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Date: 19th July, 2018

To The Department of Corporate Services –CRD Bombay Stock Exchange Ltd P.J.Towers, Dalal Street MUMBAI – 400 001	To National Stock Exchange of India Limited 5th Floor, Exchange Plaza Bandra (E), MUMBAI – 400 051
Scrip Code: 509675/HIL **Through: Listing Centre**	**Scrip Symbol: HIL** **Through: NEAPS**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: News Paper publication – dispatch of Annual Report for the Year 2017-18.
Ref: Regulation 47 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 (Listing Regulations).

This is to inform you that the 71st Annual Report for the financial year 2017-18 was dispatched to the shareholders (Both physical & email) on 7th July, 2018 and also find enclosed copy of the newspaper clipping published on 10th July, 2018 (Business Standard – English and Surya – Telugu) with regard to the Notice of dispatch of Annual Report and as per provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder.

Also, please find enclosed 71st Annual Report for the year 2017-18 along with the Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held on 6th August, 2018 at 3:00 PM at Asbestos Center, Road No. 13, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana-500034.

Kindly take the same on record and do the needful.

Thanking you
For HIL LIMITED

HIL LIMITED GACHIBOWLI HYDERABAD - 500 032.

G. Manikandan
Company Secretary
& Financial Controller

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Date: 10.07.2018 HEAD (HRM) & CLO 24/18

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New Delhi, 9 July

The road to auction of Delhi's iconic five-star hotel Taj Mahal (popularly known as Taj Mansingh) has been a rough one for the capital's civic body, New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC). NDMC's second attempt to auction the property a month after the first failed move has attracted only two bids, one less than the minimum three required to take the auction process ahead.

Besides, Indian Hotels Company Ltd (IHCL), which is the current operator, tobacco to-FMCG- conglomerate ITC is learnt to have submitted bids on Monday.

NDMC, according to the tender conditions, would have conducted the auction on July 18 had it managed to get a minimum of three bids. The auction process for Taj Mansingh will have to be conducted again on a future date that will be decided by NDMC, said a person familiar with the developments. The tender rules said the auction process will be annulled in case the process attracts less than three bidders. Interestingly, NDMC last month successfully completed the auction process for two lesser-known and smaller properties in the capital – The Connaught and Hotel Asian International – also built on NDMC land.

On June 7, the first date for receipt of technical bids, NMDC had received only one bid for Taj Mansingh from IHCL, forcing it to suspend the process. It, however, decided to call for fresh bids using the same tender conditions and on Monday got two bids.

In spite of a relaxation in certain conditions in the second tender floated by NDMC in April, a number of hotel companies did not qualify.

Some said the responses to queries raised by prospective bidders in pre-bid meeting were not satisfactorily answered. Companies said the tender conditions were too 'restrictive'. Take the issue of bid security amount for instance. The tender said if a bidder is found to have failed to meet the eligibility conditions specified in the tender documents, the security amount shall be forfeited by NDMC as 'liquidity damages'. This bid security amount is ₹250 million.

Some companies also said the financial demands of NDMC from the winner was on the higher side.

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their potential. In some areas, tiger reserves no longer have tigers, and nature safaris can feel like crowded parking lots where there are more shutterbugs than subjects to shoot.

The other catch

Tourism in places such as Ladakh hinges on a pristine environmental image, but visitors produce thousands of pounds of trash each year. More than 30,000 plastic water bottles are dumped in open-air landfills in Ladakh each summer. On Mt. Everest, in neighbouring Nepal, there's an estimated 8 to 10 metric tonnes of everything from empty oxygen canisters to tents and even bodies on the mountain. Waste is a problem throughout the Himalayas, and much of it is made by domestic travellers. "The trash problem is a big concern, because our domestic tourism is a huge part of it," Dhillon says. BLOOMBERG

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