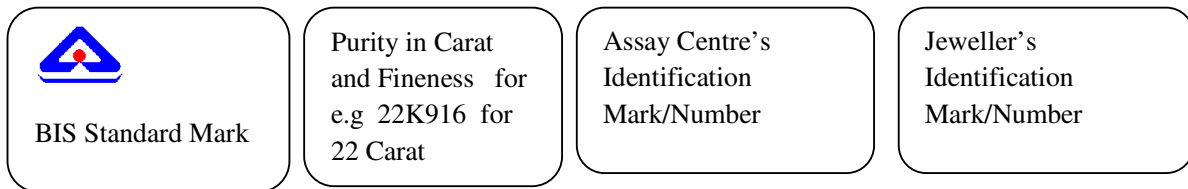


## **BIS RAIDS SPURIOUSLY HALLMARKED JEWELLERY**

A team of officials from Bureau of Indian Standards(BIS), Mumbai conducted an Enforcement Search and Seizure Operation at Zaveri Bazar, Mumbai on 06 Feb 2017 to check misuse of BIS Hallmark on jewellery. The enforcement raid was conducted and some quantities of Hallmarked Gold Jewellery was seized at the premises of Hallmark Pick-up Point,73/75,Sutariya Chambers ,Ground Floor, Office No. 13, Dhanji Street, Mumbai, which did not have BIS recognition for hallmarking of Gold Jewellery.

BIS recognition is mandatory for hallmarking of jewellery. Action is being initiated by BIS Mumbai against the offenders under Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 1986. The offence is punishable with imprisonment upto 1 year or a fine upto Rs. 50,000/- or both as per the BIS Act 1986.

It has been observed many times that consumers do not pay attention to marking details on hallmarked jewellery. Therefore, people should ascertain the genuineness of hallmarked jewellery by checking the following marks with a magnifying glass before purchase :-



General public is therefore requested that in case they come across any instance of misuse of hallmark on jewellery, the same may be informed to Hallmarking Co-ordinating Officer, Western Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Standards,E-9,MIDC,Behind Marol Telephone Exchange, Andheri(East),Mumbai 400093.Such complaints can also be made by email at the email address [hallmarkingwro@gmail.com](mailto:hallmarkingwro@gmail.com) or by Telephone to 022-28325838 Ext 245.The source of such information will be kept confidential.

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