

Report for meeting with Officials of Royal Thai Embassy, New Delhi held at Regional Office on 17th January 2020

A meeting of the members of the Regional Committee, Coloured Gemstones Panel Sub-Committee and member participants who are participating in Bangkok Shows was convened with the following officials from the Royal Thai Embassy, New Delhi, who have visited Regional Office on 17th January 2020.

1. Ms. Saithong Soiphet - Minister Counsellor (Commercial)

2. Mr. Narathip Raksakit - Counsellor (Commercial)

The Officials from the Royal Thai Embassy were welcomed by presenting bouquet of flowers by Regional Chairman, Shri Nirmal Kumar Bardiya and Convener, Silver Jewellery Panel Committee, Shri Rambabu Gupta. The following points were discussed during the meeting.

- a. Regional Chairman requested the Embassy officials to reduce the requirement of certain paper formalities while granting multiple entry long term Thai Visa to Indian Citizens, as there are certain documents like Income statement, Balance sheet, list of shareholdings etc of the inviting Thai company as getting the same from the inviting Thai company is almost impossible due to the fact that it may reveal certain very critical information to the Indian buyer/ supplier. The Embassy officials requested for an official representation by the Council on the said issue, to be addressed to Ambassador of Thailand with a copy to them.
- b. The Embassy officials invited Council to recommend visitors to the upcoming Bangkok Gems & jewellery Show to be held in the end of February 2020. Some of these visitors could be considered for complimentary hotel stay during their visit to the show.
- c. The Council placed a request for providing booths to Domestic Thai Companies and Indian Companies at the same price, which presently is being offered at almost 3 times higher price to the Indian Companies. This has resulted in decreased participation by the Indian companies. The Embassy official noted the issue and assured to discuss the same with DPIT, Thailand who are the organisers of the show.
- d. The Council further apprised the Embassy Officials about the International Gems & Jewellery Show (IGJS) being organised at Jaipur from 1st to 3rd April 2020. Further the Embassy officials were requested to extend their support in enrolling Thai companies as exhibitors and buyers in IGJS.

The Embassy officials also visited Gem Testing Laboratory, Jaipur. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to all present and in the end a Memento was presented to the Embassy officials.

Glimpses of the meeting:



