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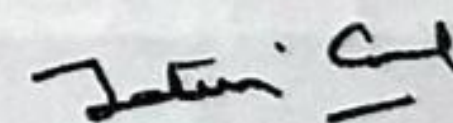
The Ministry of Tourism formulated Covid 19 Operational Recommendations for Hotels, Restaurants and B&B/ Homestay/ Farmstay units in consultation with all Stakeholders in order to enable them to restart their business post Covid-19 lockdown. The guidelines issued by the Ministry are available at <https://saathi.qci.org/>. The Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India has developed a **System for Assessment, Awareness & Training for Hospitality Industry (SAATHI)** initiative- in alignment with PM's vision of 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' in partnership with Quality Council of India, an autonomous body under DPIIT (Ministry of Commerce & Industry).

The SAATHI Initiative will help the industry for resumption of business as well as give an opportunity to ascertain the degree of compliance with the operational recommendations/ compliances in the following three phases:

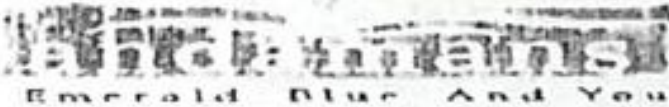
- (i) Execute the Self-Assessment framework and self-assessment certificate for the applicants.
- (ii) Conducting the Capacity Building Webinars to handhold stakeholders/units to understand the guidelines issued.
- (iii) Site-Assessment framework and IT Systems for on-ground tech-based assessment of the stakeholders' properties for physical verification of compliance to the notified guidelines.

The units seeking support under SAATHI will have to register with the National Database of Accommodation Units and they will be provided access to various online capacity building services under SAATHI. Till date, 250 Nos. of accommodation units are registered with National Database for accommodation units. The registration No. of National Database has been sent to the respective hotel owners/representative of the unclassified accommodation units by this Directorate through email. All the registered accommodation units are requested to check their email for registration No. of National Database to link with SAATHI and go for self certification, online training and site assessment.

The Ministry will officially launch the said SAATHI scheme on 27th September, 2020, on the occasion of World Tourism Day. For further clarification, contact the State Nodal Officer, Directorate of IP&T over telephone No.244081.



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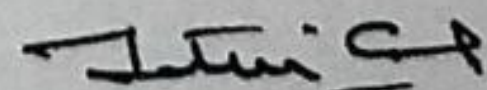
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DIRECTORATE OF TOURISM

Port Blair dated the 22nd Sept., 2020.

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