

JHL/SJ/2024/16 May 15, 2024

Mumbai - 400 051  Symbol: JUNIPER	Mumbai - 400 001  Scrip Code: 544129	
Bandra (East),	Dalal Street, Fort,	
Bandra Kurla Complex,	Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,	
Exchange Plaza,	Corporate Relationship Department	
National Stock Exchange of India Limited	BSE Limited,	

Subject: Disclosure under Regulation 32 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 - Monitoring Agency Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Pursuant to Regulation 32(6) of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, as amended, Regulation 41(4) of the SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018, we are enclosing herewith the Monitoring Agency Report dated May 15, 2024, issued by CARE Ratings Limited, Monitoring Agency, for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 in respect of utilisation of proceeds of the Initial Public Offer of the Juniper Hotels Limited ("Company").

This disclosure will also be hosted on the Company's website viz. <a href="www.juniperhotels.com">www.juniperhotels.com</a>.

This is for your information, record, and appropriate dissemination.

For Juniper Hotels Limited

Sandeep L. Joshi Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

Encl: a/a

# **Final Monitoring Agency Report**



No. CARE/HO/GEN/2024-25/1029

The Board of Directors Juniper Hotels Limited

Off Western Express Highway, Santacruz East, Mumbai – 400055 Maharashtra, India

May 15, 2024

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

# Monitoring Agency Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 - in relation to the IPO of Juniper Hotels Limited ("the Company")

We write in our capacity of Monitoring Agency for the Public Issue for the amount aggregating to Rs. 1800.00 crore of the Company and refer to our duties cast under 41 of the Securities & Exchange Board of India (Issue of Capital & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations.

In this connection, we are enclosing the Monitoring Agency Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, as per aforesaid SEBI Regulations and Monitoring Agency Agreement dated February 05, 2024.

Request you to kindly take the same on records.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully,

**Darshan Shah** 

**Assistant Director** 

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# **Final Monitoring Agency Report**



**Report of the Monitoring Agency** 

Name of the issuer: Juniper Hotels Limited

For quarter ended: March 31, 2024

Name of the Monitoring Agency: CARE Ratings Limited

(a) Deviation from the objects: Nil(b) Range of Deviation: Not applicable

**Declaration:** 

We declare that this report provides an objective view of the utilization of the issue proceeds in relation to the objects of the issue based on the information provided by the Issuer and information obtained from sources believed by it to be accurate and reliable. The MA does not perform an audit and undertakes no independent verification of any information/ certifications/ statements it receives. This Report is not intended to create any legally binding obligations on the MA which accepts no responsibility, whatsoever, for loss or damage from the use of the said information. The views and opinions expressed herein do not constitute the opinion of MA to deal in any security of the Issuer in any manner whatsoever. Nothing mentioned in this report is intended to or should be construed as creating a fiduciary relationship between the MA and any issuer or between the agency and any user of this report. The MA and its affiliates also do not act as an expert as defined under Section 2(38) of the Companies Act, 2013.

The MA or its affiliates may have credit rating or other commercial transactions with the entity to which the report pertains and may receive separate compensation for its ratings and certain credit related analyses. We confirm that there is no conflict of interest in such relationship/interest while monitoring and reporting the utilization of the issue proceeds by the issuer, or while undertaking credit rating or other commercial transactions with the entity.

We have submitted the report herewith in line with the format prescribed by SEBI, capturing our comments, where applicable. There are certain sections of the report under the title "Comments of the Board of Directors", that shall be captured by the Issuer's Management / Audit Committee of the Board of Directors subsequent to the MA submitting their report to the issuer and before dissemination of the report through stock exchanges. These sections have not been reviewed by the MA, and the MA takes no responsibility for such comments of the issuer's Management/Board.

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Signature:

Name of the Authorized Signatory: Darshan Shah

Designation of Authorized person/Signing Authority: Assistant Director

### 1) Issuer Details:

Name of the issuer : Juniper Hotels Limited

Name of the promoter : Arun Kumar Saraf, Saraf Hotels Limited, Two Seas Holdings Limited

Industry/sector to which it belongs : Hospitality

### 2) Issue Details

Issue Period : Opened on February 21, 2024, and closed on February 23, 2024

Type of issue (public/rights) : Initial Public Offer
Type of specified securities : Equity Shares
IPO Grading, if any : Not applicable

Issue size (in `crore) : Rs. 1800.00 crore (Note 1)

#### Note 1:

The company (JHL) had offered 5.00 crores Equity Shares under the initial public offer, at Rs. 360 per share (including share premium of Rs. 350 per share) aggregating to ₹1800.00 crore. The issue was oversubscribed by 2.18 times and the company has allotted 5.00.00.000 Equity Shares to the applicants.

