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## About the Company:

Senco Gold Itd is a pan India jewellery retail player with a history of more than five decades. They are the largest organized jewellery and retail player in the eastern region of India based on number of stores and among eastern India based jewellery retailers. They primarily sell gold and diamond jewellery and sell jewellery made of silver, platinum, precious, and semi-precious stones and other metals. As on March 31, 2023, they have 136 showrooms, which have a total area of approximately 409,882 sq. ft., in 96 cities and towns over 13 states across India.

Their wide range of product offerings caters to diverse customer segments. In particular, they cater to the upwardly middle class and younger generation. Further millennials or Gen Y being persons born between 1981 and 1996 tend to have slightly higher disposal income while Gen Z, born after 1996, are yet to hit their peak earning potential, leading to lower disposal incomes. Further, they have a diverse range of offerings within the category of affordable jewellery, with an active catalogue of more than 120,000 designs for gold jewellery designs and more than 69,000 designs for diamond jewellery.

Issue details				
Price Band (Rs in per share)	301-317			
Issue size (Rs in Crore)	405.00			
Fresh Issue size (Rs in Crore)	270.00			
OFS Issue size (Rs in Crore)	135.00			
Issue open date	04-07-2023			
Issue close date	06-07-2023			
Tentative date of Allotment	11-07-2023			
Tentative date of Listing	14-07-2023			
Total number of shares (lakhs)	134.55-127.76			
No. of shares for QIBs (50%) (lakhs)	67.28-63.88			
No. of shares for NII (15%) (lakhs)	20.18-19.16			
No. of shares for retail investors (35%) (lakhs)	47.09-44.72			
Minimum order quantity	47			
Face value (in Rs)	10			
Amount for retail investors (1 lot)	14147-14899			
Maximum number of shares for Retail investors at lower Band	658(14 Lots)			
Maximum number of shares for Retail investors at upper band	611(13 lots)			
Maximum amount for retail investors at lower Band- upper band (in Rs)	198058-193687			
Exchanges to be listed on	BSE, NSE			

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### **Promoters**

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# **Objective of the Offer**

- Funding working capital requirements of the Company
- Sale of Equity Shares of by by SAIF Partners India IV Limited (the Selling Shareholder) aggregating up to Rs.135 crores
- General corporate purposes



# **Financials**

Brief Financials						
Particulars (Rs. Cr)*	FY23	FY22	FY21			
Share Capital	55.85	53.18	53.18			
Net Worth	945.52	725.96	602.62			
Revenue from Operations	4108.54	3547.41	2674.92			
EBIDTA	347.75	289.95	189.86			
EBIDTA Margin	8.46%	8.17%	7.10%			
PAT	158.47	129.10	61.48			
Basic EPS(Rs)	22.93	19.42	9.25			
Net Asset Value (Rs)	136.83	109.20	90.64			
P/E#	13.82	NA	NA			
P/B#	2.32	NA	NA			

Source: RHP # Calculated at the upper price band, \* Restated summary

# **Industry Review:**

### **GLOBAL ECONOMIC OVERVIEW**

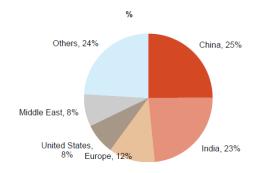
Annual gold demand surged 18% to 4,741 tonnes during CY 2022 because of robust investment demand. Demand for bars and coins grew by 2% to 1,217 tonnes, while holdings in ETFs fell by a smaller amount when compared to CY 2021. Investment demand (excluding OTC) reached 1,107 tonnes – recording a growth of 10%. Higher central bank holdings for two consecutive quarters brought the annual holdings to 1,136 tonnes and contributed to the overall growth in demand.

### Category-wise gold demand

(in tonne)	CY17	CY18	CY19	CY20	CY21	CY22
Jewellery	2,242	2,250	2,127	1,398	2,148	2,086
Investment – bars and coins	1,044	1,090	871	904	1,190	1,217
Investment – ETFs	271	74	400	892	-189	-110
Industrial – dentistry, etc.	333	335	326	303	330	308.5
Central banks	379	656	605	255	450	1136
Total world demand for gold	4,284	4,445	4,354	3,678	4,013	4,741

Source: WGC Gold Demand Trends Full Year 2022

Region-wise share of gold consumption (jewellery and bars/coins) in 2022, volume



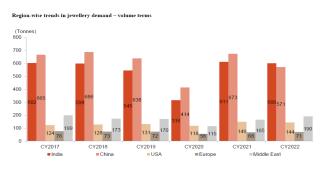
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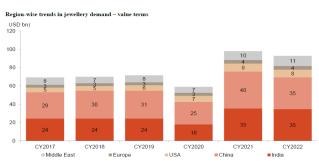
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### India races ahead of China as largest consumer of gold jewellery in CY 2022

China consumed 571 tonne of gold jewellery in 2022 down from 673 tonnes consumed in CY 2021, recording a fall of 15%. India too witnessed a drop in jewellery demand, but the fall was nominal at 2%. Resultantly, India emerged as the largest consumer of gold jewellery in the world. Together, India and China account for more than half of global gold consumer demand. Other key regions are Europe (71 tonnes) where the fall in demand during the December quarter restricted growth to 4%. Here, a decline in demand from the UK dragged down the overall demand from the European region. US jewellery demand stood at 144 tonnes, lower by 4% when compared to 2021. Much of the fall in demand came during the second half of the year. Additionally, a growing fear of recessions weighed on sentiments and demand.



