

HUTCH deepens sustainability footprint in retail with fourth Signature+ Outlet in Galle



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HUTCH Sri Lanka has launched its fourth Signature+ outlet in Galle, further strengthening its sustainability-focused retail expansion following openings in

Colombo Fort, Kandy, and Negombo.

The Signature+ concept introduces a new approach to retail design, with nearly 90 percent of outlet interiors crafted from sustainably sourced, repurposed materials. Reclaimed pallet wood, kumburu seeds, arecanut leaves, and banana bark are transformed into premium fixtures by local craftsmen, promoting circular economy practices while supporting communities.

The Galle outlet, like others in the Signature+ network, operates on renewable energy and provides a safe e-waste disposal facility for end-of-life devices. Beyond sustainability, the outlet offers customers a welcoming environment to explore HUTCH products and services.

HUTCH's parent company, CK Hutchison Group, operates over 17,000 retail outlets globally, including more than 4,000 green retail locations. Nearly 65 percent of the power used across its global telecommunications networks comes from renewable energy, reflecting the group's commitment to sustainable operations.

Saumitra Gupta, CEO, HUTCH Sri Lanka, said, "Our new Signature+ outlet to serve the people of Galle is perhaps our most profound yet. Our environmental sustainability focus resonates with Galle's UNESCO World Heritage status. Here, the conservation of archaeology and the environment converge to complement each other greatly."

He further emphasized Sri Lanka's commitment to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 and HUTCH's efforts to support this national goal through sustainable retail practices, infrastructure, and community engagement.

Through its Signature+ expansion, HUTCH continues to demonstrate how environmentally responsible retail design can create meaningful customer experiences while contributing to a more sustainable future.