

MIRA INFORM REPORT

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IDENTIFICATION DETAILS

Name :	STAR GEMS
Registered Office :	Room 1404, 14/F., Hang Seng Tsim Sha Tsui Building, 18 Carnarvon Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon
Country :	Hongkong
Date of Incorporation :	02.03.2005
Com. Reg. No.:	35375975-000-03
Legal Form :	Sole Proprietorship.
Line of Business :	Importer, exporter and wholesaler of all kinds of loose diamonds.
No. of Employees :	4. (Including related company)

RATING & COMMENTS

(Mira Inform has adopted New Rating mechanism w.e.f. 23rd January 2017)

MIRA's Rating :	A
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Credit Rating	Explanation	Rating Comments
A	Acceptable Risk	Business dealings permissible with moderate risk of default

Status :	Satisfactory
Payment Behaviour :	Slow but Correct
Litigation :	Clear

NOTES:

Any query related to this report can be made on e-mail: while quoting report number, name and date.

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ECGC Country Risk Classification List

Country Name	Previous Rating (30.06.2018)	Current Rating (30.09.2018)
Hongkong	A1	A1

Risk Category	ECGC Classification
Insignificant	A1
Low Risk	A2
Moderately Low Risk	B1
Moderate Risk	B2
Moderately High Risk	C1
High Risk	C2
Very High Risk	D

HONGKONG - ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

Hong Kong has a free market economy, highly dependent on international trade and finance - the value of goods and services trade, including the sizable share of reexports, is about four times GDP. Hong Kong has no tariffs on imported goods, and it levies excise duties on only four commodities, whether imported or produced locally: hard alcohol, tobacco, oil, and methyl alcohol. There are no quotas or dumping laws. Hong Kong continues to link its currency closely to the US dollar, maintaining an arrangement established in 1983.

Excess liquidity, low interest rates and a tight housing supply have caused Hong Kong property prices to rise rapidly. The lower and middle-income segments of the population increasingly find housing unaffordable.

Hong Kong's open economy has left it exposed to the global economic situation. Its continued reliance on foreign trade and investment makes it vulnerable to renewed global financial market volatility or a slowdown in the global economy.

Mainland China has long been Hong Kong's largest trading partner, accounting for about half of Hong Kong's total trade by value. Hong Kong's natural resources are limited, and food and raw materials must be imported. As a result of China's easing of travel restrictions, the number of mainland tourists to the territory surged from 4.5 million in 2001 to 47.3 million in 2014, outnumbering visitors from all other countries combined. After peaking in 2014, overall tourist arrivals dropped 2.5% in 2015 and 4.5% in 2016. The tourism sector rebounded in 2017, with visitor arrivals rising 3.2% to 58.47 million. Travelers from Mainland China totaled 44.45 million, accounting for 76% of the total.

The Hong Kong Government is promoting the Special Administrative Region (SAR) as the preferred business hub for renminbi (RMB) internationalization. Hong Kong residents are allowed to establish RMB-denominated savings accounts, RMB-denominated corporate and Chinese government bonds have been issued in Hong Kong, RMB trade settlement is allowed, and investment schemes such as the Renminbi Qualified Foreign Institutional Investor (RQFII) Program was first launched in Hong Kong. Offshore RMB activities experienced a setback, however, after the People's Bank of China changed the way it set the central parity rate in August 2015. RMB deposits in Hong Kong fell from 1.0 trillion RMB at the end of 2014 to 559 billion RMB at the end of 2017, while RMB trade settlement handled by banks in Hong Kong also shrank from 6.8 trillion RMB in 2015 to 3.9 trillion RMB in 2017.

Hong Kong has also established itself as the premier stock market for Chinese firms seeking to list abroad. In 2015, mainland Chinese companies constituted about 50% of the firms listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and accounted for about 66% of the exchange's market capitalization.

During the past decade, as Hong Kong's manufacturing industry moved to the mainland, its service industry has grown rapidly. In 2014, Hong Kong and China signed a new agreement on achieving basic liberalization of trade in services in Guangdong Province under the Closer Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), adopted in 2003 to forge closer ties between Hong Kong and the mainland. The new measures, which took effect in March 2015, cover a negative list and a most-favored treatment provision. On the basis of the Guangdong Agreement, the Agreement on Trade in Services signed in November 2015 further enhanced liberalization, including extending the implementation of the majority of Guangdong pilot liberalization measures to the whole Mainland, reducing the restrictive measures in the negative list, and adding measures in the positive lists for cross-border services as well as cultural and telecommunications services. In June 2017, the Investment Agreement and the Agreement on Economic and Technical Cooperation (Ecotech Agreement) were signed under the framework of CEPA.

Hong Kong's economic integration with the mainland continues to be most evident in the banking and finance sector. Initiatives like the Hong Kong-Shanghai Stock Connect, the Hong Kong- Shenzhen Stock Connect the Mutual Recognition of Funds, and the Bond Connect scheme are all important steps towards opening up the Mainland's capital markets and have reinforced Hong Kong's role as China's leading offshore RMB market. Additional connect schemes such as ETF Connect (for exchange-traded fund products) are also under exploration by Hong Kong authorities. In 2017, Chief Executive Carrie LAM announced plans to increase



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government spending on research and development, education, and technological innovation with the aim of spurring continued economic growth through greater sector diversification.

