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

REGULATORY CASE NO. 134 OF 2024

PROMOTER NAME

SIDDHARTH PROPERTIES

PROJECT NAME

SAARRTHI SKYBAY II

MAHARERA PROJECT REGISTRATION NO. P52100016176

RECTIFICATION ORDER

(In an extension application)

February 1, 2024

(Date of hearing – 12.01.2024 matter reserved for order)

- A typographical error has been observed in the final order dated 16.01.2023 (herein after referred to as the said 'final order') in the captioned regulatory complaint wherein the year in the date of the said final order is inadvertently mentioned as 2023 instead of 2024.
- 2. In view of the above the typographical error is hereby rectified and the year in the date of the said final order shall now read as '2024' and the said final order in the complaint shall now be dated as 16.01.2024.
- 3. Further, the remaining part of the said final order shall remain the same and this rectification order (*suo-motu*) to be read along with the said final order.

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

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ORDER

(In an extension application)

January 16, 2023

(Date of hearing – 12.01.2024 matter reserved for order)

Coram: Shri Ajoy Mehta, Chairperson, MahaRERA Advocate Amruta Salukhe present for Promoter.

- SIDDHARTH PROPERTIES 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 "SAARRTHI SKYBAY II" under section 5 of the said Act bearing MAHARERA Registration No. P52100016176 (hereinafter referred to as the "said Project").
- 2. The Promoter has filed an extension application No. EXT52100018447 on 27.12.2023 (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 12.01.2024 wherein the following roznama was recorded:

"Promoter states that they are seeking extension till 30.09.2024. The construction is almost completed and only finishing work remains. Promoter states that they have complied with the filing of QPRs. The Promoter avers that they were not able to obtain consents as a number of allottees are NRIs.

Matter is reserved for orders."

- 3. 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 31.12.2021. 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 whereby the date of completion was extended up to 30.12.2023. The Promoter states that extension is required as construction is almost completed and only finishing work is pending and hence seeks extension for completion of finishing work. 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 <u>31.12.2023 to 30.09.2024</u>.
- 4. 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.

- 5. The Authority observes that the Promoter has not complied with compliances mandated under RERA. Below are the pending compliances:
 - a) Form 1 for two quarter pending.
 - b) Form 2 for two quarter pending.
 - c) Form 3 for two quarter pending.
 - d) Form 2A for year 2022-2023.

- e) Form 5 for year 2022-2023.
- 6. 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. Further the Authority also notes that this extension under Section 7(3) is the first extension and the same needs to be granted so that the completion of the said Project is not jeopardised. Thus, the Authority grants extension to the registration of the said Project from 31.12.2023 to 30.09.2024. 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 <u>31.12.2023 to 30.09.2024</u> with the following conditions:

- A. The Promoter shall complete the balance construction work and obtain OC by <u>30.09.2024</u>. 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 comply with all the pending compliances as stated herein on or before 31.01.2024.
- C. 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.
- D. 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.
- E. 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.

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(Ajoy Mehta) Chairperson, MahaRERA