



Hotel Association of India (HAI) meets Secretary, Government of India

New Delhi, 26 May 2026: The Hotel Association of India (HAI), the apex body of the Indian hospitality industry, met with Bhuvnesh Kumar, Secretary, Tourism, Government of India. Bhuvnesh Kumar a 1995-batch IAS officer of the Uttar Pradesh cadre recently assumed charge in the ministry.

HAI team introduced the Association to him and extended a formal invitation to him to address a valedictorian session at the upcoming edition of its signature event. The 7th HAI Hoteliers' Conclave is scheduled to be held on the 18th of September at Taj Palace New Delhi.

The HAI delegation was led by the President K.B. Kachru, Chairman – South Asia, Radisson Hotel Group and included M.P. Bezbaruah, Secretary General, Rohit Khosla, Vice President & Conclave Convener and Executive Vice President (Operations), The Indian Hotels Company Limited; and Charulata Sukhija, Deputy Secretary General.

During the meeting, extensive discussions were held on key issues impacting tourism particularly the hotel sector, with a strong emphasis on strengthening collaboration between the government and industry to drive the industry's growth and development. The dialogue focused on creating a framework for joint ownership and collective decision-making to foster a more meaningful public-private partnership, while also exploring ways to reimagine a collaborative "Incredible India" campaign. Greater industry participation and shared responsibility was the key theme of the dialogue. Both sides exchanged views on addressing sectoral priorities, enhancing coordination, and unlocking new opportunities for sustainable and long-term tourism growth.

HAI looks forward to frequent and regular interactions with the Secretary and is committed to working together with the government in realising the India Tourism Vision 2047, navigating through this period of uncertainty and instability caused by the talks embargoed in the West Asia Conflict.