## Hyatt Hotels likely to cross the 50-property mark in India by 2023

The US-based hotel chain Hyatt Hotels Corporation is looking to add 22 more properties to its existing 29 hotels, taking the total number to 51 in the next five years. It is looking to add properties in non-metropolitan cities such as Visakhapatnam, Surat, Vadodara and Agra. The company is currently present in 18 cities, including Delhi, Bengaluru, and Mumbai.

It is also looking at opportunities to develop more resorts in Coorg and Goa and will come up with another hotel in Bengaluru by early next year. Marriott International, which currently has over 21,000 rooms in the country, leaves Hyatt far behind with 7,000 rooms. Among the local players, Indian Hotels Company-owned Taj holds the highest inventory, with over 14,000 rooms.

On this vast gap, Fulton said, "We never aim to be the biggest but we want to be the most relevant and the best. "The US-based hotel is looking to hire 11,000 more employees in India in the next five years. At present, it has a headcount of 12,600 in the country.

The company announced the entry of its seventh brand Hyatt Centric in India with a property in Bengaluru. Its other brands include Park Hyatt, Miraval, Grand Hyatt, Hyatt Regency, Hyatt, Andaz, Hyatt Centric, and The Unbound Collection by Hyatt, Hyatt Place, Hyatt House, Hyatt Ziva, Hyatt Zilara and Hyatt Residence Club.