



## 78th Foundation Day of Bureau of Indian Standards

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Recently, the [Bureau of Indian Standards \(BIS\)](#) celebrated its **78<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**.

- **About BIS:** BIS is the **statutory national standard body** of India established under the [BIS Act, 2016](#) for the **harmonious development** of the activities of **standardization, marking and quality certification** of goods.
  - It was initially set up as the **Indian Standards Institution (ISI)** that came into being on **6<sup>th</sup> January 1947**.
  - It functions under the **Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food, and Public Distribution**.
- **Functions:** It operates various schemes like [Product Certification \(ISI mark\)](#), [Hallmarking](#) of Gold and Silver Jeweller, [ECO Mark Scheme](#) (for labeling of environment friendly products).
- **Standards National Action Plan (SNAP) 2022- 27:** It serves as a **strong foundation for standardization** to meet the emerging technologies and concerns of sustainability and climate change.
  - It will be **pivotal** in enriching and strengthening **“Quality Culture”** in the Nation.
- **Achievements:** **94%** of Indian standards have been harmonised with the [International Organisation for Standardisation \(ISO\)](#) and the [International Electrotechnical Commission \(IEC\)](#) standards.
  - Over **44.28 crore** articles of **gold, jewellery/artefacts** have been hallmarked so far.

**Read More:** [Bureau of Indian standards \(BIS\) Act, 2016](#)

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