Particulars	Remarks
Total shares issued and subscribed as part of IPO	5,00,00,000
Total subscriptions towards IPO (in Rs. crore)	1800.00
Details of expenses incurred related to issue (in Rs. crore)	66.914
Net Proceeds of IPO (Rs. crore)	1733.084

## 3) Details of the arrangement made to ensure the monitoring of issue proceeds:

Particulars	Particulars  Reply Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report		Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Comments of the Board of Directors
Whether all utilization is as per the disclosures in the Offer Document?	Yes	Chartered Accountant certificate*, prospectus, Bank statement, NDC, Board Resolution	For Object 1, the company has utilized the funds to reduce the financial indebtedness of the company. Debt repaid of Rs. 1232.26 was part of certain outstanding borrowings listed under the 'Details of the Object' in the Red Herring Prospectus (RHP). Whereas borrowings repaid to the tune of Rs. 172.02 crore were not part of the list but were part of the total debt outstanding as on September 30, 2023, mentioned in the RHP. The Board has approved the stated change in the debt repayment through BR dated March 18, 2024, and the compliance officer has confirmed that the process followed is in compliance with the applicable law.	The Board has approved the repayment of borrowings to the tune of Rs. 172.02 Crores which were part of the Indebtedness listed in the Red Herring Prospectus (RHP).
Whether shareholder approval has been obtained in case of material deviations# from expenditures disclosed in the Offer Document?	Not Applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil
Whether the means of finance for the disclosed objects of the issue have changed?	No	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil
Is there any major deviation observed over the earlier monitoring agency reports?	No	Not applicable	First Monitoring Agency report	Nil
Whether all Government/statutory approvals related to the object(s) have been obtained?	No	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil
Whether all arrangements pertaining to technical assistance/collaboration are in operation?	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil
Are there any favorable/unfavorable events affecting the viability of these object(s)?	No	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil
Is there any other relevant information that may materially affect the decision making of the investors?	No	Not applicable	Not applicable	Nil

<sup>\*</sup> The above details are verified by Gopal Sharma & Co. Chartered Accountants vide its CA certificate dated May 13, 2024.

#Where material deviation may be defined to mean:
a) Deviation in the objects or purposes for which the funds have been raised
b) Deviation in the amount of funds actually utilized by more than 10% of the amount projected in the offer documents.

## 4) Details of objects to be monitored:

(i) Cost of objects –

		Source of information /	Original cost		Commonto	Comments of the Board of Directors			
Sr. No	Item Head	Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Original cost (as per the Offer Document) in Rs. Crore	Revised Cost in Rs. Crore	Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Reason for cost revision	Proposed financing option	Particulars of - firm arrangements made	
1	certain outstanding borrowings	Prospectus*, CA Certificate**, Bank statement, NDC, Board	1500.00	-	Not applicable	Nil	Nil	Nil	
2	General corporate purposes (GCP)	Prospectus*, CA Certificate**	233.084	-	Not applicable	Nil	Nil	Nil	
Total			1733.084						

<sup>\*</sup>Sourced from Page No. 124 of Prospectus.

\*\* The above details are verified by Gopal Sharma & Co. Chartered Accountants vide its CA certificate dated May 13, 2024.

(ii) Progress in the objects –

		Source of information /	Amount as proposed in the Offer Document in Rs. Crore	Amount utilised in Rs. Crore		Total Unutilised		Comments of the Board of Directors		
Sr. No	Item Head	certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report		As at beginning of the quarter in Rs. Crore	During the quarter in Rs. Crore	At the end of the quarter in Rs. Crore (B)	amount in Rs. Crore as on March 31, 2024 (C=A-B)	Comments of the Monitoring Agency	Reasons for idle funds	Proposed course of action
1	Repayment/ prepayment/ redemption, in full or in part, of certain outstanding borrowings availed by our Company and our recent acquisitions, namely CHPL and CHHPL;	Prospectus*, CA Certificate**, Bank statement, NDC, Board Resolution	1500.00	-	1404.28	1404.28	95.72	Not applicable	Nil	Nil
2	General corporate purposes (GCP)	Prospectus*, CA Certificate**	233.084	-	-	-	233.084	Not applicable	Nil	Nil
	Total		1733.084		1404.28	1404.28	328.804			

<sup>\*</sup> Sourced from Page No. 124 of Prospectus.