Note: The Middle East includes Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kuwait, Egypt, Iran and others; Europe includes France Germany, Italy, Spain, the UK, Switzerland, Austria and others Source: WGC Gold Demand Tenata 2022

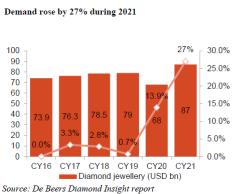


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## Global diamond jewellery demand declined 14% in 2020 due to lockdown and mobility restrictions, rose by nearly a third in 2021

Demand for diamond jewellery declined to \$68 billion in 2020, compared with \$79 billion in 2019, owing to lockdown and mobility restrictions. The US delivered the best relative performance with de-growth restricted to 7%, driven by the government's fiscal stimulus programmes and sentiment-driven shopping by consumers for high-quality gifts. Sales plunged in India because of curtailed discretionary spending following Covid-19, with stores remaining shut for most of the June quarter, and intermittent lockdowns in some states in the September quarter. However, demand gradually improved towards the last quarter. There was a resurgence in demand for diamond jewellery in the run-up to the festive season.

Global demand for natural diamond jewellery witnessed a 27% rise in 2021 to USD 87 billion. This was higher than the demand seen in 2019 by about 10%. This growth in demand was led by an improvement from the US markets, which grew by 34% on a y-o-y basis. Natural diamond jewellery sales in the US rose to USD 47 billion, accounting for over half of overall diamond jewellery sales. The US government's fiscal stimulus programmes and accumulated savings by customers during the pandemic translated into higher demand. The holiday season at the end of the year witnessed unprecedented growth on an already low base of the pandemic year.



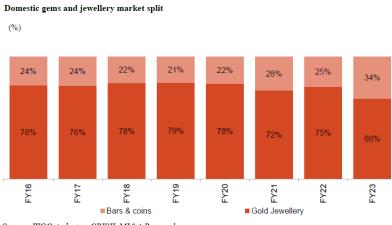


Source: De Beers Diamond Insight report

### Overview of the Indian gems and jewellery industry

### Market estimated at ~Rs 4,700 billion in fiscal 2023

The domestic gems and jewellery market was roughly ~Rs 4,700 billion in fiscal 2023 with gold jewellery dominating the overall market with a 66% share. Domestic jewellery demand has historically been dominated by consumption. Consumption of jewellery studded with diamond, pearls and other precious and semi-precious stones, has also been rising over the past five years but remains significantly lower than that of gold jewellery. Growing demand for studded jewellery could be attributed to changing consumer preferences, a rising presence of organised players and aggressive advertising campaigns.



Source: WGC, industry, CRISIL MI&A Research

Numerous headwinds led to moderation in gold demand over fiscals 2016-23; organised players grew faster than the industry

The convergence of several growth impediments — moderate growth in GDP per capita, demonetisation, rise in gold prices, the Covid-19 pandemic and adverse regulatory changes (such as an increase in import duty and PMLA implementation) — stalled gold demand growth over fiscals 2016-23. Jewellery demand declined to 558 tonne in fiscal 2017, affected by adverse regulatory changes such as demonetisation of high currency notes in the third quarter of fiscal 2017. It rose to 597 tonne and 604 tonne in fiscals 2018 and 2019, respectively. However, it again declined to 493 tonne and 369 tonne in fiscals 2020 and 2021, respectively, owing to high gold prices, an increase in import duty on gold, as well as Covid-19-induced lockdowns and store shutdowns. Gold jewellery demand rose to 579 tonnes in fiscal 2022 driven by the release of pent-up demand.

In fiscal 2023, a spike in gold prices during the peak festive season falling in the December quarter as well as an unprecedented rise led by US banking crisis in the March quarter pushed prices up. The rise in prices during the crucial demand season resulted in consumers postponing or entirely deferring purchases. Simultaneously, rising prices were a positive for investment demand resulting in higher offtake of gold bars and coins. As a result, the share of gold jewellery came down from around 75% in fiscal 2022 to 66% in fiscal 2023. Jewellery demand continued to dominate overall gold consumption in India though.

