



*Vision*

"To be a global leader in promoting good corporate governance"

*Motto*

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*Mission*

"To develop high calibre professionals facilitating good corporate governance"

## **NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRACTICING COMPANY SECRETARIES**

The ICSI entered into an MoU with the Indian Association for Gold Excellence and Standards (IAGES) on January 15, 2026. This strategic partnership aims to create unique opportunities for Firms of Company Secretaries in Practice (PCS firms) positioning them as key facilitators in the implementation of IAGES accreditation standards. This collaboration offers a significant growth avenue for PCS firms looking to diversify their professional service portfolios within the evolving gold industry.



Indian Association for Gold Excellence and Standards (IAGES) is a Self-Regulatory Organisation (SRO) created by the Indian gold industry, supported by prominent gold sector industry associations and World Gold Council. IAGES stands as an independent body revolutionizing the gold industry in India. Modeled on the principles of leading sectoral associations in India, IAGES brings a pioneering framework to ensure transparency, trust and sustainability in the gold sector. To enable this, IAGES has developed an accreditation framework which sets out how the IAGES members should assess their organization's conformance with the established Code of Conduct.



# BENEFITS OF MOU

## COMPLIMENTARY EMANELMENT

Provides free empanelment for ICSI members to assess gold industry partners across India.

## ASSESSMENT MANDATES

Positions PCS firms as authorized external assessment agencies for nationwide industry compliance annual assessment.

## INDUSTRY DIVERSIFICATION

PCS firms can expand services across the gold value chain, from Refiners, Bullion Traders, Manufacturers, Hallmarking Assaying Agencies, Retailers and Digital Gold Platforms.

## ENHANCED MARKET CREDIBILITY

Fosters trust, institutional compliance and professional capability growth within the gold ecosystem.

## ELIGIBILITY

The PCS Firm-

- should have minimum average annual financial turnover of ₹ 1 crore (Rupees One Crore only) during the last three consecutive financial years.
- must have minimum two partners.
- is in existence for a minimum period of 5 years.

LINK FOR REGISTRATION - <https://forms.gle/zgZi2HBCWtNxVjnRA>

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