

**DATES FOR THE 10<sup>TH</sup> EDITION OF SIGNATURE IIJS FINALIZED, 6<sup>TH</sup> TO 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017 AT THE BOMBAY EXHIBITION CENTRE**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> EDITION OF IGJME TO EXHIBIT THE LATEST IN G&J TECHNOLOGY AT THE SAME TIME**

- ***Premiere jewellery and G&J technology shows to jumpstart the new buying season***
- ***Business hours extended on first three days of the Show till 8 pm***
- ***Phase 1 of Visitor Registration extended up to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017***
- ***All booths in IGJME relocated to Hall No. 1 with new Entry & Exit***

**Mumbai, 28<sup>th</sup> December 2016:** The 10<sup>th</sup> edition of Signature IIJS 2017 is all set to unveil the most coveted premium jewellery and kick-start the new buying season from 6<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – 9<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) February, 2017 at Bombay Exhibition Centre, Goregaon. The 4<sup>th</sup> edition of India Gem & Jewellery Machinery Expo (IGJME) – one of the leading gem and jewellery (G&J) technology fairs - will be held in conjunction with SIGNATURE IIJS on the same dates and at the same venue.

Due to the preponement of the presentation of the Government's Union Budget and the prevailing socio-economic market conditions, the National Exhibition Sub Committee of the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) has decided to reschedule the show date/ timings and informed the exhibitors the new dates i.e. 6<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> February 2017. However such change of dates and reduction of duration of the show from 4 to 3 days, was discussed through representations by exhibitors from Mumbai and Jaipur, expressing their discontent for curtailment of days of the event and change of dates of Signature IIJS 2017.

After further deliberations with exhibitors at Mumbai and Jaipur, the following has been decided by the Council with regards to organization of Signature IIJS, 2017:

**1. Signature IIJS Show Dates & Timings (6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2017) for VISITORS:**

<b>6th February, 2017</b>	–	<b>Visitor's time</b>	<b>1.00 pm to 8.00 pm</b>
7th -8th February, 2017	–	Visitor's time	10.00 am to 8.00 pm
9th February, 2017	–	Visitor's Time	10.00 am to 6.00 pm

**2. Signature IIJS Show Dates & Timings (6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2017) for EXHIBITORS:**

<b>6th February, 2017</b>	–	<b>Exhibitor's time</b>	<b>6.00 am to 9.00 pm</b>
7th -8th February, 2017	–	Exhibitor's time	8.00 am to 9.00 pm
9th February, 2017	–	Exhibitor's Time	8.00 am to 9.00 pm

All the booths of **IGJME** are being re-located to a new location in **Hall No. 1** with new Entry and Exit separate from IIJS Signature.

As a concession to visitors impacted by the recent demonetization scenario, ***Phase 1 of Visitor Registration has been extended up to 31st January 2017*** (Phase II of Visitor registration has been withdrawn). The charges for registration fees as per Phase III will be applicable from 1st February 2017.

Signature IJS show features well defined sections of Diamonds, Gemstones, Gold and studded Jewellery. The main highlight of the show is Signature Club, which showcases the most exquisite couture jewellery by the leading manufacturers of the Country. The event is poised to witness more than 550 exhibitors, 1000+ stalls and is expected to draw 13000 visitors from 455 + cities, towns, pan India and 55 + countries (9000 visitors pre-registered already).

Around 8142 visitors have already pre-registered for the show and GJEPC has done an extensive tele calling of all such visitors and almost all of them has confirmed to be visiting Signature IJS 2017. Throughout January the Council has lined up extensive roadshow & promotion campaign amongst retailers all over India to have the best possible visitor turnout ever at Signature IJS.

Buyer delegations from countries such as **UK, Iran, Russia, Uzbekistan, Turkey, Lebanon, China, Hong Kong, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh & Nepal** amongst others will be visiting the show. Technology & Educative Seminars are also being organised for the first two days of the show.

Signature IJS provides a perfect platform for the country's leading manufacturers and retailers to facilitate an exchange of market insights and knowledge, providing networking opportunities for business. In addition to that, an exclusive 'By Invitation Only' Networking Evening has been organised for exhibitors and buyers to further explore business opportunities and strengthen existing business ties.

For more details, logon to: [www.ijs-signature.org/www.gjepc.org/igjme](http://www.ijs-signature.org/www.gjepc.org/igjme)

### **About GJEPC**

The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) was set up by the Ministry of Commerce and industry, Government of India (GoI) in 1966. It was one of several Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) launched by the Indian Government, to boost the country's export thrust, when India's post-Independence economy began making forays in the international markets. Since 1998, the GJEPC has been granted autonomous status. The GJEPC is the apex body of the gems & jewellery industry and today it represents over 6,000 exporters in the sector. With headquarters in Mumbai, the GJEPC has Regional Offices in New Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai, Surat and Jaipur, all of which are major centres for the industry. It thus has a wide reach and is able to have a closer interaction with members to serve them in a direct and more meaningful manner. Over the past decades, the GJEPC has emerged as one of the most active EPCs, and has continuously strived to expand its reach and depth in its promotional activities as well as widen and increase services to its members.