SUO MOTU ADVERTISEMENT CASE NO. 135 OF 2023

BEFORE THE MAHARASHTRA REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY, MUMBAI

SUO MOTU ADVERTISEMENT CASE NO. 135 OF 2023

MahaRERA on its Own Motion

.... Complainant

Versus

Sujeet Kumar Singh

.... Respondent/Promoter MahaRERA Project Registration No. P51700023535 / P51700023536

Coram: Dr Vasant Prabhu, Secretary, MahaRERA

Dr. Sujeet Singh appeared for the Promoter / Respondent.

ORDER

28th November 2023

(Through Video Conferencing)

- The MahaRERA Authority had issued a show cause notice dated 27.10.2023 to the 1. Promoter above named for issuing an advertisement in Lokmat Newspaper dated 23.09.2023 in regard to their real estate projects "Padmavati Royal Phase 1 and Padmavati Royal Phase 2," situated at Titwala, registered with MahaRERA under Project Registration Nos. P51700023535 and P51700023536 without incorporating the Quick Response (QR) Codes of the said real estate projects in the said advertisement.
- The Promoter, inspite of receiving the show cause notice dated 27.10.2023, failed to 2. show cause the same within the stipulated time period mentioned in the show cause notice.
- In this regard, a hearing was scheduled on 28.11.2023 through video conferencing 3. as per the MahaRERA Circular No. 27/2020 and MahaRERA Order No. 593/2023, when the Promoter could appear through its representative and make its submissions.
- During the course of aforementioned proceedings, the Promoter submitted that due 4.

Page 1 of 3

SUO MOTU ADVERTISEMENT CASE NO. 135 OF 2023

to inadvertence the MahaRERA Quick Response (QR) Code was not mentioned in the said advertisement. However, the MahaRERA project registration number was mentioned in the advertisement.

In this regard, it is necessary to peruse the provisions of MahaRERA Order No.
46/2023 read with MahaRERA Order No. 46A/2023, which reads as under:

"MahaRERA Order No. 46A/2023 With effect from 01.08.2023, Promoter shall prominently display the QR Code on each and every real estate project promotion/advertisement published in the mediums, in the manner and at the place as more specifically mentioned in MahaRERA Order No. 46/2023 dated 29.05.2023."

"MahaRERA Order No. 46/2023 The Promoter shall prominently display QR Code on each and every project promotion/advertisement published after 01.08.2023. The QR Code must be published in a manner that is legible, readable, and detectable with software application. The QR code must be published besides the MahaRERA Registration Number and the Website Address. The mandate as mentioned above shall apply to the mediums of promotion/advertisement and in any other medium as may be directed by the Authority."

- 6. Notwithstanding the circumstances of the present case, it has come to light that the Promoter had released an advertisement in Lokmat Newspaper dated 23.09.2023. Furthermore, the Promoter had failed to incorporate the MahaRERA QR Code within the aforementioned advertisement.
- Henceforth, it becomes manifestly clear that the Promoter stands in violation of MahaRERA Order No. 46/2023 dated 29.05.2023 read with MahaRERA Order No. 46A/2023 dated 25.07.2023.
- In view of the above a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- is imposed upon the Promoter under Section 63 for violation of MahaRERA Order No. 46/2023 dated 29.05.2023 read with MahaRERA Order No. 46A/2023 dated 25.07.2023.
- 9. The said penalty shall be payable by the Promoter within a period of 15 days from

Page 2 of 3

SUO MOTU ADVERTISEMENT CASE NO. 135 OF 2023

the date of this order, failing which a further penalty of Rs. 1,000/- per day would be imposed till compliance.

- 10. The Technical and Finance Departments of the MahaRERA Authority are mandated to authenticate the payment of the penalty prior to initiating the processing of any applications, including but not limited to extensions, corrections, and change of name, pertaining to the specified project.
- 11. In view of the above, the present case stands disposed of.

(Dr. Vasant Prabhu)

Secretary, MahaRERA