

Kalpataru plans to file draft papers for IPO next quarter

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City-based real estate developer Kalpataru Ltd may file the draft papers for a ₹2,000 crore initial public offering (IPO) in the first quarter of next fiscal, two people aware of the plans said.

The IPO will largely comprise a fresh issue of shares, and an offer for sale of ₹250 crore, the people cited above said seeking anonymity. The net proceeds will primarily be used to fund its expansion.

“As far as the company’s strengths are concerned, the promoters have a good track record and brand name. Kalpataru has the ability to identify and acquire suitable land parcels for development while having a strong portfolio on ongoing projects in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region”, said one of the people cited above.

Kalpataru has hired Axis Capital, ICICI Securities, Nomura, JM Financial and SBI Capital Markets as book running lead managers to the IPO, they added.

Email query sent to the company remained unanswered.

Founded in 1969, Kalpataru develops commercial, retail, residential and lifestyle gated communities, besides townships and redevelopment projects. It also caters to property and project management and construction (EPC) contracts for power transmission and infrastructure projects including road projects, warehousing and logistics.

According to its website, the



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firm is present in Pune, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Indore, Noida and Dubai. Some of its projects are Kalpataru Park Riveria, Vista, Vienta, Magnus, Serenity, Elitus, Parkcity, Namaah and Eternia. Its commercial projects include Kalpataru Infinia, Summit and Avenue.

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more than ₹85,754 crore, while nearly ₹55,620 crore of public offers are yet to receive Sebi approval.

Arun Kejriwal, market expert, Kejriwal Research said: “The Adani

debacle (Hindenburg report) can have a chilling effect on the upcoming IPOs. Due to this, valuations will take a hit. Only those companies which come with money on the table will make the cut. Investors will be even more conscious this time if companies come with higher valuations. More so, if the pricing of an IPO is not justified, investors may ignore such issues. The role of valuations will be paramount in most of the cases.”