## Bureau of Indian Standards Eastern Regional Laboratory

Reference: ERL/RAL/Hallmarking

Date: 01st Oct 2024

Subject: Temporary Suspension of acceptance of New Gold Hallmarking Samples at RAL of ERL

This is in reference to the testing of gold samples at the Regional Assaying Laboratory (RAL) of the Eastern Regional Laboratory (ERL).

It is submitted that the current monthly capacity of RAL is 440 samples. However, there are approximately 2,000 samples pending for testing, equivalent to a backlog of around five months.

In view of this, it is necessary to temporarily suspend the acceptance of new hallmarking samples until the existing backlog is processed and cleared.

All concerned Branch Offices (BOs) are requested to take this into consideration and temporarily stop sending hallmarking samples to ERL till further notice.

This is for the kind information of all concerned.

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