

Hospitality industry of Mumbai welcomes Maha Cabinet's 'Mumbai 24 hours' policy

The Maharashtra Cabinet on Wednesday approved its 'Mumbai 24 hours' policy allowing malls, multiplexes and shops to remain open round-the-clock in the city from the midnight of January 26-27, 2020.

Welcoming the Maharashtra State cabinet approval, Dilip Datwani, Immediate Past President, Hotel and Restaurant Association of Western India (HRAWI) said, " We are thankful to the Cabinet of Hon' Ministers for approving the 24x7 Mumbai plan. This is a long-awaited demand from the hotel and tourism industry and, finally, after almost two decades our demands have been met. This will give a big fillip to business in Mumbai and has tremendous potential to transform the tourism landscape of the city. It was a decision which could not have been deferred any longer. We are grateful to the Minister of Tourism – State, Aaditya Thackeray for championing the cause and single-handedly pushing it through. We also thank Praveen Pardeshi, Municipal Commissioner and Shri Sanjay Barve, Police Commissioner and all the officials from both departments for their co-operation and support. This will add more jobs in the hotel and tourism industry and will have an overall positive impact on the economy. Mumbai could be a model city in this regard and provide a roadmap to the rest of the country."