

# INDIA INTERNATIONAL BULLION EXCHANGE IFSC LTD.

**GATEWAY FOR BULLION IMPORTS INTO INDIA** 

## **Policy Timeline**

## Period of Restriction (1947-62) & Prohibition (1963-1989)

FERA introduced-1947
Minimum Reserve System
for Currency-1956
GoldBondScheme:1962
Gold Control Rules -1963
Gold (Control) Act -1968

1947 - 1962

1990 - 2012

#### **Intervention (2012-13)**

Duty hike to 10% from 2%
Import restrictions on May 13, 2013
Introduction of the "80:20 rule"
Ban on import of gold coins and its selling
LTV ratio reduced from 75% to 60%

2012 - 2015

#### **Liberalization**

Gold Control Act repealed in 1990

NRI Scheme, 1992 and Expansion of Special Import License

Seven Banks authorized to import gold in 1997

Gold import guidelines March 1998

Gold Loans to Exporters from Dec 1998

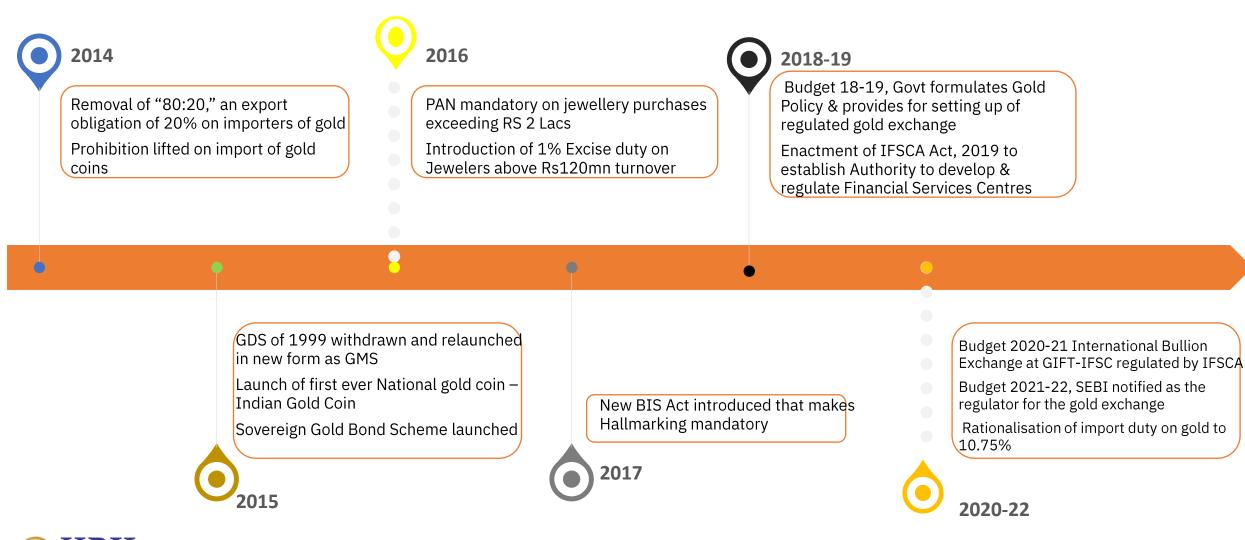
Gold deposit scheme- Sep 1999

Banks permitted to enter into Gold Forwards Oct 2002.

Gold Loans to Domestic Jewellery manufacturers Feb 2005



## Phase of Transpareny-2014 onwards





## **Evolution of IIBX**

#### **APRIL 2020**

Establishment of International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)

#### **MARCH 2021**

IIBX was established

#### **AUGUST 2021**

IFSCA chairperson launched the pilot run for the IIBX





#### **FEBRUARY 2020**

Finance Minister announced to set up an International Bullion Exchange at GIFT IFSC



#### **DECEMBER 2020**

IFSCA notifies International Finacial Services Centres Authority (Bullion Exchange) Regulations, 2020



