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The Hon'ble Minister of Urban Development
Government of India
Nirman Bhavan
New Delhi-110011

Kind attention: Shri Kamal Nath

Subject: Review of Master Plan for Delhi 2021 with reference to International Convention Centres in the NCT of Delhi.

Respected Sir,

The Federation of Hotel & Restaurant Associations of India (FHRAI) would once again take this opportunity to convey its sincerest thanks to your goodself for the patient and sympathetic hearing that you have been kind enough to extend to FHRAI representatives whenever they have called upon yourself to bring to your kind notice the problems faced by hotels in the NCT of Delhi, and more recently our suggestions for modifications in the MPD -2021 in response to the Public Notice issued by the Ministry of Urban Development on 18.2.2012 regarding review of the Master Plan for Delhi 2021. In this connection, our following letters refer:-

- (i) Letter dated 27th April, 2012 addressed to your goodself requesting relaxation of parking norms for hotels in the NCT of Delhi.
- (ii) Letter dated 19th March, 2012 addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India requesting enhancement of FAR for hotels in the NCT of Delhi from 225 to 300 and for relaxation of parking norms for hotels in the NCT of Delhi; and
- (iii) Letter dated 19th January, 2012 addressed to DDA requesting enhancement of FAR for hotels in the NCT of Delhi and other related issues.

Sir, further to our suggestions made in our above letters we would like to submit that one of the fastest growing segments of the tourism industry in the world is the "Meetings, Incentives, Conferences and Exhibitions" called MICE tourism. Recognizing its importance the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has set up the India Convention Promotion Bureau to promote this segment and the success of this Bureau depends entirely upon the availability of adequate Convention and Exhibition facilities in the country, which at present are woefully lacking. Simultaneously, it has also framed "Guidelines for approval of Convention Centres". A copy of these guidelines is enclosed for reference.

Secretary UD

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It will kindly be seen that as per these guidelines, residential accommodation for delegates/participants in the form of star category hotels forms part of a Convention Centre. However, it is seen from Table 13.27 "Socio-Cultural and Community Facilities" of MPD-2021 that the activities permitted in International Convention Centre do not include hotels.

As per this Table, the activities permitted in an International Convention Centre are as under:-

"international convention centre, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sq. mtrs), residential flat (for maintenance staff), restaurant, bank, post & telegraph office, library and exhibition centre".

Sir, it will be pertinent to mention here that internationally, hotel accommodation forms an integral part of a Convention Centre. This is to ensure that, as far as possible, the delegates attending Conferences, Convention and Exhibitions, and other participants find it easy to walk from their respective hotels in the Convention and Exhibition Centre Complex itself instead of staying at other Hotels to which they have to commute.

In view of this position, we request that hotels may also be included in the activities permitted in an International Convention Centre, a use premise which falls under the "Socio-Cultural and Community Facilities" in Table 13.27 of the MPD 2021. The hotel(s) so permitted will form part and parcel of the Convention Centre planned and constructed on a common podium.

We would further like to submit that the 'Development Controls' for Convention and Exhibition Centres and Convention Hotels may also be revised as under:

- (1) Ground Coverage from 30% to 40%
- (2) FAR from 120 to 300
- (3) Parking Standards from 2 ECS to 1.67 ECS per 100 sq. mtrs. of floor area.
- (4) Other Control:
 - (i) Additional 10% ground coverage for atrium of which 25% shall be counted towards FAR.
 - (ii) 20% of the FAR may be used for commercial purposes, as permitted in hotels.

Sir, the FHRAI shall ever remain grateful to your goodself for a favourable and sympathetic consideration of our above suggestions, if the same is agreed to and the modifications in MPD 2021 carried out, then New Delhi could have a World Class Convention and Exhibition Centre with Convention Hotel which could be utilized by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and the Prime Minister's office to host G-15 meetings in which Heads of Governments are invited to participate.

It is indeed a said fact that our Hon'ble Prime Minister is invited by various countries in the G-15 to their Meetings held in their countries but India is unable to host such an event in New Delhi because of the lack of such a comprehensive facility.

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Sir, your vision and well-known dynamism would help the Tourism industry achieve the long avowed objective of the Government of India to build a world-renowned Convention and Exhibition Centre with Convention Hotel which would truly put us in the comity of the G-15 countries of the world.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For Federation of Hotel & Restaurant Associations of India

s/d-

M.D. Kapoor
Secretary General

- Encl: 1. Letter dated 27th April, 2012
2. Letter dated 19th March, 2012
3. Letter dated 19th January, 2012
4. Ministry of Tourism, Government of India – Guidelines for approval of Convention Centres

Annexure "Z"
Annexure "X"
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Annexure "Y"

