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THE INDIA 2027

TOURISM & HOSPITALITY EXCELLENCE SUMMIT & AWARDS

Sustainable Tourism, Economic Growth, Investment & Global Leadership

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India's tourism and hospitality sector presents significant opportunities for economic growth, investment, entrepreneurship, employment generation and international engagement. The country's diverse tourism assets include cultural and heritage destinations, spiritual circuits, wildlife, coastal experiences, wellness, medical tourism, culinary traditions, luxury hospitality and business travel.

At the same time, the sector is evolving in response to changing traveller expectations, digital transformation, artificial intelligence, sustainability requirements, emerging investment models and the growing importance of high-quality visitor experiences.

Realising India's tourism potential requires stronger collaboration among government institutions, tourism boards, hospitality businesses, investors, technology providers, startups, travel companies and skill-development institutions.

Against this backdrop, the Knowledge Chamber of Commerce and Industry proposes to organise THE India 2027 - Tourism & Hospitality Excellence Summit and Awards in January 2027.

The annual initiative will serve as a national business and leadership platform to encourage industry dialogue, facilitate investment, showcase innovation, strengthen public-private partnerships and recognise outstanding contributions to India's tourism and hospitality ecosystem.

Sustainable Tourism

Emphasises responsible travel, environmental stewardship and heritage preservation.

Economic Growth

Connects tourism with employment, entrepreneurship, MSMEs and regional development.

Investment

Appeals to hotel chains, resort developers, investors and tourism infrastructure companies.

Global Leadership

Creates an international outlook & encourages participation from global tourism and hospitality stakeholders.

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VISION

To establish **THE India** as a recognised national platform connecting India's tourism and hospitality ecosystem with investment, innovation, global partnerships and sustainable economic development.

OBJECTIVES

The summit will aim to :

- Promote India as a competitive destination for domestic and international tourism.
- Facilitate investment opportunities in hotels, resorts, tourism infrastructure and emerging destinations.
- Encourage collaboration between central and state governments, industry leaders and private investors.
- Showcase innovative business models, travel technology, AI-enabled hospitality and sustainable tourism solutions.
- Support tourism startups, MSMEs, entrepreneurs and emerging hospitality brands.
- Strengthen destination branding, inbound tourism and international industry partnerships.
- Encourage skill development, service excellence, accessibility and responsible tourism.
- Recognise outstanding organisations, destinations, professionals and innovators through THE India Awards.

SPECIAL FEATURES - THE INDIA 2027

Tourism Investment & Partnership Desk

Invite tourism departments, hotel developers, investors, banks and project owners to schedule short one-to-one meetings.

Tourism & Hospitality Startup Showcase

Selected 8–10 startups working on AI, travel-tech, hotel operations, destination experiences, sustainable tourism and hospitality services

India Tourism Leadership & Networking Reception

hosted a curated networking lunch session for invited policymakers, hotel CEOs, tourism boards, international travel companies and award recipients.

"DIPLOMATS' MEETS"; NETWORKING RECEPTION FOR DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS

As you must be aware, India today has presence of over 150 Overseas Diplomatic Missions. With the support of these diplomatic missions, India has been pursuing its bilateral economic engagement successfully.

We are happy to share that Knowledge Chamber of Commerce & Industry will host the "DIPLOMAT'S MEET" "Networking Lunch with Overseas Diplomatic Missions in India" at THE INDIA 2027 Platform.

It would also serve as a unique event for meeting the key Embassy officials and getting an opportunity to interact with them in addition to meeting the other prominent dignitaries.

The format will be a networking Lunch and THE INDIA AWARDS.
This Diplomatic Meet will also provide an opportunity to discuss & explore the mission of the India program – **THE INDIA 2027.**

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SPECIAL FEATURES - THE INDIA 2027

Publication / Research Report

Release of Research Report / Publication: "THE India Tourism & Hospitality 2027".

THE India 2027 - Theme Fashion Show

One Nation, Many Cultures, Endless Style Celebrates India's rich cultural heritage, vibrant traditions, and evolving fashion landscape. The show will bring together diverse regional attires, traditional textiles, exquisite craftsmanship, and contemporary designer creations on one spectacular runway. It will showcase the beauty of India's cultural diversity while blending timeless traditions with modern elegance. Through fashion, the event aims to promote Indian craftsmanship, empower designers, and present India's unique cultural identity to the world.

THE India 2027 Awards

The awards should recognise genuine excellence and to recognise State, Organisations and Individuals in Tourism & Hospitality Sector.

THE India 2027 BUSINESS BOX

Business Boxes is all about creating meaningful connections between partners and participants (B2B & B2G) of The India @2047.

THE India 2027 PLEDGE

Pledged to transform India into a developed country by the centenary of India's independence in 2047.

INDIA'S NEXT TOURISM INVESTMENT WAVE: HOTELS, DESTINATIONS & INFRASTRUCTURE

Focus : Investment, policy and destination development

PREAMBLE

India's tourism potential extends beyond traditional sightseeing. Emerging destinations, heritage properties, religious circuits, coastal tourism, wellness retreats and premium leisure experiences create opportunities for investors and businesses. However, unlocking this potential requires quality infrastructure, bankable projects, effective public-private partnerships and investor-friendly policies.
This session will explore how India can attract domestic and international capital into tourism infrastructure, expand quality accommodation beyond established destinations, and develop commercially viable destinations while preserving their local character.