#### **AUGUST 2021**

IFSCA issued Operational Framework



## **About IIBX**



#### **PROMOTED BY**













## **Objective**

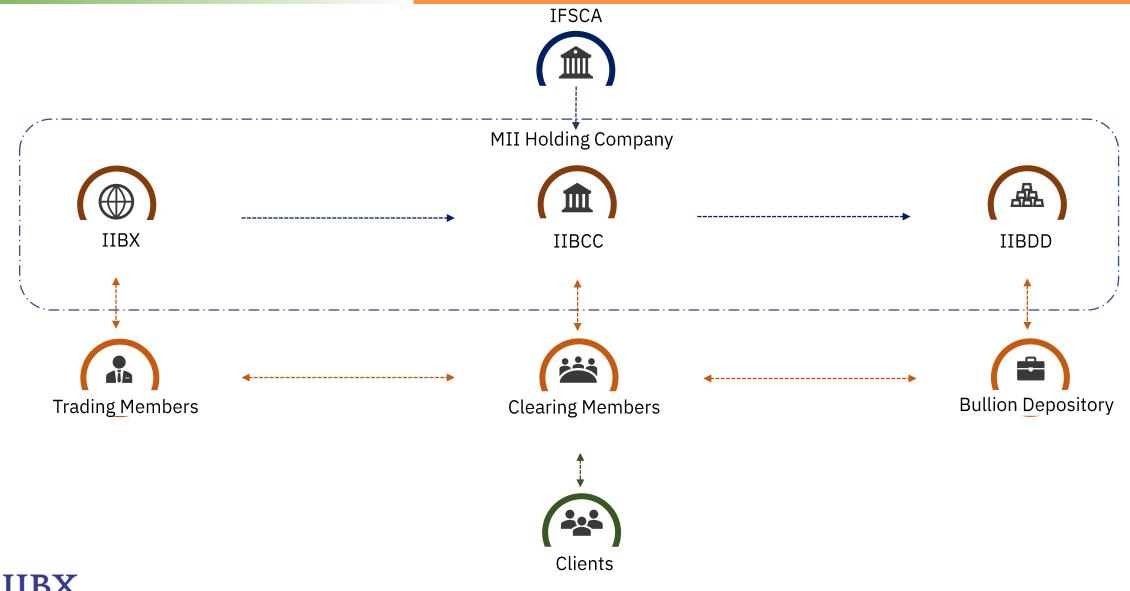








## **Building The Global Market Infrastructure**





## **Market Participants**





#### As a Member

- () IBU Banks\*
- () IFSC Registered Brokers\*
- () Global Banks



#### As a Client

- Refinery
- (i) Institutional Investors
- ① Bullion Dealers
- ① Banks
- Exporters



## Market Participants - Eligibility & Requirement

#### **As a Trading Member**



#### **Eligibility**

- Banking Units at IFSC
- Subsidiaries/Branches of entities dealing with financial products, set up in an IFSC
- Banks authorized by RBI and Nominated Agencies authorized by Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) to deal in bullion

#### Requirement

- Trading members shall have at least 1 employee having experience of minimum 3 years and sound knowledge in precious metals industry
- Trading members shall have professional competence and general reputation of fairness and integrity in business transactions

#### As a Client



#### **Eligibility & Requirement**

- A Qualified individual who is a person resident outside India having net worth not less than \$ 250,000 or any other equivalent foreign currency
- Person's resident outside India who are corporate or institutional entities having net worth not less than \$ 500,000 or any other equivalent foreign currency
- Person's resident in India, who are Qualified Resident Individual, corporate or institutional entities (Including Banking Entities) who are customers of Nominated Banks/Agencies
- Member shall enter into Brokerage agreement with customers and on-board the customers based on the eligibility norms specified



## Fees, Deposit and Net Worth

Net worth Requirements for IFSCA Incorporated Entities/Applicant In USD							
Applicant	Deposit Structure		Total Danasit	NI o t NA/o ut lo			
	Exchange	Clearing Corporation	Total Deposit	Net Worth			
TM	15,000	-	15,000	150,000^			
TM & SCM	15,000	75,000	90,000	10,000,000*			
TM & CM	15,000	85,000	100,000	10,000,000*			
PCM	-	100,000	100,000	10,000,000*			
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^ IIBX defined; \* IFSCA defined

IFSCA registration fees, annual membership fees, processing fees will be charge as applicable

