

Chocolate Box and Lounge opens at MBD mall

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Satish Bala Malhotra, chairperson of MBD Group, launched The Chocolate Box and Lounge here today at MBD Mall

She said, "I am proud of my daughters. If their father were alive, he would have been so happy and proud to see the daughters achieving great heights. I wish we could have more daughters. I would like to convey to all that though boys and girls are equal, daughters are a real asset."

She was accompanied by her daughters Monica Malhotra Kandhari, managing director and Sonica Malhotra Kandhari, joint managing director, MBD Group.

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Monica Malhotra Kandhari (in blue), Sonica Malhotra Kandhari (in pink), and their mother during the launch of The Chocolate Box and Lounge at MBD Neopolis. TRIBUNE PHOTO: HIMANSHU MAHAJAN

run by MBD Group.

The sisters said Punjab had been special always as the family belongs to this state. So, they try to launch and start the ventures from Punjab as they consider the state auspicious, they added.

On being asked that the legacy was carried by women in a professional manner, they said the strong foundation was laid by their father.

"And it was the entire team effort of MBD Group, which is bearing fruit," they said.

The MD sisters said of course they encourage more and more womenfolk to join, without the cooperation of men, things would have not been possible.

"So men and women are equally responsible in achieving great heights," said Monica Malhotra Kandhari.

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