DISCUSSION POINTS

- Investment opportunities in hotels, resorts, homestays, convention centres and integrated destinations.
- Public-private partnerships and state tourism investment policies.
- Heritage tourism, spiritual circuits, coastal destinations and emerging destinations.
- Land, approvals, financing, infrastructure and project viability.
- Gujarat's opportunities in heritage, coastal, business, wellness and event-led tourism.

PANELLIST:

- Ministry of Tourism and state tourism department representatives.
- Hotel owners, developers and hospitality groups.
- Real estate and infrastructure investors, banks and private equity representatives.
- Tourism project consultants, architects and destination management companies.

PROPOSED OUTCOME :

A tourism investment opportunity showcase, including a shortlist of projects or destinations for follow-up discussions with investors.

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SMART HOSPITALITY 2030: AI, SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS, TALENT & THE FUTURE OF TRAVEL

Focus: Technology, profitability and future readiness

PREAMBLE

The tourism and hospitality industry is undergoing a significant transformation driven by artificial intelligence, digital distribution, changing customer expectations, rising operating costs and the need for more sustainable business models. Hotels and travel businesses must improve productivity, personalise guest services, develop skilled talent and reduce environmental impact without compromising the visitor experience.
This session will bring technology providers, hospitality leaders, startups and training institutions together to discuss practical solutions that businesses can adopt to remain competitive in the coming decade.

SUGGESTED DISCUSSION POINTS

- AI-powered travel planning, revenue management and guest personalisation.
- Digital payments, smart hotel operations, automation and cybersecurity.
- Energy efficiency, water conservation, waste reduction and sustainable procurement.
- Hospitality workforce development, vocational training and women-led enterprises.
- Startup solutions for hotels, restaurants, travel operators and destination management.

WHO SHOULD BE INVITED

- Hotel CEOs, COOs, general managers and technology heads.
- Hospitality technology companies, AI startups and travel-tech platforms.
- Hospitality schools, skill-development organisations and HR leaders.
- Sustainability experts, energy-service companies and industry consultants.

PROPOSED OUTCOME :

A Smart Hospitality Adoption Charter highlighting practical priorities for technology adoption, workforce readiness and sustainable operations.

Session Ideal format	What makes it attractive
Panel-1 Investment dialogue + project showcase	Access to projects, investors and government representatives
Panel-2 CEO roundtable + live technology demonstrations	Practical business solutions and productivity gains



PROGRAM FLOW

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09:30 AM
Registration & networking
Delegate registration, exhibition displays and introductory meetings.
Hi-Tea Networking reception & partnership meetings
Sponsor engagement, media interactions

10:00 AM
Inaugural session
Welcome address by KCCI, Chief guest address, keynote and summit theme presentation.

11:00 AM
Panel 1 - Investment & infrastructure
Tourism investment dialogue and project showcase.

12:00 PM
Panel 2 - Smart hospitality & innovation
AI, sustainability, skills and pitches

01:00 PM
Networking lunch

02:00 PM
ROUND TABLE DIALOGUE
Curated introductions and business meetings.

03:00 PM
THE India 2027 - Theme Fashion Show & Awards
One Nation, Many Cultures, Endless Style

04:00 PM
THE India 2027 - Awards
Recognition of outstanding organisations, States, destinations, startups and leaders.

05:00 PM onwards
Vote of Thanks and follow-up discussions.

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Category A – Tourism & Destination Excellence

- Best State Tourism Initiative of the Year
- Best Emerging Tourism Destination in India
- Excellence in Heritage and Cultural Tourism
- Excellence in Spiritual and Pilgrimage Tourism
- Excellence in Sustainable and Responsible Tourism
- Excellence in Wellness and Medical Tourism

Category B – Hospitality Excellence

- Hotel Group of the Year
- Luxury Hotel or Resort of the Year
- Best Boutique Hotel or Heritage Property
- Excellence in Guest Experience and Service Quality
- Excellence in Food, Culinary and Hospitality Experiences
- Best Emerging Hospitality Brand

Category C – Innovation & Future Readiness

- Tourism Technology Innovation of the Year
- AI and Digital Transformation in Hospitality
- Sustainable Hotel Operations Initiative
- Emerging Travel-Tech Startup of the Year
- Excellence in Hospitality Skill Development
- Women Leadership in Tourism and Hospitality

Category D – Leadership & National Contribution

- Tourism & Hospitality Leader of the Year
- Lifetime Contribution to Indian Tourism
- Excellence in Tourism Investment and Development
- Excellence in International Tourism Promotion
- Emerging Leader in Tourism and Hospitality

DELEGATION REGISTRATION, PARTNERSHIPS & INQUIRIES

For bilateral government engagements, B2B roundtable allocations, high-stake partnerships, and delegate registrations, connect directly with the Summit Secretariat:

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