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Kesavan Muraleedharan
Chairman & Managing Director,
Of The SFC Group

"Opportunities don't happen. You create them"

A year ago, I had started my message in the Newsletter with the words of HH Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the President of UAE as inscribed in the Sheikh Khalifa Excellence Award (SKEA) Quality Appreciation Certificate. Now, a year later we can be proud that our efforts to reach excellence has been recognized with the prestigious SKEA award itself.

Awards are in a way the recognition of our efforts and we have been endowed with the Dubai Quality Appreciation Award too, becoming the first restaurant group to receive these awards. All these accolades are the fruits of our commitment and dedication, working as a single unit.

This period witnessed some changes in our operation pattern too in tune with changing circumstances. Just as we have achieved success in terms of awards, we should be able to tackle the challenges in front of us and give paramount service to our customers.

We have declared our new motto for the year during our Annual Meet as "Together, Stronger and Greater" which is exemplified by the accolades that we have achieved. With the same spirit and enthusiasm we should move ahead to create greater successes.

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D S Ganesh *Head Procurement*

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For the survival of any species, it is important for it to adapt to its environment and evolve at a steady pace; being too fast with too many changes would choke it and being too slow would make it a sitting duck. The same goes for an organization too, it too needs to evolve with the changing social, economic, political scenarios at a timely and steady pace.

All departments within our group are mindful of these changes required and often propose the changes which are implemented with the introduction of new products or processes that improve or create new a niche. We as a department understand the importance of these changes and our role in imparting the same.

On behalf my team and myself, I am grateful to Mr Muraleedharan, our Managing Director, and also to our Management for acknowledging our efforts and contributions by awarding us as the Best Corporate Department for 2018 at the recently the SHARP Annual Staff Party.

We have all joined our hands together to learn, evolve and grow SFC Group for the years ahead, let's make it even firmer!



N. G. Sreekumar

Project Manager

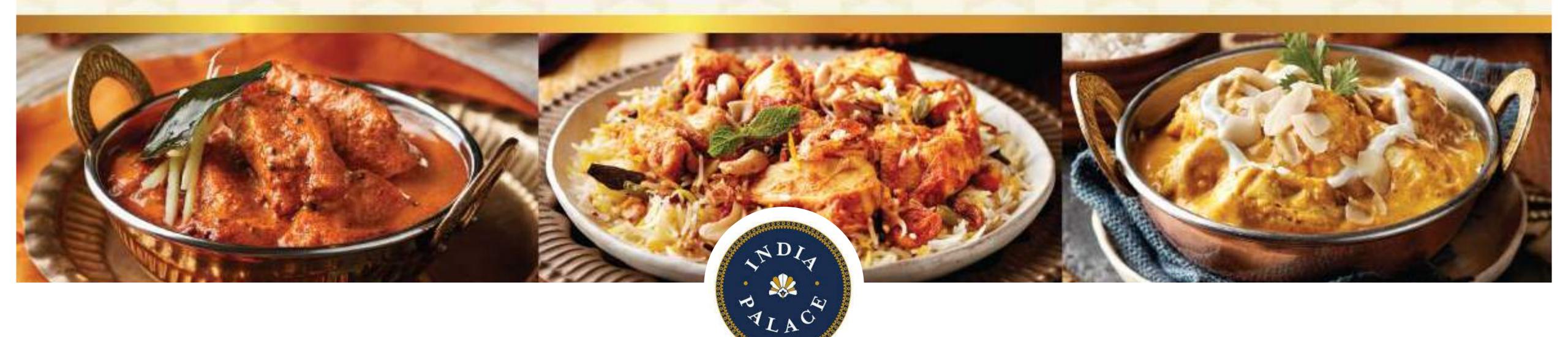
I am working with Southern Food and Catering Services since 20th April 2008 as a Project Manager and now it's more than 10 years of service. I am proud to be part of this great organization and it is my privilege to share the experience with such an organization. The Visionary Mr.Muraleedharan lead by his management team has always given all the support for me to excel in this organization and to add value as per the visionary. It always makes me feel SFCS is "a home away from home" and I will always continue to add my contribution to the growth of this organization.



Ahmed Kenawy Mohamed
Call Center Manager

While working with a company with passion, commitment and perfection, I never realized how nine years have passed in my professional career. It has been a great experience to be part of a management team with the ambition to grow

INDIA PALACE FOR A TRADITIONAL DINING EXPERIENCE!



INDIA PALACE

AUTHENTIC HERITAGE DINING





A PRESTIGIOUS MOMENT IN TIME - IP WINS THE SKEA AWARD

It is with great pride and honour that we announce that we have won two prestigious quality awards this year; the Dubai Quality Appreciation Award conferred by HH Sheikh Mansoor Bin Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum and the Sheikh Khalifa Excellence Award by HH Sheikh Hamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan.