Source : CIA

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COMPANY NAME AND ADDRESS

STAR GEMS

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PHONE: 852-2890 6584, 2367 6600

FAX: 852-2894 8414

E-MAIL: sales@stargems.com.hk

MANAGEMENT

Manager: Mr. Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai Shah

SUMMARY

Establishment: 2nd March, 2005.

Organization: Sole Proprietorship.

Capital: Not disclosed.

Business Category: Diamond Trader.

Employees: 4. (Including related company)

Main Dealing Banker: The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. Ltd., Hong Kong.

Banking Relation: Satisfactory.

ADDRESS

Head Office:-

Room 1404, 14/F., Hang Seng Tsim Sha Tsui Building, 18 Carnarvon Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

Associated Company:-

Star Diamond, Hong Kong. (Same address)

BUSINESS REGISTRATION NUMBER

35375975-000-03

MANAGEMENT

Manager: Mr. Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai Shah
(Mobile Phone No.: 852-9757 0845)

SOLE PROPRIETOR

Name: Mr. Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai SHAH
Residential Address: Flat H, 13/F., Windsor Mansion, 29-31 Chatham Road South, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

HISTORY

The subject was established on 2nd March, 2005 as a sole proprietorship concern owned by Mr. Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai Shah under the Hong Kong Business Registration Regulations.

At the very beginning, the subject was located at Flat H, 13/F., Windsor Mansion, 29-31 Chatham Road South, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong, moved to Room 908, 9/F., Hang Seng Bank Building, 18 Carnarvon Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong in March 2007, to Room 502, 5/F., Hang Seng Tsim Sha Tsui Building, 18 Carnarvon Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong in June 2011, and further moved to the present address in July 2016.

Apart from these, neither material change nor amendment has been ever traced and noted.

OPERATIONS

Activities: Importer, Exporter and Wholesaler.

Lines: All kinds of loose diamonds.

Employees: 4. (Including related company)

Commodities Imported: India, Belgium, other European countries, etc.

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Markets: Japan, Korea, Southeast Asia, Europe, Middle East, Scandinavia, Taiwan, Africa, America, China, Australia, etc.

Terms/Sales: CAD, L/C, T/T, etc.

Terms/Buying: L/C, T/T, D/A, O/A, etc.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Capital: Not disclosed.

Profit or Loss: Business is profitable.

Condition: Keeping in a normal manner.

Facilities: Making rather active use of general banking facilities.

Payment: Slow but correct .

Commercial Morality: Satisfactory.

Banker: The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. Ltd., Hong Kong.

Standing: Satisfactory

GENERAL

Star Gems was established on 2nd March, 2005 as a sole proprietorship owned by Mr. Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai Shah [N B Shah]. He is an India merchant who is holding an India Passport. It seems that he has got the right to reside in Hong Kong.

Mr. N B Shah is the manager of the subject and can be reached at his Hong Kong mobile phone number 852-9757 0845.

The subject moved to the present address in July 2016.

Star Gems is dealing in diamonds. It is engaged in importing, exporting and wholesaling loose diamonds. Most of the diamonds are sourced from India, Belgium, Israel and the other European countries.

The Shah family has established its diamond business in India since 1970.

The subject has also developed business with a number of suppliers in India and a number of overseas customers in Japan, South Korea, Southeast Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Taiwan, China, etc.

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The subject's business is normal in Hong Kong. History in Hong Kong is over thirteen years and eight months.

On the whole, consider it good for normal business engagements.

REMARKS

We said Excel Overseas is a 'related company' of the subject because it is located at the same address of the subject. We had reached Nilaybhai Bhupatbhai Shah at his Hong Kong mobile phone number 852-9757 0845 and confirmed this.

Mr. N B Shah said that his company does not have any relation with Excel Overseas is also correct because the subject and Excel Overseas are financially independent.

In order to avoid misunderstanding, we have removed all the information about Excel Overseas.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Currency	Unit	Indian Rupees
US Dollar	1	INR 72.10
UK Pound	1	INR 93.70
Euro	1	INR 81.44
HKD	1	INR 9.21

Note: Above are approximate rates obtained from sources believed to be correct

INFORMATION DETAILS

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Report Prepared by :	NIT

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RATING EXPLANATIONS

Credit Rating	Explanation	Rating Comments
A++	Minimum Risk	Business dealings permissible with minimum risk of default
A+	Low Risk	Business dealings permissible with low risk of default
A	Acceptable Risk	Business dealings permissible with moderate risk of default
B	Medium Risk	Business dealings permissible on a regular monitoring basis
C	Medium High Risk	Business dealings permissible preferably on secured basis
D	High Risk	Business dealing not recommended or on secured terms only
NB	New Business	No recommendation can be done due to business in infancy stage
NT	No Trace	No recommendation can be done as the business is not traceable

NB is stated where there is insufficient information to facilitate rating. However, it is not to be considered as unfavourable.

This score serves as a reference to assess SC's credit risk and to set the amount of credit to be extended. It is calculated from a composite of weighted scores obtained from each of the major sections of this report. The assessed factors are as follows:

- Financial condition covering various ratios
- Company background and operations size
- Promoters / Management background
- Payment record
- Litigation against the subject
- Industry scenario / competitor analysis
- Supplier / Customer / Banker review (wherever available)