

Service apartment on rent at heritage Park Mansion

FEEL OF RAJ DAYS The interiors actually date back to the British times

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KOLKATA: The erstwhile British capital of India will now have a state-of-the-art service apartment with heritage interiors that actually date back to the British era.

Hotel major Apeejay Surrendra Group on Saturday unveiled a 3-BHK service apartment at the historic Park Mansion on Park Street. Incidentally, both the Apeejay Surrendra Group building and the heritage building located on a mammoth 1.77 acres were established in the same year, 1910, 37 years before India got independence.

"The service apartment is a little over 5,300 sq feet. We would be giving it on rent for a minimum period of 11 months. Residents of this service apartment would get 24x7 hours security service, concierge and butler services and exclusive clubbing membership at Park Hotel adjacent to Park



■ A view of the service apartment on Park Street.

Mansion," said Sunny Chowdhury, CEO of Apeejay Real Estate. The 3bhk service apartment consists of an open-air terrace, dining hall, kitchen with utensils and accessories, a drawing room and a study room.

"We are actually targeting consulates, expats on deputations and a few industrialists from the city and abroad. We have vacant floors in this building and around 10 such service

apartments are expected to come up in future depending on the demand," said Chowdhury.

Although Apeejay officially refused to comment on the rent, it is expected that each service apartment would cost around ₹3.5 lakh a month.

Built by Armenian jute merchant TM Thaddeus the architectural style of the building is a mix of Victorian and Indo-Sarcen with a British-style

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interiors and touch of Indian architectural details on the façade with bulbous domes on the room. Apeejay Surrendra Group acquired it in 1976.

"We actually roped in British architect Michael Veal to design the service apartment. He is an expert in British and Armenian architecture," said Chowdhury.