
In order to be eligible for ordinary membership of the Council,
must satisfy the
requirements, namely:

3.4 Membership of Firms Members
Firms Members of the Council may be eligible for admission to the Council as an Associate Member, if
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(a) He, or the entity represented by him, must have been an Associate Member of the Council for at least three years.
(b) He, or the entity represented by him, must have, to his or its credit, during the three financial years immediately preceding,
(c) Average exports in respect of the product, of not less than the amount mentioned below:
   (i) Small scale industries  Rs. 10 lakhs
   (ii) Others  Rs. 25 lakhs

8. DISQUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL

8.1 Disqualification
A person shall be disqualified for being, or for continuing, as a member of the Council if
a. he is found to be of unsound mind by a competent court;
b. he applies to be adjudicated as, or is adjudicated as, an insolvent;
c. he is convicted by a court of an offence involving moral turpitude and is sentenced, an such conviction, to imprisonment for not less than six months;
d. he, or any firm in which he is a partner, or any private company of which he is a Director, commits a violation of section 295 or section 299 of the Act;
e. he, becomes disqualified by an order of the court under section 203 of the Act;
f. he ceases to be a member of the entity which he represents or such entity ceases to be a member of the Council; or
   g. his name is removed from the register of members under article 8.2

8.2 Removal by the Committee
The Committee may, after giving a member reasonable opportunity of hearing, remove the name of that member from the Register of Members, either for a specified period or indefinitely:
   • if he has violated any condition for membership or
   • if he has been in arrears in regard to the payment of membership fee or of any other amounts due from him to the Council for more than six months; or
   • if he has been guilty of disorderly conduct at meetings of the Council or of the Committee; or
   • if he has otherwise been guilty of conduct in becoming of a member; or
   • if he has become disqualified under article 8.1

8.3 Conversion into Associate membership
The Committee may, after giving a member reasonable opportunity of hearing, convert the membership of an Ordinary Member into an Associate Membership, if his performance as an exporter of the product has, during the financial year immediately preceding been below the average mentioned in clause (b) of article 3.2.

11 PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS

11.1 Ordinary Members
Without prejudice to any other rights conferred on Ordinary Members by the Memorandum of Association of the Council, but subject to the other provisions of these articles, Ordinary Members shall have the following rights and privileges, namely:
(a) right to stand as a candidate, and to vote at the election of the members of the Committee and the right to vote on all matters brought before a meeting of the Council, provided there are no arrears of subscription of other dues or charges payable by them to the Council on 1st April in the year of voting;
(b) right to requisition a meeting, as provided in these articles;
(c) right to receive the annual reports of the Committee, on payment of the prescribed fee;
(d) right to receive publication of the Council, on the prescribed conditions; and
(e) right to use all such facilities as may be made available to such members by the Council from time to time, on the prescribed conditions.

11.2 Associate Members
Without prejudice to any other rights conferred an Associate Members by the Memorandum of Association, of the Council, such members shall have the following rights and privileges namely;

(a) right to receive the annual report of the Committee, on payment of the prescribed fee;
(b) right to receive publications of the Council, on the prescribed conditions;
(c) right to use all such facilities* as may be made available from time to time, on the prescribed conditions.

* Facilities such as
   i) Any event/exhibitions in India/abroad,
   ii) Delegations,
   iii) Buyer Seller Meets,
   iv) Annual Awards
   v) Receipt of Solitaire International, Ideal Cut & Circulars
   vi) Attending Seminars & Workshops
   vii) Recommendation letter for visa
   viii) Permissions for Hand carry for foreign exhibitions etc.

11.3 Nominated and Co-opted Members
A nominated or co-opted member shall have no right to vote

13. SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGES.
13.1 Non-payment of subscription.
If a member (Ordinary or Associate) fails to pay his annual subscription by the 30th April of the year for which it has become due, then
(a) he shall not be entitled to exercise any right or privilege as such member and
(b) the committee may suspend his membership, which suspension shall remain operative until he pays the arrears and the Committee accepts in writing such arrears and restores his membership after revoking his suspension

End.
ANNEXURE - 2 (Chennai)

Procedure for remittance of Membership Fee for renewal

Members are requested to follow the guidelines given below carefully in their own interest and in case of any difficulty you may contact the Council immediately.

1. The payment challan duly stamped and receipted by the Bank at the address mentioned on the Challan may be submitted to the Council office.

2. Members located in Chennai are required to make the payment at the following branch of Corporation Bank only.
   Corporation Bank, 41, Venkatanarayana Road, T.Nagar Branch, Chennai – 600 017.

3. The membership will be issued only after the payment is credited to the bank account of the Council and NOT ON THE BASIS OF DATE OF CHALLAN for Cheque/DD/PO deposited in bank.

4. If the Cheque is dishonored or returned by bank then the membership will be invalid with immediate effect.

5. In case any member requires membership certificate urgently they should make the payment of membership subscription by demand draft or pay order in favor of The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council in the concerned bank. (Please write your company’s name and contact no on back side of the DD/Pay Order).

6. The challan can be printed from the website in triplicate, and should be submitted along with the membership fees at the Corporation Bank as mentioned in point 3 above.

7. The copy received from the BANK after payment can also be sent by e-mail to Council. However kindly mention the Membership Number in the subject line for ready reference.

8. Members are requested to keep one photocopy of the Challan for their own record.

9. Payment Challan must be completed fully without leaving any blanks.

10. Declaration of exports/imports incorporated in the body of the challan itself should be signed by the proprietor/partner/director as the case may be, under the stamp of the firm and submitted without fail. Every such self declaration shall be construed to be true & valid by the Council and thus relied upon for dissemination under an order of the Govt. authority or like body. The Members explicitly agrees to indemnify and keep the Council indemnified, safe and harmless from and against any and all third party claims arising out of such dissemination of the declaration or
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