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GJEPC, DEAL, BDB & GJEA JOIN HANDS WITH GEMMOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF INDIA

In the Annual Communications Session of the Gemmological Institute of India, it has been announced that the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC), Diamond Exporters' Association (DEAL), White Diamond Bourse (WDB) and Gem & Jewellery Exporters' Association (GJEA) have joined hands with the Gemmological Institute of India (GI) for setting up a research centre in Mumbai. It will carry out research & development activities specially for synthetic diamonds as well as High Pressure High Temperature (HPHT) treated diamonds. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed to this effect.

The Indian gem industry has grown beyond leaps and bounds in all directions. During the last 2 decades, diamonds, coloured stones and styled jewellery systems have shown a remarkable growth in the field of exports as well as in the domestic market.

However, along with growth, the industry is also facing challenges, especially concerning vital aspects such as

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All the successful Indian Gemmology Students & awardees Gemology Course details were printed with the 17112 issue.

Dr. Rajkumar Mehra, Chief Guest gave away the awards to the following meritorious students:

- Mr. Anandh Narayana, from Mysore, Andhra Pradesh received the Indian Gemology Award for the Best Student in Gemmology.
- Mr. Rajeev Kumar Choudhary from Mumbai received the Late Dr. Shrinagappa Chinnappa (Maha) Award for the Best All Rounder Student in Gemmology.
- Mr. Jyoti Chaturvedi, son from Mumbai received the Dr. T. S. Lakshminarayana Award for the Student of the year.
- Mr. Vinay Prasad, son from Mumbai received the Late Dr. Jayarambharathi Chinnappa Award for the Best Student in Jewellery Designing Course.
- Mr. Ajay Anil Kumar Gupta from Jabalpur, Guwahati received the P. K. Chinnappa Award for the Best Student in Gemology Designing.

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PROSPEROUS 2005**