

## **HRAWI gets support from Maharashtra CM and Tourism Minister to revive the industry**

We are indeed thankful to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray and the Hon Tourism Minister Aaditya Thackeray for holding web meeting with HRAWI members of the Hotel & Restaurant Industry on the vital issue of re-opening.

HRAWI assured the Hon'ble Ministers along with the Chief Secretary / Tourism Secretary and CMO that the Industry is completely geared up for reopening and exhibited our readiness to conduct business in a safe environment. HRAWI informed the Govt regarding the launch of COVID 19 free training programme by FHRAI / HRAWI for its members as also Desktop audit programme dealing with all required compliances.

HRAWI also stated that the Hotels & Restaurants are the true Corona warriors due to the rooms offered for quarantine & for health workers. The Hon'ble CM while acknowledging the vital role of the Hotels and Restaurants in this pandemic, thanked them for standing with him and the Govt to fight this pandemic.

The Hon'ble CM assured the Association that the Government is working on reopening protocols and urged the Industry to take all care and expected due compliance from all categories of Hotels from lodges to 5 stars . The Hon'ble CM however said that they will reopen in a phased manner to avoid any backlash .

The Hon'ble CM further informed that the Government is also working on certain concessions including on excise front so as to revive the Industry. The Hon'ble Tourism Minister also addressed the participants from Hrawi assuring that tourism was very vital to the state and they would do everything to ensure it gets back on track at its earliest and appreciated our suggestions in this regard.