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## Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort Human Resources Hosts Star at Industry Awards Night



Peter Hopgood (third from right) with the Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort human resources team. Naveen Lakshmaiya, far right.

**CORAL COAST, FIJI** - Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort staff have taken home a swag of awards from the Fiji Human Resources Awards Night held at the Pearl Resort in Pacific Harbour.

Naveen Lakshmaiya, director of human resources, won a Gold Achievement Level Award and was named Human Resources Executive of the Year.

Human Resources Rising Star of the Year Awards went to Siteri Seru and Rachel Dean while Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort won the Learning and Development Program of the Year Award and the Health, Safety and Well-Being of the Year Award. Outrigger hosts also took out the award for Best Dressed Team.

The resort's director of human resources, Naveen Lakshmaiya, said Fiji had extraordinary potential in the field of human resources.

"We need to create a unique environment where individuals can grow, showcase their talent and seize the opportunity. While we need to grow our businesses, as an employer, we have a responsibility to develop human resources in advancing Fiji forward.

“We handed in high-quality submissions from a very young team. This, in itself, is a great achievement. A 100-page submission by each individual was no mean feat.

“Sixty percent of our workforce is young and when they are ready with the necessary skills set, they are promoted internally and that’s what Outrigger Fiji is all about,” he said.

Outrigger Fiji general manager Peter Hopgood said he was extremely proud of his HR team.

“They have undertaken independent study at university to further develop their skills and the results at the FHRI awards were a wonderful reward for their hard work and dedication,” he said.

#### **ABOUT OUTRIGGER FIJI BEACH RESORT**

Located on the Coral Coast of the main island of Viti Levu, Outrigger Fiji delivers culturally authentic guest experiences where guests can connect with each other, their beautiful Fijian hosts and the destination. The accent is on providing five-star, beachfront accommodation while retaining authentic elements of the traditional Fijian village. One of the trademarks of the resort is the Meimei nannies program, an affordable service staffed by trained, professional nannies which allows parents to enjoy time together, safe in the knowledge that their children are in caring, capable hands. It is supported by an extensive daily activities schedule, two kids’ clubs and a teens’ program. The resort features a large, family-oriented pool and an adults-only pool with swim-up bar and bistro. Adults can also relax at the resort’s Bebe Spa Sanctuary located high on a hill overlooking the resort with views across the coral fringed lagoon. In addition to a number of family-friendly restaurants, the resort also features its signature, adults-only restaurant Ivi, the ideal choice for parents looking for that special dining occasion. Outrigger Fiji Beach Resort is that place where families find themselves at one with their destination and its people.

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