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To,
Shri Aditya Thackerayji,
Honourable Minister for Environment,
Government of Maharashtra

Sub: Push towards sustainable development and green ecofriendly housing in Mumbai/MMR region

Dear Sir,

At the outset let us begin by commending you on the tremendous work put in by you and your government for our state of Maharashtra which has steered us out of a perilous situation due to the pandemic and now have put us well on the way back to recovery.

Sir, as a young and dynamic leader of this government, you are the hope of the future and your vision for Mumbai to make it in a world class city through great inter and intra city connectivity and sustainable development along with development and marketing of tourist spots in our city to bring out the vibrancy and heritage of our beautiful city, is exemplary. We assure you that we share your vision for Mumbai and are willing to work hand in hand with you for its fulfilment.

You have an instant connect with the youth and in this age of social media we urge you to use your persona and your charm as our Youth Icon to make it fashionable to be environment friendly, to bring EVs and other forms sustainable technology in the mainstream, to bring caring for our environment back in vogue. Although Environment rules and regulations are a centre subject, we as a developer body have already made a huge push amongst our community to be environmentally conscious by following construction methods and installing technologies which are eco sensitive not by force of statute but by our own free will.

Solar powered complexes, STPs, rain water harvesting, flood studies etc. are just some of the ways in which we as developers can and are helping to maintain our environmental equilibrium in light of the large scale development. We are also holding multiple seminars to promote EV and making the developers ready, to embrace the EV technology by converting existing complexes to EV friendly places and planning new ones efficiently to circumvent Challenges of EV infrastructure.

We seek a brainstorming session with you and your ministry to share with you some of the ideas to bring this vision into reality.

Some of the ways where government intervention can boost or accelerate sustainable development is handing out benefits to promote sustainable green development, like 5-10% additional FSI if the development is IGBC green certified.

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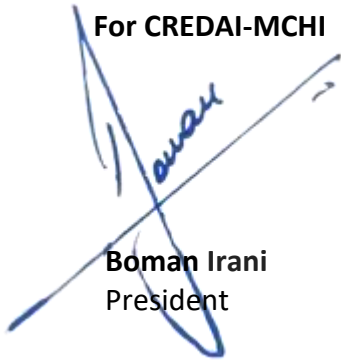
Another way could be to give 25% reduction in all premiums for a project which is again green certified. The revolution may be started through granting incentives but we are certain that once more and more such green buildings are constructed, that will be the new normal and there wouldn't be any need for incentives.

Sir, we humbly request you to enable us to be the drivers of this change and involve us in the implementation of your vision to leave behind a lasting legacy for generations to come.

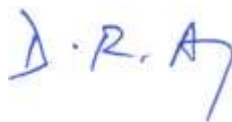
Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For CREDAI-MCHI



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