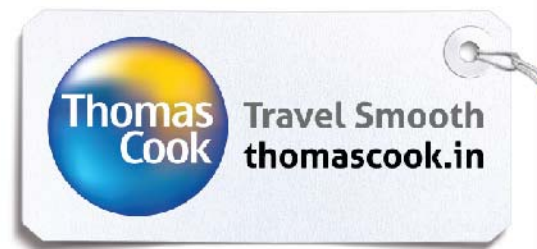


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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Ref: Submission of information pursuant to Regulation 30 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015

Sub: Press Release

We are enclosing herewith the Press Release dated October 30, 2018: 'Thomas Cook India Group to focus on US Business Travel - Commences USA Operations'.

This is for your information and records.

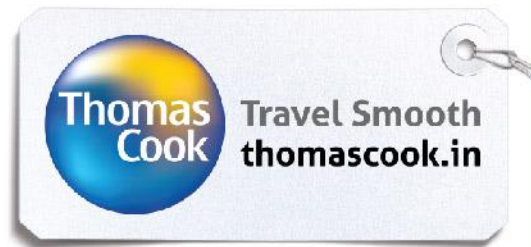
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## News Release

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### **Thomas Cook India Group to focus on US Business Travel Commences USA Operations ~Obtains necessary licences including ARC certification~**

**Mumbai, October 30, 2018:** Thomas Cook (India) Ltd., India's leading integrated travel and travel related financial services company, announced the commencement of its USA Operations, in a focussed initiative to leverage the high potential business travel segment- to and from the Americas. The Company has accordingly obtained ARC (Airlines Reporting Corporation) accreditation and necessary operating licences via its Destination Management brand, Allied TPro (through Horizon Travel Services LLC, USA).

The Global Business Travel Association (GBTA) projects India to be one of the fastest growing markets over the next five years, with a growth rate of 11.3%. Thomas Cook India reiterates this clear opportunity, with its internal data highlighting a 23% YoY growth in its business travel segment over the last 3 years; and US travel contributing over 20% of its portfolio. Hence, in a strategic initiative to harness this significant potential and grow its corporate travel business, Thomas Cook India has commenced operations in the US.

Thomas Cook India's USA initiative will enable the Company effectively manage the travel and related requirements of its large and expanding base of global business travellers with a two-pronged benefit: giving them direct access to fares and content from the US market, coupled with 24X7 solutions for their US travel and travel related services. The Company's USA operations will offer its travellers a range of services include, air, hospitality and surface transportation across its business and b-leisure segments.

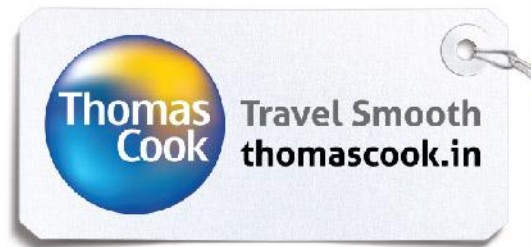
Speaking on the occasion, **Indiver Rastogi, President, Global Corporate Travel at The Thomas Cook India Group** said, *"We are excited with this development that also marks the beginning of our Corporate Travel operations in the US- a market that offers us significant potential across business and b-leisure segments. This new initiative will enable Thomas Cook manage travel and related services for our growing customer portfolio of MNCs, Indian Corporate Houses, and equally SMEs travelling to and from USA"*

He concluded with, *"We see significant growth in the business travel sector and this move heralds our foray into key opportune markets- globally."*

The Thomas Cook India Group provides integrated Travel Management and Advisory Services to more than 500 corporates, including several leading national, multinational companies and SMEs. The large scale and size of its operations enables the company effectively provide process efficiencies coupled with specialization in tailor-made travel policies to suit each corporate requirement, thereby enabling savings on spend.

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**About Thomas Cook (India) Limited:** Thomas Cook (India) Ltd. (TCIL) is the leading integrated travel and travel related financial services company in the country offering a broad spectrum of services that include Foreign Exchange, Corporate Travel, MICE, Leisure Travel, Insurance, Visa & Passport services and E-Business. The company set up its first office in India in 1881.

