

## **INDIAN HOTEL INDUSTRY**

**Monthly Update** 

**JULY 2022** 



## **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 4M FY2023. Pan-India premium hotel ARR stood at ~Rs. 4,600 – 4,800 in 4M FY2023 and was only at a 14-16% discount to pre-Covid levels. A few high-end hotels and leisure destinations witnessed ARR spike to higher than pre-Covid levels in the last few months. Further, Q2 FY2023 demand outlook is optimistic.



■ The demand recovery has been sharper than expected, and was aided by leisure, transient passengers, MICE/weddings and gradual pick-up in business/diplomat travel and foreign tourist arrivals (FTAs).



Commercial International flights have opened since March 27, 2022. Although FTAs have been reasonably healthy in 4M 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 77% 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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