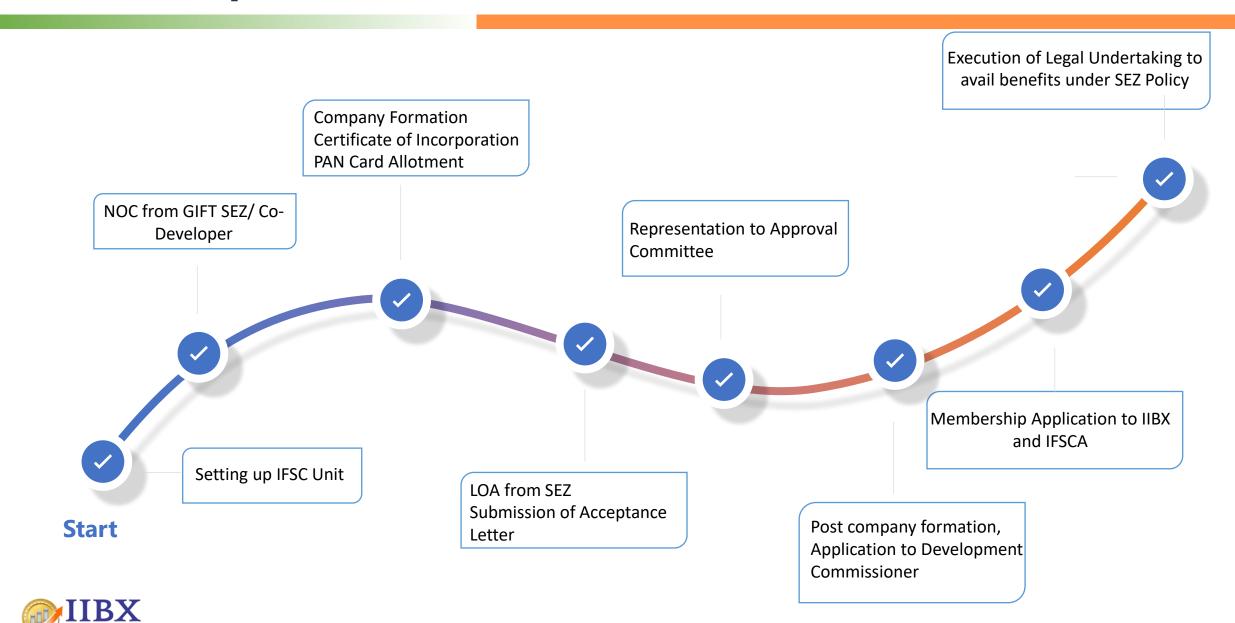
#### **Base Minimum Capital Requirement**

In USD

Particular	Clearing Corporation
Only Proprietary trading without Algorithmic trading	75,000
Trading only on behalf of Client (without Proprietary trading) and without Algo	75,000
Proprietary trading and trading on behalf of Client without Algo	75,000
All Trading Members/Brokers with Algo	75,000



## **Membership Process**



## Proposed Product, Market Hours and Settlement Type

#### **Products**

**GOLD** 1 KG

GOLD 995 T+0





GOLD MINI 999 T+0

SILVER T+0



#### **Market Hours\***

9.00 AM to 3.30 PM / 4.30 PM (IST)

#### **Settlement**



T+0 Settlement

100% Margin

Compulsory in Bullion Depository Receipts

\* depending on day light savings

# PHASE – 2 PROPOSAL

PHASE - 1 PROPOSAL





GOLD 995 T+2





GOLD MINI 999 T+2



SILVER T+2

#### **Market Hours**



4.30 AM to 2.30 AM^ (IST)

#### Settlement



T+2 Settlement

Volatility Based Margin; Extreme Loss Margin; Mark To Market Margin

Compulsory in Bullion Depository Receipts



Confidential ^next calendar day

## IIBX Block Window (Phase 1)









Timing		3.00 PM-4.15PM	
Funding	Pre-funded with metal and funds	Pre-funded with metal and funds	
Settlement	T+0	T+0	

