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(Area State of Haryana)**

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**Meeting with Haryana CM Sahib on 20th
March, 2015**

On the representation to seek redressal on excise related issues related to the Hospitality Industry the Hon'ble Chief Minister Sh. Manohar Lal was kind enough to give us time on 21st March, 2015 at Haryana Bhawan, New Delhi.

The following were the members of the delegation:-

- i) Mr. Manbeer Choudhary, President, Hotel & Restaurant Association of Haryana (HRAH).
- ii) Mr. Nitesh Gandhi, GM, The Trident, Gurgaon. (Hony. Secy.-HRAH)
- iii) Mr. Michel Koopman, GM, The Leela, Gurgaon.
- iv) Mr. Rohit, Prop., Golden Dragon, Gurgaon.
- v) Mr. Raj Sehgal, Wet 'n' Wild, Gurgaon. (Sr. VP-HRAH)
- vi) Mrs. Roop Sodhi, Director Gurgaon Chapter (HRAH).
- vii) Mr. David Mathews, GM, The Oberoi, Gurgaon.
- viii) Mr. Neeraj, FC, The Oberoi, Gurgaon.
- ix) Mr. Gaurav, FC, The Trident, Gurgaon.

Above all Mr. Luv Malhotra, President, HRANI and MD of Hotel Surya, Delhi.

The delegation requested for relief on the following issues:

a) Lowering of Bar Licence Fee:

It requested the Hon'ble Chief Minister that the Bar Licence Fee may kindly be reduced to Rs.6.00 Lacs for the complete State.

b) No NEW levy of Assesment fee on Imported Liquor:

Being a New Fee, we requested CM Sahib to kindly cancel this from the Excise Policy 2015-16.

c) Reduction in Permit Fee on Imported Liquor:

The delegation requested the Hon'ble Chief Minister that the Permit Fee be kindly reduced from Rs.65/- per PL to Rs.30/- for Scotch, Whisky, Rum, Vodka, Gin, Brandy etc. and from Rs.20/- per BL to Rs.10/- per BL on Wine, Liqueur, Beer and Cider.

d) Reduction of Fee on Issue of 12A Licence for Functions etc.:



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The delegation requested to reduce this to Rs.2000/- per function.

Mr. Manbeer Choudhary, President, HRAH alongwith Mr. Nitesh Gandhi, GM, The Trident, Gurgaon and Hony. Secy. HRAH pleaded with Chief Minister to cancel the levy of NEW Assesment Fee on Imported Liquor. Mr. Choudhary highlighted that under the Forex earning of the Hotels, this incentive so given by the Government of India would become ineffective if such levy is imposed on imported liquor. Mr. Gandhi explained with the help of the chart

Mr. Michel Koopman and Mr. David Mathews stated that a normal Carona Beer would cost nearly 30 USD in a Hotel which is even more expensive than the cost of Beer in New York. He further highlighted that in case, the relief is not provided in this liquor policy it would adversely affect the Tourism Flow to State and also encourage bootlegging across the Delhi Border.

Mr. Rohit of Golden Dragon chain of Restaurants made a special appeal to Hon'ble Chief Minister for saving the small Restaurants and Pubs in NCR whose Business would be badly affected by such heavy Bar Licence Fee. He added that this would also encourage road side drinking in cars creating a law & order problem especially in Gurgaon and Faridabad.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister gave a very patient hearing to all the issues so raised by various members of the delegation. He also seemed very keen to extend all possible help to the Hospitality Industry and assured everyone present that he would soon get these four issues examined and provide relief to all.

He assured the delegation members that he is all for boosting Tourism in the State and would not like to lose revenue to Delhi. He said he would ensure that these issues were resolved to the satisfaction of the Hospitality Industry.


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