

The Weekly Gems: News and Videos from Around the Web



It's been a distressing week for many as Israel came under attack from Hamas. You can read reactions [here](#) and [here](#). In other news, we bring you a disappointing update from China, an inside look at a lab-grown factory in India, and a report on the importance of keeping archives.

Not so golden

Hopes that Chinese consumer spending would recover during the important Golden Week fell flat, says [CNN Business](#).

Pause for thought

The All India Gem and Jewellery Domestic Council (GJC) is against the country's voluntary two-month moratorium on rough-diamond imports. The potential [impact on diamond prices](#) is behind its opposition.

Books of records

Cartier has had an archiving policy in place since the house's founding in 1847, according to this [article](#) in the *Financial Times*. Find out why keeping good records of jewelry has become more of a strategic priority for the sector.

Synthetics in Surat

The BBC [goes inside Greenlab](#), the Surat-based lab-grown diamond producer that rose to fame for [supplying](#) a synthetic stone that ended up with Jill Biden. (Unfortunately, the video doesn't give much airtime to the natural industry's side of the story.)

Fairmined silver

Producing ethical silver is complicated, but it's an important product to focus on, industry members tell [JCK](#).

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