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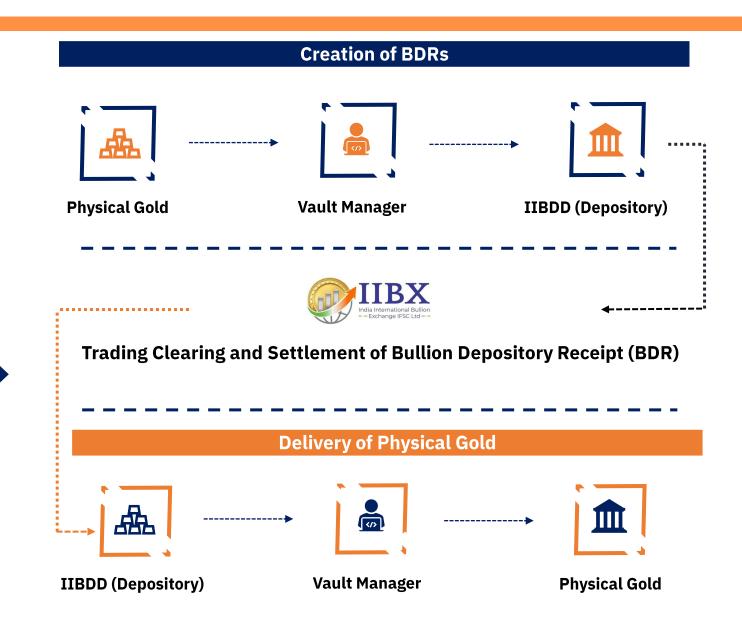
- ☐ Two daily Fixings, aligned with London AM & PM fix timings
- Block window
- Quoted and conducted in US Dollars



## **Common Interface – Flow of Transactions**

## Common interface between Bullion Exchange, Clearing Corporation, Depositories, Vault Manager and the participants

- Delivery of physical gold to Vault manager to create Bullion Deposit Receipts (BDRs)
- IIBDD shall assign ISIN to BDRs to make it tradeable on IIBX
- IIBCC informs IIBX and IIBDD for any changes in the beneficial owner of BDRs at the end of the trading day
- Beneficial owner intend to obtain physical delivery against BDRs required to surrender BDRs





### IIBX - Bullion Movement

#### **Bullion Movement**



Global Supplying Bank / Entities

Supplier ships Bullion into FTWZ



Logistics

Supplier stores Bullion in FTWZ GIFT City managed by IBE Depository



**FTWZ GIFT City** 

#### **Exchange Platform**



Entities registered on IBE



## IIBX – Trading Activities Eco-system

#### **Trading Activities**

Activity	QI Resident Outside India	QI Indian Resident*	Global Banks	Nominated Agencies/Banks
Trade on Exchange	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	~	<b>✓</b>
Handling BDR Delivery	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
SEZ Imports and BDR Creation	<b>✓</b>	×	~	NA
BDR Extinguishment and Export	<b>✓</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	NA
BDR Extinguishment and Import to Indian DTA	×	×	×	<b>✓</b>

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Indian resident Bullion Dealers and jewelers etc.



## **Value for Industry Stakeholders**

#### **Tranche 1**

- T+0 Settlement
- Bullion Depository Receipts
- Block Deal Window

#### **Tranche 2**

• T+2 Settlement

#### **Way Forward**

- Deferred Contracts
- Gold on Lease/ Loan
- Other Bullion products

#### **Value for Indian Jewellers, Traders & Supplier Banks**

- Proximity to Indian DTA and important bullion trading hubs
- A well-connected distribution network Logistics, Transportation & Warehousing
- Availability and trade of all financial instruments linked to standard import benchmark
- A well functioning transaction and holding eco system Bullion Deposit Receipts
- FX transaction alongside in IFSC Exchanges
- Electronic trading platform available around-the-clock



## **Bullion Deposit**

#### **Due Diligence Process & BDR Issuance**

On the request of the depositor, the depository will inform Vault for bullion deposit

For risk mitigation, Depository to allow access of BO ID, personal detail, authorized person and signatory detail before deposit

BO shall upload documents at depository to capture BO ID, ISIN, Units etc. before deposit of bullion; Checker at depository will verify Depositor will deposit bullion with the identified vault & Vault Manager shall ensure completion of the documentation

Maker will upload details on refiner, serial number, purity, weight, packing etc in the depository system Checker to verify details and confirm the receipt of physical bullion and relay the information to the Depository

On verification, the depository may issue Bullion Depository Receipts in Dematerialize form with underlying bullion, bearing a unique identifier

