

Avendus Capital advises Creador on its USD 45 million stake sale in Sapphire Foods India

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Arinjaya (Mauritius) Ltd (Creador), sold 4.2% stake in Sapphire Foods India worth USD 45 million (INR 378 crore). The transaction was executed at INR 1,400 per share, a minimal 3.2% discount to previous day's closing price. The transaction saw GIC (Government of Singapore) anchoring a majority of the deal.

Avendus Capital was the sole advisor to Creador on this transaction.

Gaurav Sood, Managing Director & Head, Equity Capital Markets, Avendus Capital said, "We are delighted to partner with Creador on their stake sale in Sapphire Foods India. The QSR sector is a great play on the India consumption story with evolving demographics. It continues to witness high investor interest across cycles from marquee long only foreign and domestic funds alike."

Abha Agarwal, Managing Director & Co-head, Consumer, Financial Institutions Group and Business Services Investment Banking, Avendus Capital said, "Sapphire Foods, with its strong management team, robust processes, and two formidable global brands, stands out as one of the few well-established platforms in the QSR space. We are confident that the company will continue to be highly attractive to top-tier investors through its value creation journey."

Sapphire Foods India is primarily engaged in the franchise business of KFC and Pizza Hut restaurants in India and is one of the largest franchisees of YUM brands in the Indian subcontinent in terms of revenue.

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