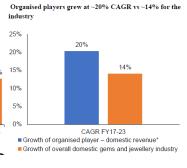
Though affected by an industry-wide slowdown in gold demand in fiscal 2020 and the pandemic in fiscal 2021, organised players continued to grow faster than the industry and gained market share as evident from revenue growth at a 20% CAGR for organised players between fiscals 2017 and 2023 compared with 14% for the industry. To compare growth of the organised players vis-à-vis their unorganised counterparts, CRISIL MI&A Research has considered domestic revenue of a sample of three publicly listed organised jewellery players – Titan (jewellery division), TBZ and Thangamayil.

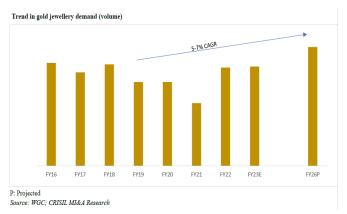


includes gold jewellery and coins

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Source: Company annual reports; WGC; Industry; CRISIL







# **Competitive Strengths**

### Strong brand name with heritage and a legacy of over five decades

They believe their more than five-decade record of accomplishment evokes consumers' trust in their products. To ensure transparency to customers, they have been BIS hallmarking their gold jewellery for all gold jewellery, since 2012, prior to the regulatorily mandated hallmarking, which started from May 2021. They have also installed gold testing machines (XRF machines) to provide assurance to customers for the hallmarked gold jewellery sold by them at all Showrooms and follow stringent and transparent purity checks to ensure quality of their jewellery before being sold to thier customers.

Strong 'Company Operated Showroom' base complemented by an established asset-light 'franchise' model leading to operating leverage.

They focus on attaining an optimal balance between their operated Showrooms and expanding their asset-light franchisee model. To capitalise on the shift in consumer demand to organised jewellers from the traditionally unorganised, many brands started to expand their presence at a pan-India level. Apart from opening company-operated showrooms, many also adopted the asset-light, franchisee route for expanding their geographical presence.

They use a 'hub and spoke' approach to enter new geographies and optimize inventory management, which means that they typically foray into large or new cities by way of Company Operated Showrooms and then leverage 'franchise' model to expand into tier-II and tier-III locations. Having implemented this model of growth in West Bengal, with beginnings in Calcutta and subsequent forays into the tier-II and tier-III locations, they have been using it to expand pan India.

### Calibrated focus on light, affordable jewellery with the intention to cater to the upwardly mobile and younger generation.

Their wide range of product offerings caters to diverse customer segments. In particular, they cater to the upwardly middle class and younger generation. Further millennials or Gen Y being persons born between 1981 and 1996 tend to have slightly higher disposal income while Gen Z, born after 1996, are yet to hit their peak earning potential, leading to lower disposal incomes. (Source: CRISIL Report) With the increasing number of working women, exposure to global designs and rising number of young consumers who prefer to purchase jewellery for adornment rather than investments, consumer preferences is shifting away from traditional bulky jewellery to lightweight fashion items. Hence, jewellery retailers have started manufacturing lightweight jewellery of contemporary designs, suitable for daily use. (Source: CRISIL Report) Accordingly, their product range, for light and affordable jewellery starts at approximately ₹ 2,000. Further, they have a diverse range of offerings within the category of affordable jewellery, with an active catalogue of more than 120,000 designs for gold jewellery designs and more than 69,000 designs for diamond jewellery.

### Established Systems and Procedures to mitigate risk and improve efficiencies

They have established systems and procedures for various facets of business and operations including inventory management, order management, human resource management, finance and controls, CRM, data analytics, management processes and risk management. Their operational processes are set forth in an operating manual, which has been documented by a global consulting firm.



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# **Risk Factors**

### Risk of losing market share

They face significant competition in the Indian jewellery market, they risk losing substantial portion of customers and their market share, which will adversely affect their business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.

### Changes in gold loan policies

They obtain gold on loan basis, primarily from bullion banks, which remains subject to RBI regulations. Any adverse change in the regulations governing gold on loan basis may adversely affect their financial condition and results of operations. Further, any inability of one or more of the major bullion banks to loan gold may require them to purchase gold at higher rates thereby adversely affecting the financial conditions.

### Dependency on skilled personnel

The business depends on o ability to attract and retain skilled Karigars, designers and sales personnel and employees. Their failure to attract or retain such personnel could materially and adversely affect business, results of operations and financial condition. Further, franchisees employ their own personnel at franchise stores and such personnel are not under their management. Any negative actions by such personnel may have an adverse impact on business and brand image.



# **Peer Comparison**

Company	Total Income (in crs)	FV	EPS	NAV	P/E*	P/B*	RoNW (%)	ROCE (%)
Senco Gold Limited	4108.54	10	22.93	136.83	13.82	2.32	18.96%	26.0%
Kalyan Jewellers Limited	14109.33	10	4.20	35.29	35.00	4.17	12.79%	10.50%
Titan Company Limited	40883.00	1	36.61	133.49	83.28	22.84	30.73%	31.90%

<sup>\*</sup>P/E & P/B ratio based on closing market price as on June 30th, 2023, At the upper price band of IPO, financial details consolidated audited results as on FY23

# **OUR VIEWS**

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