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The order does one thing: it substitutes a new ANNEXURE in the Hallmarking of Gold Jewellery and Gold Artefacts Order, 2020. The annexure is a list of districts, by State and Union territory. The new one names 398 districts in 26 States and Union territories. It came into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

Set against the annexure in the previous amendment, S.O. 4345(E) of August 3, 2026 (the Third Amendment Order), which named 392 districts, six districts are new: West Champaran in Bihar, South West Delhi in Delhi, Panchmahal in Gujarat, Bulandshahr and Sant Kabir Nagar in Uttar Pradesh, and Rudraprayag in Uttarakhand. No district is dropped. The only other change is the spelling of South East Delhi.

Uttar Pradesh has the most districts on the list (41), followed by Tamil Nadu (32), Maharashtra (30), and Bihar, Gujarat and Rajasthan (26 each). Chandigarh has one. The principal order is S.O. 205(E), dated January 15, 2020, and the order notes it was last amended by S.O. 4345(E), dated August 3, 2026.

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What it changes	Substitutes the ANNEXURE (the list of districts) in the Hallmarking of Gold Jewellery and Gold Artefacts Order, 2020

Districts listed	398, in 26 States and Union territories
New districts	West Champaran (Bihar), South West Delhi (Delhi), Panchmahal (Gujarat), Bulandshahr and Sant Kabir Nagar (Uttar Pradesh), Rudraprayag (Uttarakhand)
Previous list	S.O. 4345(E), August 3, 2026, 392 districts
Takes effect	On publication in the Official Gazette
Principal order	S.O. 205(E), January 15, 2020
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Districts in the new ANNEXURE, by State or Union territory

State/Union territory	Districts listed
Andhra Pradesh	18
Assam	12
Bihar	26
Chandigarh	1
Chhattisgarh	5
Delhi	9
Goa	2
Gujarat	26
Haryana	21
Himachal Pradesh	4
Jammu and Kashmir	5
Jharkhand	7
Karnataka	20
Kerala	14
Madhya Pradesh	19
Maharashtra	30
Odisha	12
Puducherry	2

Punjab	20
Rajasthan	26
Tamil Nadu	32
Telangana	13
Tripura	3
Uttar Pradesh	41
Uttarakhand	8
West Bengal	22
Total	398

The order (PDF, 1.4 MB)

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