

INDIAN HOTEL INDUSTRY

Monthly Update

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Agenda













Highlights



Industry on an upward swing; expected to return to pre-Covid levels in FY2023



■ ICRA estimates pan-India premium hotel occupancy to be ~56-58% in Q1 FY2023. Pan-India premium hotel ARR stood at ~Rs. 4,600 – 4,800 in Q1 FY2023 and was only at a 16-18% discount to pre-Covid levels. However, a few high-end hotels and leisure destinations witnessed ARRs spike to higher than pre-Covid levels in the last few months.



• The demand recovery has been sharper than expected, and was aided by leisure, transient passengers, MICE/weddings and gradual pickup in business/diplomat travel and foreign tourist arrivals (FTAs). Some cities also witnessed traffic from specific events like the IPL.



 Commercial International flights have opened since March 27, 2022. Although FTAs have been reasonably healthy in Q1 FY2023, FTA recovery to pre-Covid levels could be a few months away and domestic tourism will be the prime demand driver.



 ICRA has a Stable outlook on the Indian hotel industry since March 2022, following the swift demand recovery and the expectation that the industry revenues and margins would reach pre-Covid levels by FY2023. About 55% of ICRA's ratings are on stable outlook currently.



 ICRA expects equity fund-raising/asset monetisation to support capital structure improvement for the industry players going forward. Debt metrics are expected to return to pre-Covid levels in FY2023, while RoCE is expected to remain sub cost of the capital, at least for the next few years.





















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