

Hyderabad Calling!

Say Airport Hotel and you might think of standard business hotels. Right? Well not really. Step into Novotel Hyderabad Airport Hotel and you feel you have entered into an expansive resort that offers you a unique break. **Bindu Gopal Rao** checks in and finds out more...



(Top) The hotel's exterior façade; (Right) The relaxing poolside deck



Coming back to the city you have grown up in has a charm like no other. For me that city is Hyderabad and when I had an opportunity to go back, I jumped at it. For starters, the trip started on the right note with my choice of flight and timing being well taken care of. On landing at the airport, I noticed a special exclusive kiosk dedicated to Novotel Hyderabad Airport and was

welcomed by an executive who then whisked me to an exclusive parking area for the vehicle that was waiting for me. Well, this is one of the perks of staying at a hotel owned by the GMR group (who have built the airport) and managed by French hospitality brand Novotel! I was also told that the hotel run complimentary shuttle service from the airport to the hotel once in 20 minutes for all guests. The best part however

is that in about four minutes I found myself at the porch of the hotel! After a warm welcome, I was led to my room (well, this is a 305 room property) which was located in the A Wing of the hotel on the 6th floor – the premium wing. The well equipped room is done up in shades of cream, olive green and brown and has a stunning view of not just the pool but the green countryside and famed rocks of the city.