

# BENARES HOTELS LIMITED

CIN: L55101UP1971PLC003480

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February 9, 2023

## The Secretary

BSE Limited

Corporate Relationship Department,

1st Floor, New Trading Ring,

Rotunda Building, P.J Towers,

Dalal Street, Fort,

Mumbai – 400 001

**Scrip Code: 509438**

**Sub: Intimation for appointment of Additional Director (Non-Executive) on the Board of Directors of the Company under Regulation 30 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.**

Dear Sirs,

Pursuant to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, we hereby inform you that the Board of Directors have appointed **Mr. Beejal Desai (DIN: 03611725) as an Additional Director (Non-Executive) on the Board of the Company w.e.f. February 8, 2023**. His brief profile is attached as Annexure 1 in compliance of SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/CMD/4/2015.

None of the Directors of the Company are inter-se related to Mr. Beejal Desai. Further, this is to confirm that Mr. Beejal Desai is not debarred from holding the office of Non-Executive Director pursuant to any SEBI order or any such Authority/Regulator.

You are requested to kindly take the same on record.

Yours sincerely,

for **Benares Hotels Limited**

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**MAHAJAN** Date: 2023.02.09  
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**Vanika Mahajan**  
**Company Secretary**

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**Brief Profile of Mr. Beejal Desai**

Mr. Beejal Desai has over 37 years of rich, extensive & cross functional experience and specialises in the areas of Legal, Secretarial, Corporate Governance, Corporate Affairs, Compliance & Investor relations.

Mr. Desai has worked in leadership positions across diversified sectors including Hospitality, Pharmaceuticals, Forging, etc. He holds an LLB degree and is a fellow member of Institute of the Company Secretaries of India, besides attending Harvard leadership programme. He has pioneered digitisation of various legal & compliance projects within the organisation. He has won several National & International awards, notably Best Company Secretary – Leisure & Hospitality – Asia 2019 by Ethical Boardroom, London | Best Corporate Governance in India & Asia from Ethical Board, London for two consecutive years in a row in 2018 & 2019 respectively | Golden Peacock Award for Excellence in Corporate Governance – 2019 & 2022 by Institute of Directors, London | He was also conferred a certificate of excellence in Corporate Governance from Institute of the Company Secretaries of India in 2007 & 2022 in addition to Best All India Investor Relations Award 2017.