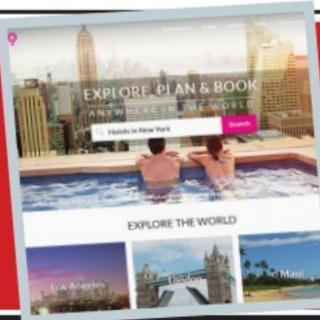


DELHI TOURISM WEBSITE GETS A FACELIFT

Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation (DTTDC) has launched a revamped version of its official website (www.delhi-tourism.gov.in). The website

features booking services for national and international packages, accommodation, tour packages and more. The site also contains downloadable tourist literature.



www.gogobot.com

It is an online platform where people offer their recommendations for other travellers. Thousands of reviews of popular attractions, restaurants and hotels around the world are aggregated and put together for easy selection.



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RECORD NUMBER OF INDIANS VISITED UK



LAST year saw a record number of Indians visiting Britain, according to the International Passenger Survey from the Office of National Statistics UK. The latest International Passenger Survey figures show visits from India in 2015 are up 8 per cent, from 390,000 to 422,000, setting a new record. Indian visitors spent £433 million in Britain last year along with 9.2 million nights. These 2015 figures mean that India retains its position as Britain's No. 1 BRIC market in terms of visitor volume.

LUXURY VICTORIAN VILLA TO OPEN IN QUEENSTOWN

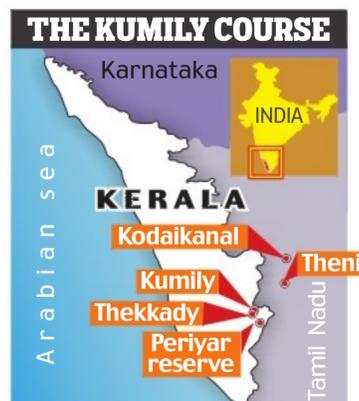


HULBERT House, a new luxury boutique accommodation in a restored Victorian villa, will open in Queenstown, New Zealand on June 1. The six-suite property has views overlooking Lake Wakatipu and the Skyline Hill. Located one block from Queenstown's CBD area, Hulbert House was built in 1887 during the height of the New Zealand gold rush. The property is managed by Brook Serene and Co Limited.

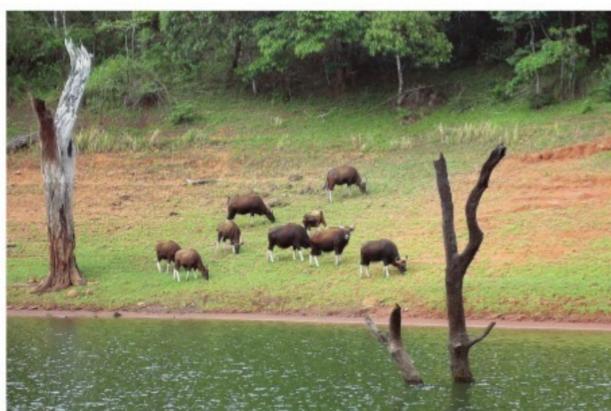
VISIT THE ANGRY BIRDS IN FINLAND WITH FAMILY



IN KEEPING with its philosophy of providing its members with diverse and memorable vacation experiences, Mahindra Holidays & Resorts India Ltd is offering its new members a chance to visit the exciting Angry Birds Activity Park at its Holiday Club Resort in Finland. New members who purchase a Club Mahindra membership by May 31 stand a chance to win an all-expenses paid family trip to the Angry Birds Activity Park located at its Holiday Club Resort in Finland.



(Top-left) View of the Palani ranges from Perumpallam in Kodaikanal; (above) the path leading up to the cottages at Niraamaya Retreats; (left) boating on Periyar Lake; (below) a herd of bisons near the lake.



side shops to flamboyantly dressed men and women and blaring Tamil songs, life on the other side of the barricade is a complete contrast. Drive through Cumbum and Theni to reach Kodaikanal. The landscape is stark and fields spread out on either sides of the highway. When you begin ascending the hairpins to Kodai, the breeze becomes colder and vegetation thicker. You begin humming songs as your hair dances in the wind. Once in Kodai, book a decent hotel by the lake and head for some hot dosas. The star-shaped lake is man made and there are a lot of tourists by and at the lake, on picnics and

pedaling boats. Stock up on more homemade chocolates and eucalyptus oil. The real charm of Kodaikanal lies higher up. Drive to Perumpallam which is a few kilometres away and up from Kodai town. A small shack named Heavenly Mist Holidays stands atop a very steep hill but provides unhindered view of the Palani hill ranges. Ask for a tent if the weather is right. You will want to end your vacation here — to pitch your tent, sit on the nearby bench with a cup of tea, stroke the shack's friendly black puppy and watch as thick clouds cast shadows over the ranges.