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Lemon Tree Hotels files draft papers for public issue

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Lemon Tree Hotels Ltd has filed a draft red herring prospectus with SEBI to launch an initial public offering. The company plans to sell up to 19.58 crore shares through the public issue.

The issue consists entirely of an offer-for-sale by 10 investors including 9.45 crore shares by Maplewood Investment; 2.53 crore shares by RJ Corp; 1.39 crore shares by Ravi Kant Jaipuria and Sons; and 1.03 crore shares by Citron.

The offer would constitute up to 24.9 per cent of the post offer share capital of the company.

The price band and the minimum bid lot will be decided by the company and Maplewood in consultation with global coordinators and book-running lead managers and book running lead managers.

Lemon Tree Hotels operates



several mid-priced hotel chain across India. Kotak Mahindra Capital Co Ltd, CLSA India Pvt Ltd, JP Morgan India Pvt Ltd, YES Securities India Ltd are book-running lead managers to the issue

Lemon Tree Hotels said it aims to achieve the benefits of listing the equity shares on the stock exchanges.

"Our company expects that listing of the equity shares will enhance our visibility and brand image and provide liquidity to our shareholders. Listing will also provide a public market for the equity shares in India," it added.