OPERATION OF BANGARAM ISLAND RESORT – LATEST UPDATE

The CGH Group's lease to operate Bangaram Island Resort, expired on 31st August 2010 and the operator was duty bound to handover the premises to UTL Administration and SPORT from the evening of 31.08.2010. However, without any legal justification, CGH went to the Kerala High Court and got one month's extension upto 30th September, 2010 to run the Resort, while the UTL Administration was allowed to continue with the process of global tender for running the resort in future. Against this order which was not in UTL's interest, the UTL Administration and SPORTS went in appeal to the Division Bench of the Kerala High Court. CGH filed 2 appeals and engineered the land owners to file one, and AIBER Resort to file the other against the global tender of UTL Administration. The Division Bench of Kerala High Court heard all the 4 Writs in September-October and dismissed all the 4 writs, in favour of UTL Administration on 22.10.2010. It also ordered CGH that no new guests could be sent to the resort from 22nd October, 2010 and on 30th October, 2010, the vacant possession of the Resort was to be handedover to the UTL Administration.

CGH went in appeal against this order of the Kerala High Court DB, to the Hon'ble Supreme Court in 4 Special Leave Petitions (SLP). The Hon'ble Supreme Court did not allow them to entertain any guests but did not allow UTL Administration to dispossess them till the final orders of the Court. Three hearings have taken place in the Apex Court

The matter has not come up for final hearing despite fixing of dates in December 2010, January 2011 and 2nd February 2011. As soon as the Apex Court fixes the time, final hearing will be done. It is for the information of all concerned that the above facts should be kept in mind while dealing with the Bangaram Island Resort in any manner. UTL Administration does not take any responsibility for any action taken by anyone in contravention of the above factual position with respect to the Bangaram Island Resort.