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# BREAKING NEWS



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With due regard to the growing concerns about the spread of the corona virus (COVID-19 virus) and the health safety of both exhibitors and visitors, 8th Food & Beverage and Hospitality 2021 has been postponed to Dec 2nd - 5th, 2021. House of Rajkarnicar is anxiously looking forward to show later this year. The food & beverage as well as the hospitality industry is expected to

rebound like a storm after Covid-19 regime wanes toward the end of this year and House of Rajkarnicar promises to more than ready to host this much awaited exhibition. In addition to this, the exhibition is getting booked by several Indian and Nepali exhibitors. Beside that Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Afghanistan has already assured their presence in the exhibition.

## DFTQC Going Strict on Food Labels

The Department of Food Technology and Quality Control announced that it is going to introduce the new regulations to counter consumers being cheated due to the small size and fine print on the labels of many food products. The existing Food Regulation 1970 contains a provision on product labels, but it does not say anything about their size. DFTQC Director General Sanjeev Kumar Karna said that the new provision was being introduced to adopt internationally accepted practices in the food business. "It will help to ensure the quality of both imported and domestically produced

the DFTQC.

The label should contain the nutrition facts of the food product. The label should also include the license number, specify whether the food product is vegetarian or non-vegetarian and contain expiry dates and batch numbers. Karna said that the labels should also mention ways to preserve the packaged food. Likewise, the label on packaged food should contain details of the types of preservatives used and the sugar level and state whether artificial sweeteners have been used and also the labels on the



## Third Lemon Tree in Nepal



Lemon Tree Hotels has signed a License Agreement for an 80 room upcoming hotel at Biratnagar in Nepal under the brand 'Lemon Tree Premier'. Biratnagar is a metropolitan city in Province 1 in Nepal. Its strategic location serves as an entry point to eastern Nepal as well as north-eastern India. Located in the capital city of Province No. 1, this premier property will feature 80 well-appointed rooms and suites, complimented by a multi cuisine restaurant, a bar, and a specialty pan-Asian restaurant. It will

also have meeting and event spaces, and premium recreational facilities, including a spa, swimming pool and fitness center.

Carnation Hotels Private Limited, a subsidiary and the hotel management arm of the Company will be operating and marketing this Lemon Tree Hotel in Biratnagar. The hotel is owned by Nepal International Hospitality Pvt. Ltd.

Lemon Tree Hotels is India's largest hotel chain in the mid-priced hotel sector, and the third largest overall. The company opened its first hotel with 49 rooms in May 2004 and currently operates about 8,300 rooms in 84 hotels across 51 destinations, in India and abroad, under its various brands.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Rattan Keswani, Deputy Managing Director – Lemon Tree Hotels and Director – Carnation Hotels commented, "The addition of this hotel will help expand our reach in the country, and add to our repertoire of hotels in this region. The planned casino, which will be built adjacent to the hotel will be an added USP and provide an exclusive offering for our guests"

The hotel is expected to be operational by January 2023, and this will be the third hotel of the company in Nepal, including Kathmandu and Nagarkot

food items,"

Manufacturers of packaged food products will have to label their products properly so that consumers can read the text without difficulty. The labels will have to meet the Codex Standards, the internationally accepted code in the food business, according to

packaged foods should get approved by the department.

According to the DFTQC, the new provision will come into effect once the Food Regulation 2016 is enforced. The DFTQC has almost finalized a draft of the regulation and it is currently gathering feedback from various stakeholders.

## Tea In Lamjung

"A tea state that resembles Ilam and gives the feeling of viewing the tea plantations in Ilam" says Omlal Gurung. Omlal Gurung has registered and established Trista Tea Pvt. Ltd. in 2067 at Bansaar's Duwaar village within Dordi VDC of Eastern Lamjung. The village started gaining popularity and has become an attraction for both domestic and international tourists. With a plantation spread over 150 ropanis, the following tea state has been doing commercial production and is visited by both internal and international tourists.

The plantation which started with 20,000 tea plants in 20 ropanis has now gradually increased to the area of 150 ropanis. Cardamom, coffee and lemon plantations are also getting prioritized in various places of Lamjung. Tea produced in Duwaar gets distributed in district's several main markets such as Besi Sahar,

Bhoteodaar, Sundar Market, Manang's Chame and Taal. The company has also confirmed that they've been exporting the tea in America and Germany. Some places like Ghale Gaun, Bhujung and Pus Gaun also became popular for the tea plantation few years back.

The district officials are focusing on developing several tourist destinations in order to attract both domestic and international tourists. The tea state lies in the lap of Mount Manaslu and is closely situated to the tourists' area such as Barah Lake or Meme Lake. Tourists who prefers to go for hiking or trekking to Barah Lake or Meme Lake other than sightseeing of plantation could do so by using the walking trails that is being made for each destination. Several new cottages are also being constructed along the walking trails to rest.