The Thomas Cook India Group spanning 24 countries across 4 continents, a team of over 7590 and a combined revenue in excess of Rs. 11,411.6 Cr. (over \$ 1.75 Bn), operates leading B2C and B2B brands including, Thomas Cook, SOTC, TCI, SITA, Asian Trails, Allied T Pro, Australian Tours Management, Desert Adventures, Travel Circle International Limited, Private Safaris East & South Africa. The Group is today one of the largest travel service provider networks headquartered in the Asia-Pacific region.

The long term rating of 'ICRA AA' under rating watch with developing implications stands withdrawn as the NCD's have been prepaid and there is no amount outstanding against the rated instrument. CRISIL has placed its rating of 'CRISIL AA-' on the long-term bank facilities of TCIL on 'rating watch with developing implications', while reaffirming its 'CRISIL A1+' rating on the short-term bank facilities and short-term debt of the Company.

Thomas Cook (India) Ltd has been felicitated with **The Best Outbound Tour Operator and Leading Company with Cutting Edge Travel Innovation at the Times Travel Awards 2018, Excellence in Domestic Tour Operations at the SATTE Awards 2018, Best Travel Entrepreneur of The Year at TTG Travel Awards 2017, The French Ambassador's Diamond Award for Exemplary Achievements in Visa Insurance- 2015, 2016 & 2017 and the Condé Nast Traveller – Readers' Travel Awards from 2011 to 2016.**

For more information, please visit [www.thomascook.in](http://www.thomascook.in)

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The company, through Thomas Cook (India) Ltd., owns 49.02% of Qess Corp Limited, a provider of integrated business services, and 100% of Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited, a company engaged in time share and resort business.

**About Qess Corp:** Qess Corp Limited (BSE: 539978, NSE: QUESS), is India's leading business services provider. At Qess, we excel in helping large and emerging companies manage their non-core activities by leveraging our integrated service offerings across industries and geographies which provides significant operational efficiencies to our clients. Qess has a team of over ~261,700 employees across India, North America, South America, South East Asia and the Middle East across segments such as Industrials, Facility Management, People Services, Technology Solutions and Internet Business. Qess serves over 1,700+ clients worldwide. Established in 2007, Qess is headquartered in Bengaluru, India and has a market cap of over USD 2.3 Bn as on March 31, 2018.

<http://www.quescorp.com>

**About Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited:** Sterling Holiday Resorts Limited, a leading holiday lifestyle company in India, was incorporated in 1986 with the vision of delivering great holiday experiences to Indian families. To achieve this vision, the company pioneered Vacation Ownership in India and set about building a network of leisure resorts at some of the best holiday destinations in India. Currently, Sterling Holidays has an inventory of 2124 rooms across 32 resorts.

In March 2016, Sterling Holidays acquired 'Nature Trails Resorts Private Limited' - an adventure holiday company that operates resorts at four unique destinations in Maharashtra. For more information, please visit [www.sterlingholidays.com](http://www.sterlingholidays.com)

**About SOTC Travel Limited:** SOTC Travel Limited (formerly known as SOTC Travel Private Limited) is a step-down subsidiary of Fairfax Financial Holdings Group; held through its Indian listed subsidiary, Thomas Cook (India) Limited (TCIL). SOTC is a leading travel and tourism company active across various travel segments including Leisure Travel, Incentive Travel and Business Travel.

TCIL through its Subsidiary holds 100% stake in Travel Circle International Limited, which has an attractive business in the travel sector backed by a trusted brand name, and a stable and motivated professional management team. The company is a premium outbound travel operator in Hong Kong. For more information please visit [www.sotc.in](http://www.sotc.in)

**About the recent acquisitions:** TCIL recently completed the acquisition of TC Forex Services Limited (Formerly known as Tata Capital Forex Limited) (TC Forex) and TC Travel Services Limited (Formerly known as TC Travel and Services Limited) (TC Travel). TC Forex offers travel related foreign exchange products including Currency notes, Travel Cards and Traveller's cheques and TC Travel offers a wide range of services including Airline ticketing, Booking Hotel accommodation, Visa and Passport facilitation, Travel insurance etc.

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