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**Kochi:** Bolgatty Palace Hotel of tourism department has returned to its normal operations. After the pandemic started, the hotel had been converted into a paid quarantine facility.

Now, the hotel has resumed its normal operations with an objective of attracting more tourists, especially the domestic tourists. "We have resumed our normal operations. We had tie ups with online food chains to supply our cuisines, which we had to stop following the restrictions as part of Covid-19 control. Now, we have resumed the service as well," an official with Bolgatty Palace Hotel said. "Now, we have 60 rooms with us. Most of the guests are those who visit Kochi for business purposes. With the government relaxing the restrictions for weddings and such events, we expect that more bookings for conducting such events will start soon," the official said.

Other destinations and properties of the tourism department are gearing up for resuming the operations. Government has allotted Rs 98 lakh for renovation of Ezhattumugam Prakrithigramam Park. The work has been awarded to the irrigation division. Major components are renovation of restaurant, rest rooms, sewage treatment plant, kids park, etc. The department will soon set up 'Balitharpana mandapam' at Ashramam kadav near Kalady on the banks of river Periyar.