It is the first time in the history of both these awards that a restaurant chain has been deemed worthy of this recognition.

As our loyal customer, our team management would like to thank you for giving us the wonderful opportunity to serve you. You are our inspiration in doing our very best.

These recognitions are dedicated to the support you have generously showered on us and the trust you have placed in India Palace over the years. We'd like to celebrate this occasion with you and offer you a humble token of our gratitude.

To many more celebrations together!

The India Palace Team





...AND THE DQA AWARD FOR ABSOLUTE PERSEVERANCE!

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Receiving both of these awards from esteemed Institution was indeed a timeless recognition for the Company. The Management would like to share these accomplishments to our India Palace Team for their untiring commitment and to Our Valued Customers, who inspired us to continuously provide quality services over the years.

To many more celebrations and success together!

AND THE DSES AWARD IS HOME AGAIN!

Through the years India Palace was a consistent awardee of Dubai Service Excellence Scheme DSES. Again, on 29th April, 2019, India Palace Salam was declared winner in Hospitality and Entertainment Sector/Category wherein the plaque was given by DSES representatives at IP Salam, Abu Dhabi.









GAS WINNER – TOP FIVE (5) RESTAURANTS

#1 India Palace MUSHRIF

- #2 India Palace GARDEN MALL
- #3 India Palace RAK
- #4 GOLDEN DRAGON
- #5 India Palace DALMA MALL

GAS WINNER – TOP FIVE (5) SERVER

#1 WASIM India Palace, GARDEN MALL

#2 **NISHAD**India Palace, MUSHRIF MALL

#3 **RAKESH**India Palace, DALMA MALL

#4 **C. MAYA**India Palace, RAK MALL

#5 **AKRITY** India Palace, AL AIN

GOING AFTER SALES

1st QUARTER 2019











SOUTHERN FOOD AND CATERING SERVICES

UNIT MANAGERS OF THE MONTH

"You wisely said, "I think I can. I think I can. I think I can." And, you did!!

Congratulations!"



Jayan Krishnan Asab Area



V D Sudheer Kumar Habshan Area

UNIT MANAGERS OF THE MONTH

We appreciate your hard work and enthusiasm!





N.G. SreeKumar Asab Area



GOLD AWARD WINNER FOR BRAND EXCELLENCE.

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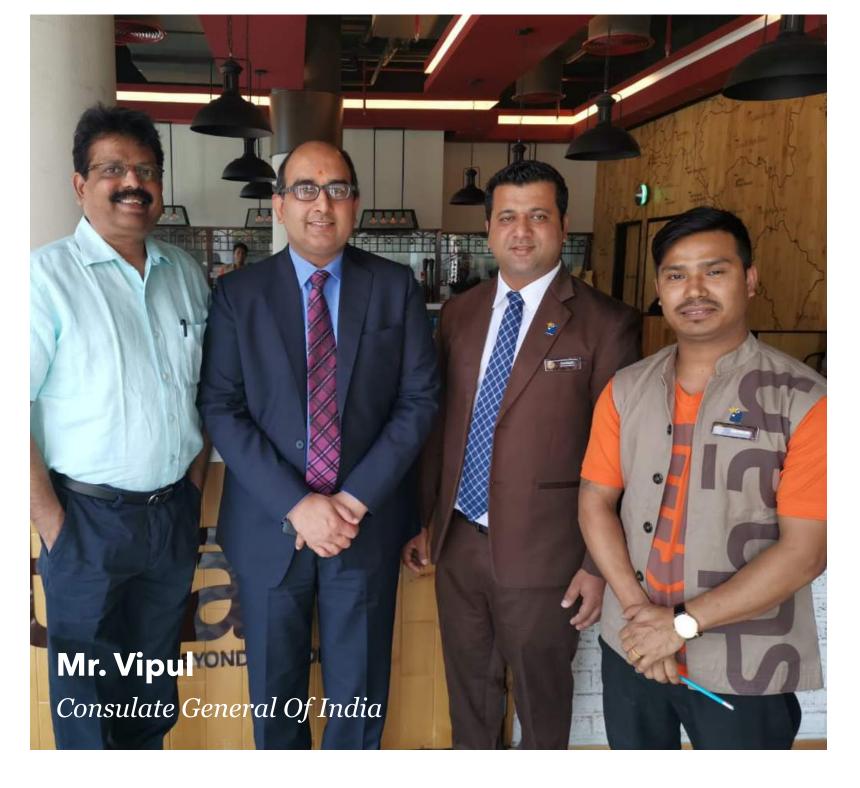
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FOOD BEYOND BORDERS

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HUMBLING VISITS BY HUNGRY PEOPLE

Sthan – We were honored to receive VVIP and celebrities at Sthan and enjoying delicious food









SFC PLUS

LIP SMACKING TASTE!

EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

"The walls of our office would be weakened without your presence. Thank you for standing strong."



Badri Yadav
Home Delivery Driver
SFC PLUS JESCO



Jeric Garcia Padilla
Crew Member
SFC PLUS ADNOC AJMAN



Arunjyoti Achari
Home Delivery Driver
SFC PLUS MADINAT ZAYED



Rex Gonzaga Cuandot
Crew Member
SFC PLUS MAZYAD MALL

EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

We appreciate your hard work and enthusiasm!



MD Mehtab Ali
Home Delivery Driver
SFC PLUS ADNOC AJMAN



Bishal Deep Chhetri Crew Member SFC PLUS AL FAQA



Sourabh Biswas
Crew Member
SFC PLUS ABU ABYAD



Karishma
Crew Member
SFC PLUS HAMDAN



Nikita Rana Crew member SFC PLUS MBZ



Jaya Bahadur Tamang
Crew Member
SFC PLUS RUWAIS



Jeanalyn Gabut Lania Crew Member SFC PLUS ADNOC AJMAN



Mustafizur Rahman Home Delivery Driver SFC PLUS SAFEER SHARJAH



Jane Bernadeth Sodsod
Crew Member
SFC PLUS HAMDAN



Aswin Kalayil
Crew Member
SFC PLUS MAZYAD MALL



Amit Kumar Crew Member SFC PLUS AL FAQA



Joe Mark
Crew Member
SFC PLUS SAFEER AJMAN

REBRANDING SFC PLUS

SFC Plus rebranded its presentation across outlets in the UAE on May 1, 2019.

- Standardizing the Menu Boards in all restaurants.
- Changing the Counter Menu Poster to Counter LightBoards.
- Training of New Awesome Service and Awesome Kitchen Manuals.
- Introduction of New Awesome Audit.
- Introduction of New Pizzas and adding Signatures and Overloaded Category.
- Introduction of New Combo Boxes and Quesadillas.
- Launching of New Going After Sales Program.









STEP BY STEP TUTORIALS AND DEMOS

As part of SFC Plus Rebranding, new Menu was launched last May 01, 2019.

Trainings was provided to all Outlet in charged, crew trainers and team members.

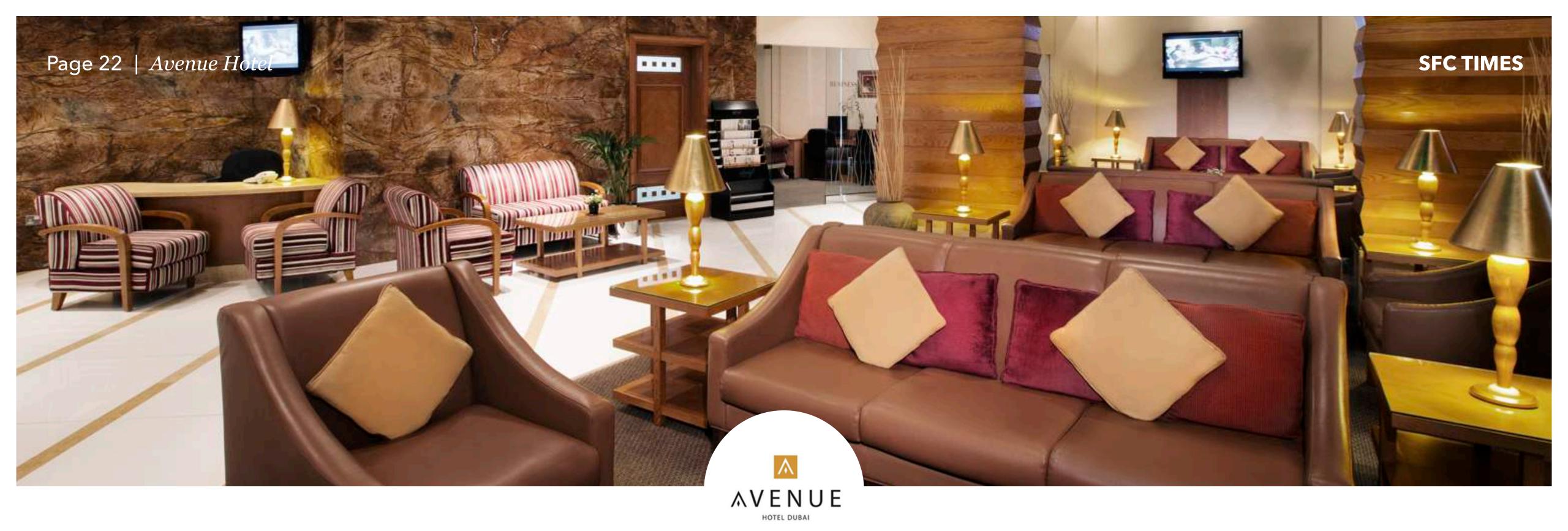












AVENUE HOTEL & LEISURE

EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Keeping a company alive is a great task.
We owe our success to your
able leadership.