Table 13.26: Distributive Services

S. No.	Use Premises	Definitions	Activities Permitted
1.	Milk Booth/Milk and Fruit & Vegetable Booth/Delhi Milk Supply Booth	A premise with basic facility for the supply of daily groceries to the local population.	Booth/ built structure for display and sale of dairy products/ fruits and vegetables etc.
2.	Dairy Farm	A premise with facility for rearing and processing of dairy products. It may have temporary structures for sheds of animals.	Dairy farm, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.) All structures shall be temporary in nature.
3.	Poultry Farm	A premise with facility for rearing and processing of poultry products. It may have temporary structures for sheds of birds.	Poultry farm, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.) All structures shall be temporary in nature.
4.	Piggery	A premise with facility for rearing and processing of piggery products. It may have temporary structures for sheds of pigs.	Piggery shed, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.) All structures shall be temporary in nature.
5.	LPG godown including booking office	A premise for the booking, storing and supply of LPG to local population.	Booking office, store/ godown, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.)
6.	SKO/LDO outlets	A premise with facility of retail storage of SKO/LDO for supply to local population.	Booking office, store/ godown, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.)
7.	Gas godown	A premise having the facility of wholesale storage of LPG, godown, etc.	Gas godown, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.) Care taker office.

Table 13.27: Socio-Cultural and Community Facilities

S. No.	Use Premises	Definitions	Activities Permitted
1.	Multipurpose Community Hall, Bara ghar	A premise having an enclosed space for various social and cultural activities.	Community Hall, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.) Soft Drink and Snack Stall and library etc.
2.	Music Dance and Drama Training Centre	A premise having facilities for imparting training and coaching for music, dance and dramatics.	Music, dance and drama training centre, watch and ward residence (up to 20 sq m.), canteen, auditorium.
3.	Yoga Meditation, Spiritual and Religious Discourse Centre	A premise having facilities for self attainment, achieving higher quality of mind and body, spiritual and religious discourse etc.	Yoga centre, meditation, spiritual and religious discourse centrr, watch and ward residence (up to 20 sq mt), hostel, soft drink and snack stall.
4.	Recreational Club	A premise having the facility for recreation with indoor sports, swimming pool, outdoor sports, socializing and gathering space for small functions with restaurant.	Recreational club, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.) Residential Component upto 15% total floor area subject to maximum of 300 sqm., library, swimming pool, indoor and outdoor games facilities club.
5.	Banquet Hall	A premise to hold small public gatherings, community functions, marriages, etc.	Hall for public gatherings, marriages, cooking facilities and other logistics.
6.	Open air theater	A premise having facilities for audience seating and a stage for performance and open to sky.	Open Air theatre, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.) canteen.

7.	Auditorium	A premise having an enclosed space to seat audience and stage for various performances like concerts, play, recitals, functions etc.	Auditorium, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.) canteen.
8.	Museum	A premise with facilities for storage and exhibition (of objects illustrating antiques, natural history, art etc.	Museum, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.) canteen.
9.	Exhibition-cum-Fair Ground	A premise having facilities for the exhibition and display and other cultural activities for a group of participants.	Fair Ground, Residential Flat (for maintenance staff) Exhibition Centre (Temporary in nature) Restaurant, Soft Drink & snack Stall, Police Post, Fire Post, bank Extension counter facility, Post Office counter facility.
10.	Museum, exhibition centre and art gallery, auditorium and open air theatre	Combination of Museum, exhibition centre and art gallery, auditorium and open air theatre.	Museum, Exhibition Centre and Art Gallery Auditorium and Open Air theatre, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.)
11.	Cultural and Information Centre	A premise with facility for cultural and information services for an institution, state, and country.	Cultural and Information Centre, Watch & Ward Residence (up to 20 sqm.) Hostel, Canteen, Bank Extension Counter Facility, Auditorium (Up to 500 seating capacity) Library, Exhibition and Art Gallery.
12.	Social and Cultural Institute	A premise with facilities for activities of socio-cultural nature run by a public, voluntary or individual on primarily non commercial basis.	Social and Cultural Institute, Watch & Ward Residence (upto 20 sqm.) Soft Drink & Snack Stall, Restaurant, Canteen, Bank Extension Counter Facility Auditorium, Library, Music, Dance, and Drama Training Centre, Museum, Exhibition Centre and Art Gallery.
13.	International Convention Centre	A premise having all facilities for international / national conferences, meetings, symposium etc..	International Convention Centre, watch and ward residence (up to 20 sq mt), residential flat (for maintenance staff), restaurant, bank, post and telegraph office, library, exhibition centre.
14.	Planetarium	A premise having the facility of watching and observing the sky and universe and information dissemination.	Planetarium, watch & ward residence (upto 20 sqm.), cafeteria.
15.	Rain Basera (Night Shelter)	A premise having the facility for providing the night accommodation to individuals without any charges or with token charges. It may run by local government or voluntary agencies.	Night Shelter and related facilities.
16.	Anganwari	Anganwari as a space provision at residential housing / neighbourhood level is a centre to provide service for children of 0 to 6 years age, pregnant women, feeding mothers, etc. under the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS).	Kitchen, Toilet & Hall.
17.	Dharamshala and its equivalent	A premise providing temporary accommodation for short duration	Dharmshala, personnel service shops of barber and launderer, soft drinks