



Worldwide Hospitality Awards 2018

Best Hotelier Nomination

Somnath Mukherjee

Area Director - Karnataka &

General Manager - Taj West End, Bengaluru











Taj Bengal, Kolkata 1992-2006 Trainee to Assistant F&B Manager Umaid Bhawan
Palace, Jodhpur
2006-2009
F&B Manager to
Executive Assistant
Manager

Taj Nadesar Palace and The Gateway Hotel Ganges, Varanasi 2009-2012 General Manager

Rambagh Palace, Jaipur 2012-2013 General Manager Taj West End,
Bengaluru
2013-2018
General Manager to
Area Director,
Karnataka

Somnath Mukherjee *Setting New Benchmarks*

Drive for Results
Strategic Capability
Managing Vision and Purpose
Innovation Management
Building Effective Teams













EXPRESSIONS

- Best General Manager of the Year Luxury Hotels 2017-18
 by Federation of Hotel & Restaurant Associations of India
- Best General Manager of the Year Luxury Hotels 2017-18
 by Business World Hotelier Indian Hospitality Awards
- Best General Manager 2012 by Hotelier India Awards
- Best Hotel Restaurant Manager 2005 by Federation of Hotel
 & Restaurant Associations of India
- Nominated on the Board of Directors of Taj Karnataka, a joint venture of Government of Karnataka and IHCL
- On the Selection Panel of Tata Administrative Services.

Awards & Recognition









5-Star Deluxe Hotel



117 Keys including 24 Suites



Blue Ginger & Masala Klub - our signature restaurants, Mynt - our all-day diner and Blue Bar - our open-air lounge



5 indoor banqueting venues and the Prince of Wales Lawns spread over 11000 sq. ft.



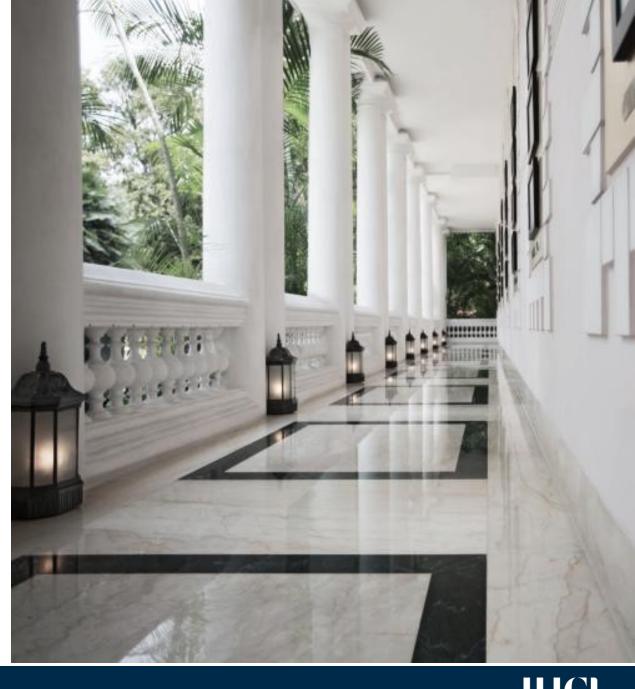
Jiva Spa & Salon, Ayurveda Centre, Fitness Centre and 3 Swimming Pools



Les Clefs d'Or Concierge, Travel Desk, Business Centre, Valet Parking, Club Lounge and Shopping Gallery