Abdul Kunhi *Housekeeping Front of the House*



Prasanth Acharya

Engineer

Heart of the House

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

We appreciate your hard work and enthusiasm!



Babu V P

Housekeeping

Front of the House



Gladys Dela Cruz
F&B General
Heart of the House



Uddhav Gautam
Front Office
Front of the House



Mohammed Khaja Engineer Heart of the House



Mohamed Meerasha

Housekeeping
Front of the House



Amarnath Chandra
Finance
Heart of the House

EASTER CELEBRATION AT AVENUE HOTEL

Avenue Hotel had celebrated Easter on April 21, 2019 with their family team members. It was an occasion where team celebrated it unanimously with delicious lunch including Easter eggs, making it truly a joyful occasion.









MY WORLD. MY DUTY.

A MOTHER'S DAY WELL SPENT

Emarati Mother's day was celebrated by inviting 100 Emarati ladies from General women's union and 30 Emarati women from Abu Dhabi business women council.







DAY CARE HOME FOR THE AGED

Van sponsored by Muralya Foundation to the Paakalveedu (A Day Care home for the old aged ladies and differently abled children) of Sree Narayana Vanitha Samithi in Kollam, Kerela, India.

SUPPORTING AUTISM

Autism awareness spread among SFC family to protect our future generation and help identify early signs of Autism in children.





INTERNATIONAL LABOR DAY

India Palace associated with Ministry of Culture and IBPG to appreciate the contribution of workers to our society. Entertainment programs were organized and Vouchers were distributed. Focus on appreciating the importance and contribution of labor to UAE society. We acknowledge their efforts and hard work towards nation building.





TALENT BEYOND WORK

Shamsher Singh

"I joined on 18/01/2018 as a heavy duty driver, I am Very happy and proud to be part of SFC Family. Dance is my passion, I started to perform from very young age since schooling. I also received many prizes.

I'm really thankful to company for giving us the platform to continue our passion and perform at our Annual party."

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Happy New Year!

The beginning of new year was celebrated with a fabulous get together. A dinner party was hosted by our ever-gracious Managing Director, K. Muraleedharan, on 4th January'19.

All staff enjoyed the party with fun-filled games, dance, competitions and sumptuous dinner.



















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Held under the patronage of the Ministry of Tolerance, India
Palace participated in Holi celebrations organized on
15th March'19, to celebrate 'Colours of Friendship' at
Khalifa Park, Abu Dhabi.

This event included a carnival atmosphere with rain dance, colour cannons, Indian drums, food stalls, carnival games and more.











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SHARP 2019 was held on 19 th March'19 at ISC, Abu Dhabi. Event highlighted the Glimpse of SFC's Past, Talent Competitions, Loyalty award, Circle of Excellence Awards given to the Top Employees, Grand Buffet, Star of the Night, Grand Raffle and many more great prizes with music and dancing. This was a night of fun, glitter, glamour and beauty!









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COFFEE TALK

March 26-27, 2019

Abu Dhabi: Starbucks Mushrif

Dubai: Pastel Café, Garhoud

Managers of India Palace, Golden Dragon and Sthan have met to discuss on enhancing "Employee Engagement" in every restaurant.

Highlights of the discussion are the following:

- *Putting team to achieve one goal.
- *Building the team together
- *Participation on any activities
- *Recognition of efforts done.
- *Direct involvement in the activities/tasks.
- *Keeping the team busy and committed to the job.





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The SFC Group wishes the Capricorns, Aquarius', Pisces' and Aries' of our work-family a very Happy Birthday!

You are a vital part of our organization!
As your colleague, I have learned something new, shared a story or two and worked together for a vision larger than just you and me! May you celebrate your birthday knowing that you have added to everyone's livelihood!

Have a great year ahead!









"TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK"

- SFC TIMES Editorial Team



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SFC PLUS Content Coordinator



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Corporate Excellence Officer

SFC Group and India Palace

WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST!

As we come out with Vol. 7 of the SFC TIMES Newsletter - I would like to thank you all for the active participation and enthusiasm. I hope this will be a forum to interact and exchange our ideas and creativity. Best regards."

Please pour in your valuable comments and suggestions to improve the newsletter in any way at *marcomm@indiapalace.ae*



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