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April 10, 2013

Ref. No.: MCHI/PRES/12-13/129

To,

Shri Rajeev Kukunur,

Chief Engineer (DP)

Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai

Municipal Head Office,

Mahapalika Marg, Mumbai - 400 001

Sub: Suggestion/Objection on Norms relating to Glass Facade/Glass Walls

for the buildings

MCGM's Letter CHE/40703/DP/GEN dtd 7th March 2013 Ref:

Dear Sir,

With reference to your above letter MCHI CREDAI carried out some suggestions/conclusions on norms relating to Glass walls, Glass Facade. According to the Fire Safety Measures which are already signed by Chief Fire Officer of MCGM we MCHI CREDAI would like to give our inputs for your kind consideration as follows

Sr. No.	Points for Discussions	Suggestions	Conclusion
1	Ventilation system in Glass cladded building National/ International Norms	1) Natural ventilation system as specified by CFO % openable window (CFO to specify the same)	Natural ventilation system as specified by CFO % openable window (CFO to specify the same)
		OR 1) Fully glazed window with Mechanical ventilation system a) Smoke free corridors with mechanical smoke vent system 2) Pressurised staircase and lobbies	OR Fully glazed window with Mechanical ventilation system a) Smoke free corridors with mechanical smoke vent system b) pressurized staircase and lobbies

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Sr.	Points for	Suggestions	Conclusion
No.	Discussions		
2	Ventilation system required in basement	1) As per DCR/NBC 2.5% natural ventilation shaft shall be provided	As per DCR/NBC 2.5% natural ventilation shaft shall be provided
		OR	OR
		1) Alternative system of Mechanical Ventilation system with 30 air changes in case of Fire	Alternative system of Mechanical Ventilation system with number of air changes as decided by CFO in case of Fire
3	Compartments in basements	1) As per DCR compartments are required on Upper Floors only (not required for basements)	No compartmentisation for basements used for Parking with proper Mechanical Fresh Air/Smoke Ventilation system
		2) As per NBC compartments are required for Floors	
-		3) As per MODEL Building Bye Law of Urban Development Department Government of India (2004) no compartmentisation is required in case of basements used for parking	,
4	Independent Mechanised car parking requires separate staircase	1) As per CFO is required 2) International consultant opined that it is not required	Decision is pending



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5	Maximum 3 m	1) Separate report is	
	setback from	already put up by	-
	Podium to building	DP department for	
	line	not insisting the	
		same as the modern	
		fire engine can access	
		horizontally	
		2) High Rise	High Rise Buildings are
		buildings shall be	not to be fought by Fire
		provided with	engine it shall be fought
		dedicated fire Lift. In	within the building
		case of Burge Khalifa	
		Building 5500 kg.	
		Firemen Lift with	
		Air-conditioned	
		Refuge Floor	
		provided at every	
		25 th floor	

Therefore, with reference to above table kindly consider our suggestion/objections in terms of norms relating to Glass Façade, Glass Walls for the buildings

Thanking you,

Yours Faithfully

For MCHI CREDAI

Paras Gundecha

President

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