BEFORE THE

MAHARASHTRA REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

MUMBAI

- 1. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023689 Nitin Arun Thakur
- 2. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023687 Rajesh Sonebapu Mundhe
- COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023640 Manji Ramji Bhrasadia
- 4. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023629 Nandkishor Krishna Kudtarkar
- 5. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023641 Bhavan Valji Barvadia
- 6. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023691 Manish Pravin Metha
- 7. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023636 Vithal Ramchandra Parte
- 8. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023638 Bhavesh Murji Patel
- 9. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023639 Kavita Kamlesh Patel
- 10. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023646 Santosh Daji Parab
- 11. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023681 Narendra Jain
- 12. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023678 Jayshree Shrikant khopade
- 13. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023644 Himmatkumar Vishrambhai Rabhadia
- 14. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023674 Sushila Nana Savekar
- 15. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023648 Mangesh Vasaant Shirsekar

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- 16. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023676 Sanjay gajanan kadam
- 17. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000023690 Ravindra Jawantraj Rathod
- 18. COMPLAINT NO: CC00600000054724 Krishnendu Sen

Complainants

Versus

Rohan Developers Pvt Ltd MahaRERA Regn. No. P51900001899 ... Respondent

Corum: Shri. Gautam Chatterjee, Chairperson, MahaRERA

Complainants were themselves present a/w Mr. Balasaheb Deshmukh, Adv. Respondent was represented by Mr. Bhoumik Vaidya, Adv. (i/b Kanga & Co.).

Order

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July 5, 2018

- 1. The Complainants, in their complaints, have alleged that even though the said project was started in 2010, the Respondent has failed to complete the construction of the said project and handover possession of their apartments till date. They have also alleged that the Respondent has wilfully delayed the completion of the said project with the intension of maximising profits. Therefore, they prayed that the Respondent be directed to pay interest, on delay, as per the provisions of section 18 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 and to commit to a reasonable timeline for handing over possession of their apartments.
- 2. The Learned Counsel for the Respondent submitted the project could not be completed for reasons beyond the Respondent's control. Specifically, he submitted that the project work was delayed due to a dispute with the contractor with respect to the pace of the construction, delays in obtaining sanctions and approvals from the concerned authorities, including MHADA and payment of exorbitant premium to be paid to such authorities due to change of policy, etc. Further, he submitted that due to the project work being prolonged on account of the aforesaid factors, the cost of the project has escalated and the estimated receivables are much lesser than the cost required to complete the said project, as all of the apartments have been sold long ago. However, he submitted that the Respondent has arranged for the deficit finance on his own so that he can

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complete the said project. Therefore, he submitted that the Complainants' contentions that the project work was delayed to maximise profits is unjustified. The delay in the project has resulted in huge losses for the promoter, he added. He submitted that the project work is now almost complete and that the Respondent is already in the process of obtaining the occupation certificate for the same and is committing to handover possession of the apartments within the next four months. He also submitted that some of the Complainants have delayed in making timely payments to the Respondent as per the payment schedule and that the Respondent has not charged them any interest for the same. Finally, he submitted that several of the Complainants have executed the agreements for sale in 2017 with full knowledge that the project work has been delayed.

- 3. As per the provisions of Rule 4 of the Maharashtra Real Estate (Regulation and Development) (Registration of Real Estate Projects, Registration of Real Estate Agents, Rates of Interest and Disclosures on Website) Rules, 2017 the revised date of possession for an ongoing project has to be commensurate with the extent of balance development. The timeline of further four months as submitted by the Respondent is commensurate with the extent of balance development.
- 4. In view of the above facts, the Respondent shall, therefore, handover possession of the apartments to the Complainants before the period of October 31, 2018, failing which the Respondent shall be liable to pay interest to the Complainants from November 1, 2018 till the actual date of possession, on the entire amount paid by the Complainants to the Respondent. The said interest shall be at the rate as prescribed under Rule 18 of the Maharashtra Real Estate (Regulation and Development) (Registration of Real Estate Projects, Registration of Real Estate of Interest and Disclosures on Website) Rules, 2017.
- 5. Consequently, the matter is hereby disposed of.

Chairperson, MahaRERA