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#### (iii) Deployment of unutilized public issue proceeds:

Sr. No.	Type of instrument and name of the entity invested in	Amount invested (Rs. Crore)	Maturity date	Earning (Rs. Crore)	Return on Investment (%)	Market Value as at the end of quarter
1	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	100.00	29-05-2024	1.84	ı	-
2	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	100.00	29-05-2024	1.84	ı	-
3	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	100.00	29-05-2024	1.84	-	-
4	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	21.00	21-04-2024	0.00	ı	-
5	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	07.40	10-04-2024	0.03	-	-
6	Juniper Hotels Limited (Kotak FD)	00.70	29-05-2024	0.37	-	-
7	Juniper Hotels Limited closing balance (Monitoring agency account)	0.04	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		329.14^				

<sup>^</sup>The difference in unutilized amount in (ii) progress in the object table and (iii) deployment of unutilized table is on account of interest earned of Rs.0.35 crore The above details are verified by Gopal Sharma & Co. Chartered Accountants vide its CA certificate dated May 13, 2024.

(iv) Delay in implementation of the object(s) - Nil

	Compl	etion Date	Delay (no. of	Comments of the Board of Directors				
Objects	As per the offer document**	ne offer Actual days/ mont		Reason of delay	Proposed course of action			
Repayment/ prepayment/ redemption, in full or in part, of				Nil	Nil			
certain outstanding borrowings availed by our Company	March 31, 2024	Still pending*						
and our recent acquisitions, namely CHPL and CHHPL;								
General corporate purposes (GCP)	March 31, 2024	Still pending^		Nil	Nil			

<sup>\*</sup>JHL has utilised Rs. 1404.28 crores as on March 31, 2024 as against the scheduled deployment of Rs. 1,500.00 crore.

<sup>^</sup>JHL has utilised NIL as on March 31, 2024 as against the scheduled deployment of Rs. 233.084 crore.

<sup>\*\*</sup>If the Net Proceeds are not utilized (in full or in part) for the Objects during the period stated above due to such factors, the remaining Net Proceeds shall be utilized in subsequent periods as may be determined by our Company, in accordance with applicable laws. Moreover, if the actual utilisation towards the stated Objects is lower than the proposed deployment, such balance will be used for general corporate purposes to the extent that the total amount to be utilised towards general corporate purposes will not exceed 25.00% of the Net Proceeds, in accordance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations. The Board may take note of it.

#### 5) Details of utilization of proceeds stated as General Corporate Purpose (GCP) amount in the offer document: Nil

Sr. N	Item Head^	Amount in Rs. Crore	Source of information / certifications considered by Monitoring Agency for preparation of report	Comments of Monitoring Agency	Comments of the Board of Directors
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<sup>\*\*</sup> The above details are verified by Gopal Sharma & Co. Chartered Accountants vide its CA certificate dated May 13, 2024.

- (i) strategic initiatives;
- (ii) capital expenditure towards enhancement and upkeep of our hotel assets, including by development, refurbishment and/or renovation of assets of our Company and Subsidiaries;
- (iii) funding organic and inorganic growth opportunities, including acquisitions;
- (iv) strengthening marketing capabilities and brand building exercises;
- (v) funding working capital requirements of our Company and Subsidiaries;
- (vi) meeting ongoing general corporate purposes or contingencies; and/or
- (vii) any other purpose as may be approved by the Board or a duly appointed committee from time to time, subject to compliance with the Companies Act.

The allocation or quantum of utilization of funds towards the specific purposes described above will also be determined by our Board, based on our business requirements and other relevant considerations, from time to time. Our management, in accordance with the policies of the Board, shall have the flexibility in utilising surplus amounts, if any. In the event that our Company is unable to utilise the entire amount that our Company has currently estimated for use out of Net Proceeds in a Fiscal, our Company will utilise such unutilised amount in the next Fiscal."

<sup>^</sup> Section from the offer document related to GCP:

<sup>&</sup>quot;The Net Proceeds will first be utilized for the Object as set out above. Our Company intends to deploy any balance left out of the Net Proceeds towards general corporate purposes, as approved by our management, from time to time, subject to such utilization for general corporate purposes not exceeding 25% of the Net Proceeds, in compliance with the SEBI ICDR Regulations. Such general corporate purposes may include, but are not restricted to, the following:

#### **Disclaimers to MA report:**

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