Units will be credited to BO account of the depositor & Obtain the signature of the depositor on BDR for the records

#### **SOPs for Vault Manager**

Ensure technical specification before accepting from the depositor

Vault Manager to be liable for any damages caused by willful omission of BDR Particulars

No BDR shall, by reason of the omission only of any of the particulars setforth in sub-regulation (1), be deemed to be invalid for the purpose of settlement of disputes or claims

With the approval of the authority, Vault manager shall employ an assayer for the purpose of good delivery standard

To ensure the bullion deposited shall meets the good delivery standard

#### **SOP for Vault Manager for Storage**

- Demarcate storage area for vaulting services for bullion in respect of which the BDR is issued
- 2. The physical storage of BDR shall be separate from other vaulting activities
- 3. To ensure maintaining the quality and quantity of physical bullion stored in the vault
- 4. To ensure physical inventory matches with the record daily

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### **Bullion Withdrawal**

#### **Verification / Due Diligence Process**

Collection of due charges and customs duty from BO before delivery

Confirmation to the depository to extinguish BDR

Confirmation to the deposito

- For Gold, maker at vault will capture the necessary details including Bar serial number to be delivered to BO
- For Silver, maker at Vault will confirm the bars identified by the depository as to be withdrawn to deliver to BO

#### **Withdrawal Procedure**

On withdrawal, Maker at Depository will confirm\* and checker will verify Withdrawal message will relay electronically to the Vault Manager

On the extinguishment of BDR, dematerialized balance will be reduced from BO Account Vault Manager to intimate to the Depository, on the Withdrawal from vault

The audit trail shall be maintained in respect to the extinguished BDRs

- \*For silver, identify the bar that is to be delivered against a withdrawal request
- \*For Gold, Bar Serial Number to be delivered to BO

#### **Possible Withdrawal Scenarios**

- I. Domestic Requirement Bill of entry to be filed for home consumption
- II. Requirement in another SEZ Zone to Zone bill of entry to be filed
- III. Intent to Export Shipping bill to be filed



## SOP - Reconciliation between the Vault / Vault Manager and the Bullion Depository

- For reconciliation, the depository to electronically provide total balances in the system to the Vault/Vault Manager on daily basis
- The Bullion Depository and Vault Manager shall reconcile active BDRs daily -
  - At EOD, Bullion Depository shall provide details on active BDR, ISINs, bar numbers etc to the Vault Manager
  - On the next business day, at the start of day, Vault Manager shall confirm Units and other information
- Any reconciliation issues, shall be reported to the Authority, Bullion Exchange, Bullion Depository and Bullion Clearing Corporation and temporarily stopped the fresh deposits/withdrawal
  - The Vault manager shall be liable for such discrepancy to the extend of his failure/fault being liable for a disciplinary action by the Authority
- Fresh deposit and withdrawal shall be resumed with the Authority approval, post the reconciliation issues resolved
- The Vault manager shall submit periodic reports on discrepancies and actions to the Authority and the Depository
- If the Vault / Vault Manager stores multiple/same Bullion with different package sizes, such records should be shown in different line item
- Physical stock reconciliation will be "as on date and time" report, data up to report generation time will be displayed
- For any disputes on quality of physical bullion during the withdrawal, shall be dealt by obtaining a quality report from an independent assayer recognized by the Bullion Depository



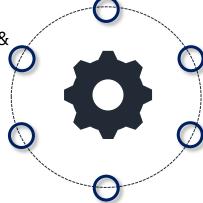
## Strengthening India as a Global Hub

#### **KEY BENEFITS**

Quality Assurance, Reliability and Operational excellence with International standards

Lower transaction costs & Longer trading hours

Robust Vaulting Mechanism



100% tax holiday for 10 years out of any 15 years

Nil taxes on broking income and profits from proprietary trading

Digitally-enabled, best in class customer experience

## POWERING INDIA IN INTERNATIONAL BULLION MARKET

Transforming India to be a global price setter

Transparency in pricing and standardization of Gold

Reduction in bullion imports and hence, reduction in CAD

Platform for Import, Trading, Leasing and Lending of Bullion

Impetus to monetize the Gold

Emergence of India as a global hub in International bullion market



## Thank You

