Taj group to open three hotels in Ayodhya, 2 to be ready by 2027

IHCL Announces 100-Room Vivanta, 120-Room Ginger

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New Delhi: Taj Hotels, India's largest hospitality group, is going to have at least three properties in Ayodhya which Prime Minister Modi and Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath are developing as a mega pilgrim city.

Taj's parent company, Indian Hotels Company Ltd (IHCL), on Friday announced signing of a 100-room upscale Vivanta and 120-room lean lux Ginger in the holy town which will open by 2027. It is learnt that a luxury brand Taj Mahal is also in the works for Ayod-



Since Ayodhya will attract lakhs of devotees, the work for providing infrastructure has begun by government and tourism biggies

hya. TOI had reported Taj will have multiple hotels in Ayodhya last March when IHCL Puneet Chhatwal had told this reporter: "There have been some preliminary negotiations.... Ayodhya would have space for both Taj (luxury) and Ginger (lean-lux or budget) initially. We are looking at multiple hotels in Ayodhya."

Now the signings have

'Selfie with Amrit Sarovar' drive today

In another initiative to ensure increased public participation and make people aware regarding environmental protection on World Earth Day, the Yogi Adityanath government has organised a 'Selfie with Amrit Sarovar' campaign. The programme will be held at about 10,000 Amrit Sarovars in the state. **P5**

begun by Taj for opening hotels in Ayodhya. The pilgrim city will get a bhavya Shri Ram Temple by January next year.

The Airports Authority of India had last December said the Maryada Purushottam Sri Ram Airport in Ayodhya will be ready by June 2023.

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