

HMSHost expands in India



Family restaurant Giraffe is one of 14 new F&B stores at BLR Airport, Bengaluru

F&B specialist [HMSHost International](#) is strengthening its presence in India with 14 new stores at the newly developed T2 ("Terminal in a Garden") and 10 new stores in T1 at Kempegowda Airport ([BLR](#)), Bengaluru.

Together, these tender wins strengthen the company's footprint at BLR Airport to more than 30 stores.

Commenting on the development, HMSHost International Regional Managing Director India and Middle East Jagvir Rana said, "We are proud to work together with our long-term partner BIAL [Bangalore International Airport Limited] on this exciting and ambitious new project to create a Terminal in a Garden. As the leading hospitality operator at BLR Airport, we are passionate about bringing BIAL's vision to life, bringing some remarkable new brands into the country and doing what we do best; creating places to be."

As one of India's most innovative airports, BLR Airport aims to create a 'terminal in a garden' in its new T2 - a nod to the famous green aesthetics of Bengaluru.

"With our partnership with HMSHost International, we aim to offer passengers unrivaled food and beverage options and an eco-friendly dining experience. It is truly exciting for us to bring some of the most successful international F&B brands for the first time to India and the city of Bengaluru, but at the same time highlighting our commitment to sustainability by banning the use of single-use plastics and encouraging sustainable materials in the construction of all our outlets," said Kenneth Guldbjerg, BIAL's Chief Commercial Officer.

Alongside Jones the Grocer opening with its exciting new grab and go concept, Jones Express, travelers through T1 can expect to enjoy the Asian sit-down restaurant P.F. Chang's, the family restaurant Giraffe, as well as KFC, urban bar Brew'd, art deco-inspired Indian bistro Chef's Talkie,

botanical bar The Beer Plot and revamped versions of South Indian restaurants Tiffin Express and Tiffin Centre.

In T2, all restaurants are complementary to the ‘Terminal in a Garden’ vision of BLR Airport in design, menu execution and storytelling.

The selection of brands – to be announced later – showcase Bengaluru as the tech capital of the region while highlighting HMSHost’s commitment to sustainability through the use of reused and sustainable materials in construction.

With this expansion, HMSHost India operates more than 100 stores in the country across key locations including Hyderabad and Delhi Airports, Secunderabad train station and a selection of shopping malls.