Taj West End, Bengaluru

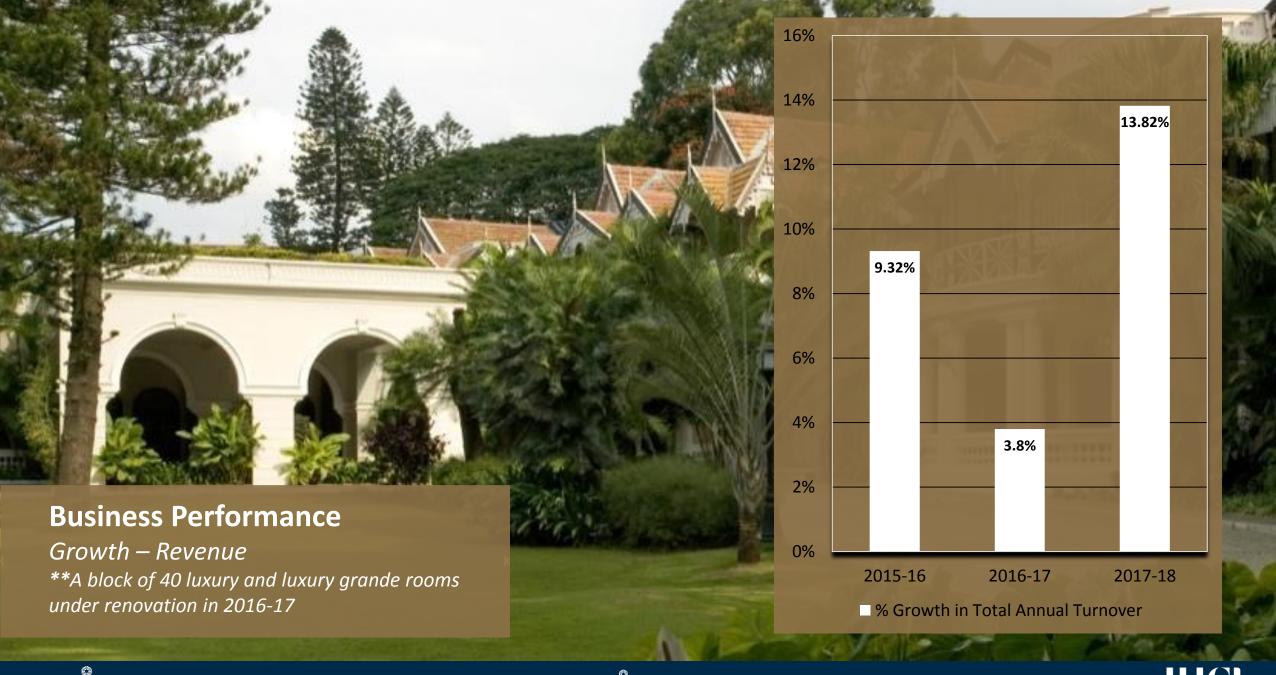
One of IHCL's finest luxury hotels





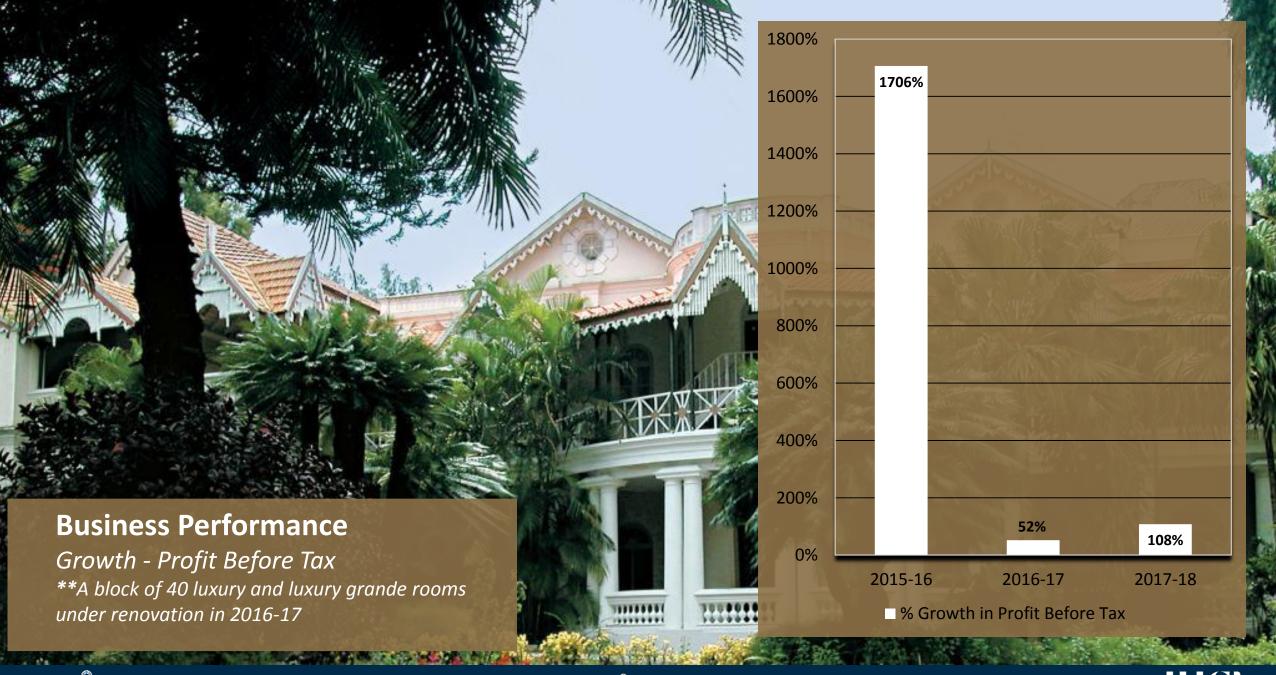










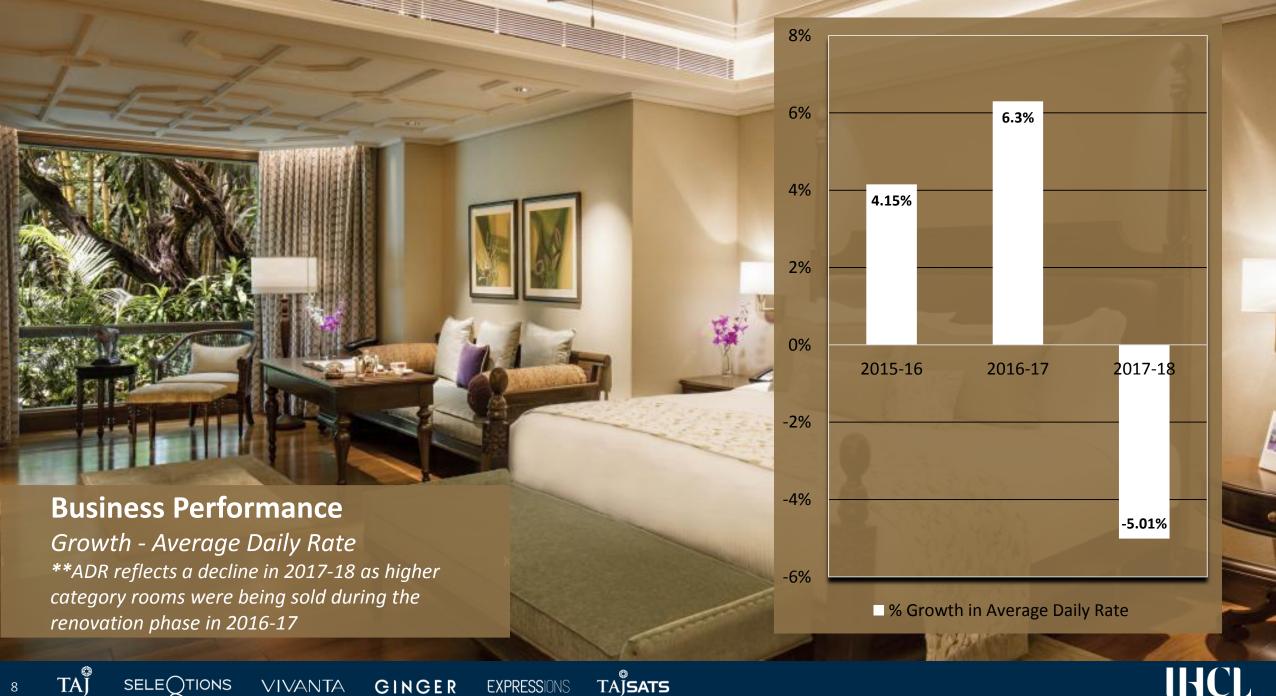


