

The Oberoi Group announces second edition of The Oberoi Group Scholarship Programme

Building on the success of its inaugural year, The Oberoi Group has announced the second edition of The Oberoi Group Scholarship Programme, a pioneering initiative that nurtures the next generation of hospitality leaders through world-class education and international exposure.

Launched in 2024, the programme received an overwhelming response from hospitality professionals across India, reaffirming the Group's stature as a global icon in luxury hospitality. Inspired by the vision of Rai Bahadur Mohan Singh Oberoi, the father of the Indian hotel industry, and Prithvi Raj Singh Oberoi, who elevated Indian luxury hospitality to global acclaim, this programme is designed to foster leadership excellence and innovation in the industry.

Two Prestigious Scholarships

- Rai Bahadur Mohan Singh Oberoi – ‘Dare to Dream’ Scholarship: Open to hotel operations executives from hotels outside The Oberoi Group in India, encouraging them to aim high and pursue ambitious career goals.
- Prithvi Raj Singh Oberoi – ‘Be the Best’ Scholarship: Open to hotel operations executives from The Oberoi Group in India and overseas, inspiring them to set new benchmarks in luxury hospitality.

Each scholarship winner will pursue a Master of Business Administration in Hospitality at École Hôtelière de Lausanne (EHL), Switzerland—one of the world's leading hospitality management schools. The two-year MBA combines virtual learning with annual immersive sessions at the Lausanne campus and a Best Practice Tour at some of the world's most iconic hotels.

Inaugural Edition Highlights

In 2024, two outstanding professionals were awarded after a rigorous seven-stage selection process:

- Kritika Sharma, Executive Housekeeper, Taj West End, Bengaluru – recipient of the ‘Dare to Dream’ Scholarship
- Alisha Rampal, Director – Food & Beverage, Trident, Bandra Kurla, Mumbai – recipient of the ‘Be the Best’ Scholarship

Both scholars are currently enrolled at EHL, embarking on transformative journeys that blend academic excellence, global exposure, and leadership development.

Kritika Sharma shared, “This has been a life-changing opportunity that has broadened my perspective on global hospitality. I am grateful to The Oberoi Group for enabling professionals like me to dream bigger and achieve more.”

Alisha Rampal added, “The Oberoi Scholarship has been an inspiring journey of self-discovery and learning. The exposure at EHL has strengthened my resolve to deliver excellence and carry forward the values of The Oberoi legacy.”

Industry Endorsement

K. B. Kachru, President – Hotels Association of India, remarked, “The Oberoi Group Scholarship Programme is a transformative step in shaping India’s hospitality future. By empowering talent with world-class education, it fosters innovation and excellence across the industry.”

Leadership Perspective

Arjun Oberoi, Executive Chairman, The Oberoi Group, said:

“The inaugural edition reinforced our belief in the power of nurturing talent for the future of hospitality. With the second edition, we continue the legacy of our founders by supporting exceptional individuals to become world-class hoteliers.”

Vikram Oberoi, CEO, The Oberoi Group, added:

“Our founders believed in continuous learning and mentorship. This programme strengthens our commitment to investing in people who will define the future of hospitality with innovation, leadership, and guest-centric excellence.”