

## JAITLEY'S BUDGET REKINDLES HOPE IN INDIA'S STORY

FINANCE MINISTER ARUN JAITLEY PRESENTED AN INCLUSIVE AND GROWTH-ORIENTED BUDGET FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2017-18. THE UNION BUDGET 2017-18 REKINDLES HOPES IN INDIA'S GROWTH STORY AND AIMS TO REVIVE THE ECONOMY AND SPENDING POST DEMONETIZATION THAT SLOWED DOWN THE ECONOMY. THE BUDGET ALSO HAS SOME GOOD NEWS FOR TOURISM INDUSTRY.

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# Della Adventure Resort and Spa: an exclusive address

Della offers 5 exceptional experiences across its property, namely Adventure theme park with a luxury resort, camp stay, luxury villas, a wedding destination and banquets for corporate or personal events.

Della Adventure Resort and Spa is the only resort to offer an unheard indulgence of having a 24-hr functioning high-end Spa and Salon, Pool and Fitness Centre, Fudge and Chiki store, along with Round-the-Clock In-Room Dining." Jimmy Mistry, Principal Designer & MD at Della Group, informed that the group are currently expanding the number of villas, banquet halls, resort rooms and suites to accommodate the growing numbers of visitors.

Speaking about the USP of Della Adventure Resort and Spa, Mistry said, "Our adventure park is our best attraction, and while it might be popular with groups of friends or families for a day-visit or weekend getaway, it also a highly preferred MICE destination. We have about 29 team building activities which are far moved from the routine table-chair-sticks set up. They are hard-core infrastructures like obstacle courses designed on the line of the Swiss alps, a paintball match setup, zip lines, group cycling and much more." Unlike standard adventure parks and MICE destinations where food is of secondary importance, we ensure that people also have a memorable gastronomic experience, and focus on hospitality as well as F&B, said Mistry. Fine cigars, nitrogen ice cream, nuclear bhel, choicest cocktails, are some of the elements which make their F&B experiences an unforgettable affair.

The resort's signature Villas offer people a fully-equipped luxury second home. Those who own these villas have access to all the facilities on the resort, making convenience the key word here. The villas can also be maintained by the group for an additional fee, so they can drop in whenever they wish to and all their needs will be taken care of.

## Excerpts from Jimmy Mistry's Q&A:

**Q** What are the key adventure activities to experience at the property?

We take pride in being India's largest adventure park and offer over 70 activities of



Jimmy Mistry  
Principal Designer & MD at Della Group

different difficulty levels. We have divided the park into different zones based on the type of activities. The plethora of activities featured here cater to people across all age

groups. Be it families, groups of friends, couples, or the large number of corporate groups which come to experience our facility each year, we make sure there is something for everyone.

The adventure junkies can get their adrenaline dose with our exclusive activities like a 150 feet high bungee jump, 100 feet high swoop swing, India's longest Flying Fox of 1250 feet, landing zorbing, aqua zorbing, zip-lining Motocross dirt bike and such. We also offer rock climbing, paintball, buggy ride, mountain cycling, horse riding, shooting, archery, swimming and other such group activities as well.

**Q** Tell us about the spa and wellness facilities at the property.

We believe that the best time to pamper yourself is exactly when you feel like doing so. And so we have offer a surreal experience in the form of the 24-hour functioning Della Spa, Salon, Swimming Pool and Fitness Centre. The fully equipped spa and salon leaves the patron spoilt for choice with its wide range of invigorating treatments like Signature, Wellness and Express Therapies. It is an international standard spa with 7 Treatments Suites in-







clusive of 4 Couple Suites. Patrons can avail of Aromatherapy with pure essential oils across a host of services like head massages, tissue relaxing body massage, foot rituals and such. We offer Swedish, Balinese, Hot-stone, Foot Reflexology and a host of other therapies from around the world.

**Q What is special about your F&B facilities?**

We pay a great deal of attention to our

hospitality and P&B services. Design thinking plays a role here too, with us creating a menu that's varied, authentic to the cuisine and as pleasing to the eye as it is to the palette. Our range of restaurants is as diverse as the patron who visit us. The fine-dine PNF Restaurant and Bar, features the best of Indian, Oriental and authentic Malvani fare and is complemented by a fully equipped bar with a unique equestrian touch. One can relish authentic Parsi delicacies and robust Punjabi fare in an

open air setting at the Parsi Dhaba, while the adjacent Sports Bar is perfect for a family fun-time with games and popular street foods for company.

Lovers of vegetarian foods can indulge their taste buds with Gujarati cuisine and other Indian cuisine at the avant garde restaurant overlooking the golf course. The jewel in the crown of cluster of restaurants is Café 24, which offers round-the-clock fine dining, with its innovative multi-cuisine menu and comprehensive gourmet selection with an eclectic experience. Our extremely unique Fudge and Chiki store offers a range of cakes, cookies and breads, chikkis and liquor fudge, all prepared in-house.

**Q What are the attractions to explore around the area?**

We are located in the hilly, scenic destination of Lonavla, which itself is a popular tourist destination. And our property itself is so large and offers so many diverse experiences that it is certainly one of the biggest attractions here. Apart from that, there are a few local sights like the Bushi Dam, Kalra caves, Lohagad fort etc. by TMH DESK

## VIRGIN ATLANTIC AND FLYBE ANNOUNCE NEW CODESHARE FLIGHTS TO SCOTLAND



• Virgin Atlantic and Flybe have extended their codeshare agreement on flights to Scotland

• Virgin Atlantic flights from Delhi will seamlessly connect to Edinburgh or Aberdeen via London Heathrow

• The new flights are now on sale at [virginatlantic.com](http://virginatlantic.com) for travel from 20th March

Travellers in India can now book flights with Virgin Atlantic to Scotland - thanks to closer cooperation with Europe's leading regional airline, Flybe.

From today customers will be able to book tickets to travel from Delhi with Virgin Atlantic, and connect onto Flybe

flights at London Heathrow to Aberdeen or Edinburgh. Scotland is one of the most iconic locations in the UK - famous for the scenic Highlands, cultural festivals, Whisky tasting, and the mythical Loch Ness Monster.

The new flights are available for travel from 26th March and will allow customers to seamlessly connect between Virgin Atlantic and Flybe.

Tickets are now on sale at [www.virginatlantic.com](http://www.virginatlantic.com):

• Delhi to Aberdeen from INR 70225 return

• Delhi to Edinburgh from INR 70320 return

Nick J Parker, Head of Middle East, Africa and India (MEA) for Virgin Atlantic commented: "Our partnership with Flybe will help bring beautiful Scotland a little closer to Delhi thanks to new daily connections via London Heathrow. From 26th March customers can fly to London Heathrow with Virgin Atlantic and transfer seamlessly onto their Flybe flight to Edinburgh or Aberdeen to explore Scotland's famous scenery, history and culinary delights."

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