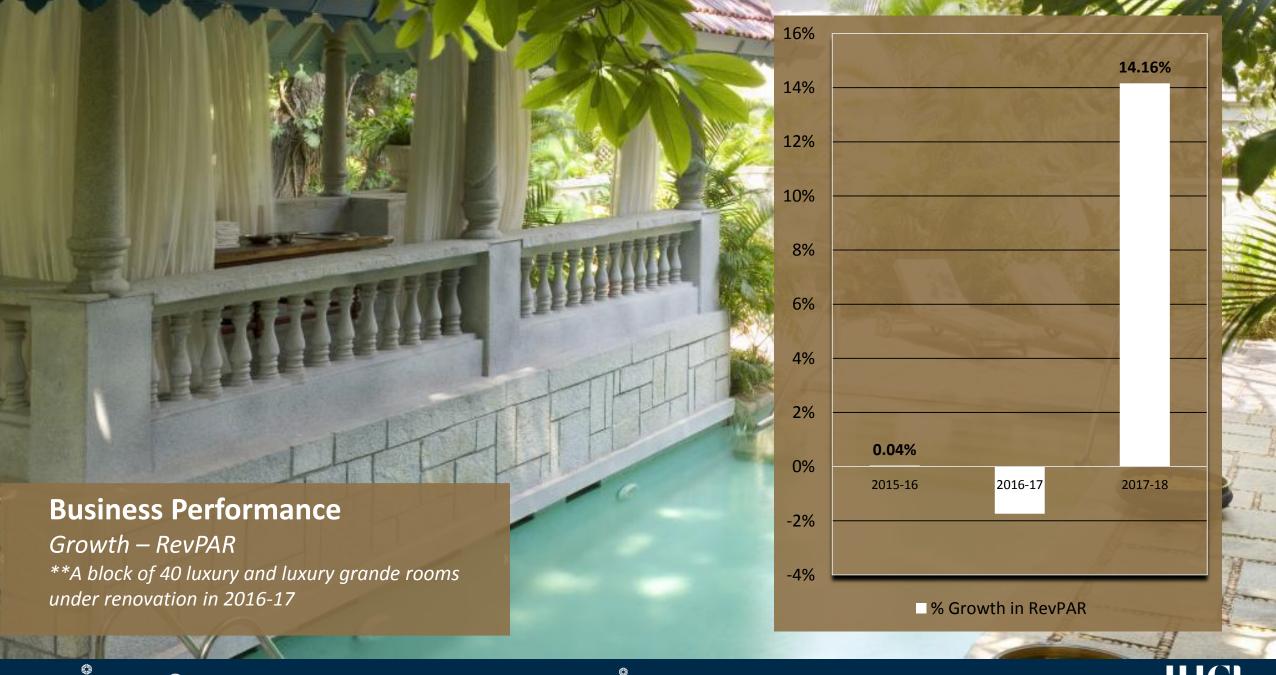














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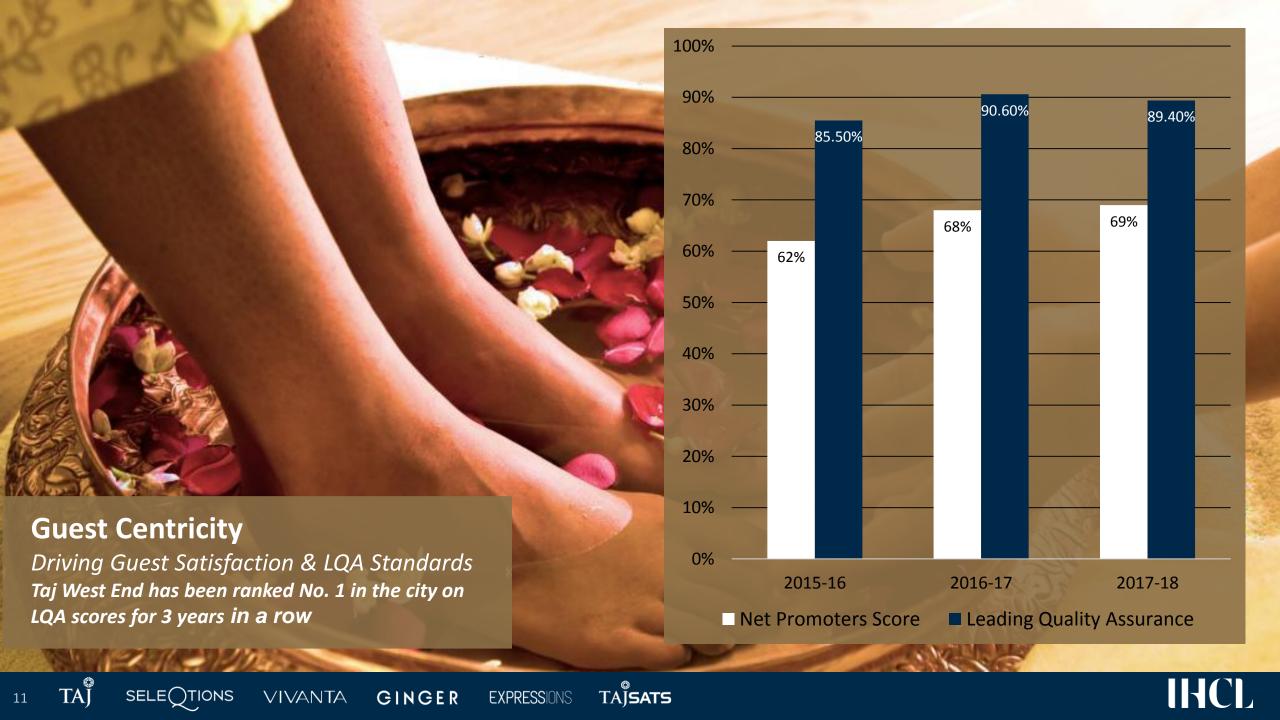
Guest Centricity

Taj West End has played host to visiting dignitaries from the globe including British Prime Minister Theresa May, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, President of Germany Joachim Gauk and the President of Portugal António Costa





