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## **Gem-Set Gold Necklace with Floral Spray Motifs and Enamelled (Kundun) Floral Ornamentation on Reverse**

19th - 20th century

India (Jaipur)

British India/Princely States

Enameled gold, seed pearls, rubies, diamonds, red glass beads, silk and metal-thread cord

Overall (length with cord): 1 1/4 x 37 in. (3.2 x 94cm) Other (necklace without cord): 8 1/2 in. (21.6cm)

This necklace is known as a champakali, because its bud-shaped beads are said to represent the buds of the *Michelia champaca* flower. These red glass beads are inlaid with diamonds in the shape of flowers with attached clusters of seed pearls and rubies. The reverse is decorated with polychrome enamel with a red floral design on a white ground. The necklace is secured with a silk and metal-thread cord.