

**BEFORE THE MAHARASHTRA
REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY, MUMBAI**
Virtual Hearing held through video conference as per
MahaRERA Circular No.: 27/2020

REGULATORY CASE NO. 97 OF 2023

PROMOTER NAME AADI DEVELOPERS

PROJECT NAME LA PROMENADE BAYWALK

MAHARERA PROJECT REGISTRATION NO. P51700003336

ORDER

(Extension application)

November 23, 2023

(Date of hearing – 08.11.2023 matter reserved for order)

Coram: Shri Ajoy Mehta, Chairperson, MahaRERA

Advocate Parth Chande for the Promoter

1. AADI DEVELOPERS is the Promoter/Developer within the meaning of Section 2(zk) of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 ("**said Act**") of Real Estate Regulatory Authority ("**RERA**") and had registered the project "LA PROMENADE BAYWALK" under section 5 of the said Act bearing MAHARERA **Registration No. P51700003336** (hereinafter referred to as the "**said Project**").
2. The Promoter has filed an extension application No. EXT51700017564 on 13.09.2023 (hereinafter referred to as "**said extension application**") seeking for extension of the said Project under section 7(3) of the said Act which was heard by this Authority on 08.11.2023 wherein the following roznama was recorded:
*"Promoter states that the Project registration lapsed on 30.09.2023. The Promoter states that the Project was slow because they could not achieve sales and presently, they have sold only 50% of the Project. However, they have completed about 80% of the Project and confirmed that they would complete the Project soon.
The Promoter seeks extension upto 30.09.2024.
Promoter states that all compliances have been filed except Form 1 which he confirms will be filed today itself.
Matter is reserved for order."*

3. The Promoter brought to the notice of the Authority a typographical error in the roznama dated 08.11.2023 which was rectified by the Authority on 23.11.2023. Pursuant to the rectification the extension date for the captioned matter shall now read as 30.09.2025. The rectification roznama dated 23.11.2023 is reproduced hereunder for ease of reference:

"1. The Applicant Promoter has brought to notice vide a rectification application dated 20.11.2023 in the captioned regulatory case seeking to rectify a typographical error in the roznama dated 08.11.2023 (hereinafter referred to as "the said roznama") wherein, the date till which the extension is sought mentioned at para No.2 is inadvertently mentioned as "30.09.2024" instead of "30.09.2025".

2. In view of the above the typographical error is hereby rectified and date of extension sought in the said roznama shall now read as '30.09.2025'.

3. The remaining part of the said roznama shall remain the same and this rectification roznama to be read along with the said roznama."

4. Before moving ahead, the Authority notes the registration details already on record. The Promoter while seeking registration of the said Project had submitted the date of completion as 30.06.2019. MahaRERA granted three (3) extensions on the ground of Covid-19 pandemic which were granted to all the projects registered with MahaRERA and qualifying under Notifications / Orders Nos. 13, 14 & 21 dated 02.04.2020, 18.05.2020 & 06.08.2021 respectively along with extension granted under Section 6 and two Section 7(3) of the said Act whereby the date of completion was extended up to 30.09.2023. The Promoter states that the Project was slow due to covid-19 pandemic which also affected sales and presently, they have sold only 50% of the units in the Project. However, they have completed about 80% of the construction of the said Project. Further the Promoter has applied for part occupancy certificate (OC) and is awaiting the same. Hence the Promoter has applied for extension vide the said extension application herein under section 7(3) of the said Act for the period from 01.10.2023 to 30.09.2025.

5. Thus, the issue before this Authority is with regard to grant of extension under Section 7(3) of the said Act. In this regard it is pertinent to note that the Promoter this time has not been able to obtain 2/3rd majority consents of the Allottees of

the said Project. In this context the relevant extract of Section 7(3) is reproduced hereinbelow for ease of reference:

"7 (3) The Authority may, instead of revoking the registration under sub-section (1), permit it to remain in force subject to such further terms and conditions as it thinks fit to impose in the interest of the allottees, and any such terms and conditions so imposed shall be binding upon the promoter."

On the plain reading of Section 7(3) of the said Act, it is clear that instead of revoking the registration this Authority can impose certain terms and conditions as it thinks fit to let the registration remain in force.

6. The following observations are noteworthy before examining the issue of grant of extension under Section 7(3) of the said Act.:
 - a. That the said Project had lapsed since 30.09.2023.
 - b. The Promoter states that the Project was slow due to covid-19 pandemic which also affected sales and presently, they have sold only 50% of the units in the Project.
 - c. That they have completed about 80% of the construction of the Project.
 - d. Further the Promoter has applied for part occupancy certificate (OC) and is awaiting the same.
7. Moving further, the issue of the extension under Section 7(3) of the said Act as sought by the Promoter without 2/3rd consents of the Allottees needs to be examined in light of the above-mentioned fact. The Authority would like to bring on record the statements of objects and reasons of the said Act which are reproduced hereinbelow for ease of reference:

"An Act to establish the Real Estate Regulatory Authority for regulation and promotion of the real estate sector and to ensure sale of plot, apartment or building, as the case may be, or sale of real estate project, in an efficient and transparent manner and to protect the interest of consumers in the real estate sector and to establish an adjudicating mechanism for speedy dispute redressal and also to establish the Appellate Tribunal to hear appeals from the decisions, directions or orders of the Real Estate Regulatory Authority and the adjudicating officer and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto."

On perusal of the above it is clear that the whole aim of the said Act has been to promote the real estate sector in an efficient and transparent manner and protect

the interest of the consumers (*including home buyers / Allottees*). Thus, by not extending the registration of the said Project the same shall be stalled. The Promoter shall not be able to take action for efficient completion as may be required in view of the lack of registration. Such an action will only be detrimental to the interest of the consumers (*including home buyers / Allottees*). Thus, the balance of convenience lies in allowing the extension with such condition so as to ensure completion. Thus, the Authority grants extension to the registration of the said Project from 01.10.2023 to 30.09.2025. Needless to say, this extension will be without prejudice to the rights of the Allottees under the said Act. In view thereof, this Authority allows the said extension application keeping the rights of the Allottees intact with certain directions hereinbelow.

FINAL ORDER

The said extension application is **allowed** and the extension for the said Project is granted from 01.10.2023 to 30.09.2025 with the following conditions:

- A. The Promoter shall complete the balance construction work and obtain OC by 30.09.2025. Needless to say, the Allottees of the said Project shall co-operate with the Promoter. That the rights of the Allottees under the said Act shall however remain intact.
- B. The Promoter is directed to submit within 15 days of this order the PERT CPM / BAR charts about the milestones to be achieved with respect to the completion of the said Project. The same shall also be shared with the Allottees of the said Project.
- C. The Promoter herein is also directed to submit monthly progress reports of achievements of such milestones and/ or delay if any, to MahaRERA, the Association of Allottees, if any formed and the Allottees of the said Project.
- D. That upon receipt of the OC the Promoter shall inform this Authority about the same and update all progress on the said Project registration webpage from time to time.

(Ajoy Mehta)
Chairperson, MahaRERA