Precious Metal Market & Opportunities -Malaysia

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Precious Metal Market

Finished Jewellery – Gold

II. Gold Bullion Market

I. Finished Jewellery - Gold

- Predominantly 22K or 916 Gold ~ 90%
- Balance 18K & 24K Gold

- Estimated Domestic Market Size approximately 20MT a year
- Metal Focus Gold Report (2016) ~
 15.5MT, jewellery + retail investment
- Thompson Reuler (GFMS) ~ 13.0MT, jewellery + retail investment

 About 40% - 50% of retail sales dominated by a few multi-outlets retail chain stores

Total no. of retail outlets, ~ 3,000

For big cities & towns mostly in shopping malls.

Export

- Malaysia export about 50MT of finished gold jewelleries annually
- Mainly to Middle East countries
- Penang main fabrication center, ~85%
- Quite a fair bit of export through Singapore

II. Gold Bullion Market

- Prior to April 2015, before implementation of GST, 2 main importers/traders of Gold Bullion/Gold Bar
- Post April 2015, GST implemented at standard rate of 6%
- LBMA accredited Gold Bar exempted from GST, others will be standard rated at 6%

- New amendments introduced in Jan 2016 for import of Gold Bullion
- Importers only granted exemption from GST for gold bar meant for investment
- Need apply for permit, with conditions, to enjoy GST exemption for investment Gold Bar
- Gold Bar for fabrication of gold jewellery will be standard rated at 6% GST

 This new amendments rendered one of the main importers to suspend trading of Gold Bar pending appeal

- Estimated total import of Gold Bar
 - ~ 15 20MT/yr

Statistics of Precious Metal Import/Export for year 2014-2016

Jewellery Export

YEAR	RM (MILLION)
2014	6827
2015	7766
2016	7186

Bullion Import

YEAR	RM (MILLION)	MT (approx.)
2014	10933	70
2015	11338	68
2016	9602	55

Opportunities (Gold Bullion)

- 1) Relative small market
- 2) Limited players
- 3) Relative ease of entry

Thank You!