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EXPRESSIONS





Quality Control Programmes

Regional **Business** Excellence Managers

Custodians of overall brand guidelines & organizational processes

Hygiene Management

Maintenance/upgradation of sanitation and hygiene standards

Process **Improvement** Teams (PITs)

Ensure enhancement of processes and service designs across departments

FCS

Addressing service requests within the stipulated timeframe Third-party **Audits**

Diversey International for Hygiene Audits, Earth Check for Sustainability Audits and **DVN GL for Fire & Safety Audits** of the hotel

Safety Council

Analyses and reviews actions of the safety committee

Personal Implications

Dedicated weekly meetings to drive business excellence through brainstorming sessions and deep-diving into complaint stratification

Bi-weekly walk-throughs and weekly trackers addressing recurring concerns for compliance

Personally partake in all PITs for hands-on understanding of deviations & contribution towards problem resolution

Daily tracking and monthly trend analysis with all stakeholders

Leading the Good to Great Taskforce- bi-Annual interhotel audit comprising domain experts from various hotels across IHCL to study best practices and strengthen OFIs

Presides over monthly meetings of the council, prioritizes and allots CAPEX to ensure a safe environment for all stakeholders

Guest Centricity

Quality Control Programmes & Personal Implications











Staff Management

Tools for Increased Motivation & Satisfaction





Special Thanks And Recognition System



Merit Increase Exercise



People Engagement













 Fairness with all stakeholders • Transparency in what we do

• Free Flow of Information

Alignment of all stakeholders

Awareness

Trust

• Enhance awareness about plans, strategies, tactics and processes

• Work together to create greater enterprise value

• Participative in our decision making

Joy

• Derive joy and happiness from what we do and how we do it

• Serve all stakeholders with utmost joy and dedication

• Share our success with all stakeholders

Staff Management Corporate Vision



Marketing & Communication

Actions & Campaigns



12-month strategic GDS Campaign showcasing Differentiators with ROI of 1:8



Pay Per Click campaign across source markets with **ROI of 1:8**







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Hugely successful Social Media Campaigns promoting Staycations













Marketing & Communication
Creating Signature Experiences











- Adoption of Munshi Ghats (banks of River Ganges), turning it into a model ghat
- Organising picnics & yoga classes for the underprivileged on the ghats
- Creating sustainable livelihoods in horticulture and other suitable departments at the hotel

Devastating floods and landslides affected Coorg, a hill station in Karnataka in August 2018

- Evacuation and relocation of guests and hotel staff at Taj Madikeri Spa and Resort, Coorg
- Relief work for residents of Coorg
- Over 200 families & 500 individuals in relief camps benefitted















- Golden Threshold Programme: A three year hotel management programme, which in its very first year saw great success with 22 enrolments.
- Hunar Se Rozgar: An initiative wherein underprivileged children are trained in Food Production & Housekeeping. The programme has benefitted over 85 students in the past year.
- Adopted ITI, Chennarayapatna, setting-up the infrastructure for advanced training in Food Production. A total of 168 youth have been trained under the Modular Employable Skills Program.
- Art for Charity: Associated with reputed organizations such as Rotary Club and Art for Concern to host art shows. Proceeds from the sale of art are used to improve lives of under privileged children in different parts of the country.
- Transplanting trees for BBMP (a local government body) to preserve Bengaluru's ecological heritage

- Skal International
- Federation of Hotels & Restaurants Association of India
- Hotel Association of India
- South India Hotels & Restaurants Association
- Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- Bangalore Chambers of Industries and Commerce

Professional Associations *Memberships & Affiliations*





EXPRESSIONS

- National Tourism Award in October 2017 Best Hotel under 5 Star Deluxe Category
- Accolades at the South Asian Travel Awards 2018, held at Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai
 - South Asia's Leading Heritage Hotel / Palace
 - South India's Leading Heritage Hotel / Palace
 - South Asia's Leading Luxury Hotel / Resort
 - Leading Luxury Hotel/ Resort, South India
- FHRAI Awards Environment Champion of the year Award 2017 & 2018
- Accolades at the **South Asian Travel Awards 2017**, held at Addu City, Maldives
 - South Asia's Leading Heritage Hotel / Palace
 - South Asia's Leading City Hotel
 - South India's Leading Heritage Hotel / Palace
 - South India's Leading City Hotel
 - Leading Luxury Hotel/ Resort, South India
- FKCCI Best Hotel (Luxury) from Karnataka Tourism Awards 2016
- Conde Nast Traveller's US Readers' Choice Awards List- Taj West End among Top 20 Hotels in India & the Himalayas: Reader's Choice Awards 2015
- Earth Check Gold Certification Since 2009

Awards & Accolades

