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Prof. Dr. Edward Gubelin, 1913 - 2005

Prof. Dr. Edward Gubelin passed away in Lucerne, Switzerland on 15th March 2005 only a day before his 92nd Birthday.

Prof. Dr. Edward Gubelin 1913-2005, the small dash between the years represents a long fruitful life of 92 years, 92 years of dedicated, devoted and disciplined life, a life full of enthusiasm, joy and passion for gemmology.

Dr. Edward F. Gubelin was one of the pioneers in the international gemmological movement from its start in the 1930s. He was an internationally renowned Gemmologist, author and guide. He was the recipient of many acclaimed industry awards for his manifold accomplishments and writings. He is most famous for

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GIL SOON AT OPERA HOUSE

2005 is a golden year in the annals of the history of the growth of Gemmology in India. The century has already acquired prestige at 3rd and 5th Floor of 5th Nagar Building at Opera House for its expansion programme of the Laboratory services. The Laboratory will be bifurcated at the new premises in a short period of time. The Diamond Grading Laboratory will also be able to identify synthetic diamonds and HPHT treated diamonds.

After 33 years of organized study of gemmology in India, the stalwarts of the Indian Gem Industry have decided to come together for the promotion of a common cause, the establishment of a "National Research Center" for Diamonds and Gemstones in Mumbai. The open organization of the gem industry namely,

- The Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council
- Bharat Diamond Bourse
- Diamond Exporters Association Ltd.
- The Gem & Jewellery Exporters' Association

have signed a memorandum of understanding to join with the Gemmological Institute of India for the promotion of the science of gemstones in India. The Chairman of the Council, Mr. Bikal Mehta declared that the Gemmological Institute of India is yet another Project of the Council and stated that the Council along with other trade organizations has decided to set up a National Research Center under the aegis of Gemmological Institute of India, which is already a R & D Laboratory approved by the Government of India as a Scientific Industrial Research Organisation.

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DELEGATES AT THE INDIAN GEMMOLOGICAL SEMINAR IGS-6, KHAJURAHO, M.P.

COMPARATIVE STUDY OF GEM MINERALS, BERYL AND CORUNDUM FROM VARIOUS INDIAN OCCURRENCES

by Dr. Jayshree Parthasar



The book represents an in-depth study of inclusions of Corundum and Beryl from various Indian sources. It is one of the few of its kind books on inclusions of Indian Corundum and Beryl. The author has been IGI Research Staff at the Indian Gemstones &

Research University, Germany for her Doctoral thesis which she has brought out in the book form.

Inclusion have been a thrilling experience for many Gemmologists and Gem Teachers especially from the point of view of origin of gemstones.

The book contains 119 pages with over 12 pages of color photographs of inclusions with an exhaustive bibliography covering over 12 pages in addition to an elaborate index of inclusions as well as photos and suppliers from various parts of the world.

It is a wonderful manual book of well documented information on beryl and corundum available today. In short, it is an open pit mine of information for corundum and beryl.

Study of these inclusions also help one to relate the water sources of geological events, which had occurred deep inside the earth. Inclusions have been about well known and known to us by gemmologists in the Middle East. Along with the fascinating "Inclusions" the book also reveals some very old data and is a source of huge information as to what temperature, pressure, chemical environment was present at the time of formation of these gemstones. Book is priced Rs. 1,200/-