PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUTHORITY BEFORE BENCH 5

PRESIDED BY HON'BLE MEMBER G.R. REDDY

COMPLAINT NO: CMP/221119/0010369

DATED THIS 17TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2023

COMPLAINANTS

: Mr.Mani Subramani

285 Phase-2, Adarsh Palm Retreat Devarabeesanahalli, Bellandur

Bengaluru: 560 103

(Party in person)

RESPONDENT / PROMOTER

: M/s.Mantri Gardenview Homes Pvt Ltd Mantri House, # 41, Vittal Mallya Road

Bangalore: 560 001

None appeared

PROJECT NAME & REGISTRATION NO

: MANTRI BLOSSOM-2

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JUDGEMENT

This complaint is filed under Sec-18 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 before this Authority against the project MANTRI BLOSSOM-2 praying for a direction to Refund the amount paid with Interest.

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BRIEF FACTS OF THE COMPLAINT ARE AS UNDER:

1. As per the details furnished by the Complainant in the memo of calculation, the complainant has paid a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakhs only) towards purchase of an apartment in the project known as Mantri Blossom bearing unit no.D502 on 28.03.2018. Before entering into agreement, the complainant due to some personal inconvenience cancelled the booking on 20.04.2018 itself and intimated the same through email dated 20.04.2018. Since then the complainant has been trying to reach the respondent over telephone, email communication etc., the respondent did not respond nor refunded the booking amount paid by the complainant. Hence, the complainant has filed the above complaint before the Authority praying for following relief and the same is admissible for relief in accordance with Section 18 of the Act.

REFUND OF THE BOOKING AMOUNT

- 2. After registration of the complaint, notice was sent to both the complainant and respondent to appear before the Authority. Complainant has appeared before the Authority filed memo of calculation for refund with interest together with supporting documents and served the same on the respondent. The respondent has not entered appearance and filed any statement of objections.
- 3. From the information furnished by the Complainant in its memo of calculation for refund with interest, it is apparent that the complainant has paid the advance amount and the respondent has received the same.



- 4. As per Section 18 of RERA Act, in case the allottee wishes to withdraw from the project the promoter is liable without prejudice to any other remedy available, to return the amount received by him in respect of that apartment, plot, building as the case may be with interest at such rate as may be prescribed in this behalf including compensation in the manner as provided under this Act. Therefore, as per Section 18 of the Act, the promoter is liable to return the amount received along with interest.
- 5. From the averments made in the complaint it is evident that complainant has paid the advance sale consideration amount and are entitled to get their amount paid along with interest as per the memo of calculation submitted by the Complainant. The Promoter-Respondent has not submitted any memo of calculation.
- 6. Therefore, it is incumbent upon the respondent to refund the amount with interest which is determined as under:

Memo of Calculation for Refund submitted by the Complainant as on 10.06.2023

| Principle amount (A) Rs. | Interest (B) As on 10.06.2023 Rs. | Refund from Promoter (C) Rs. | Total Balance Amount (A+B) Rs. |
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| 5,00,000 | 2,69,383 | | 7,69,383 |

And accordingly the Authority passes the following:

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ORDER

- 1. In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 31 read with section 18 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, the complaint Bearing **No.** CMP/221119/0010369 is hereby partly allowed.
- 2. Respondent is directed to refund a sum of **Rs. 7,69,383/-** (**Rupees Seven lakhs sixty nine thousand three hundred eighty three only**) towards refund with interest to the complainant within 60 days from the date of this order as per the calculation of the Complainant, calculated from 01/05/2017 till 10.06.2023. The interest due from 11.06.2023 up to the date of final payment will be calculated likewise and paid to the complainant. The complainant is at liberty to initiate action for recovery in accordance with law if the respondent fails to pay the amount as per the order of this Authority.

(G.R. REDDY)

MEMBER

FIFTH ADDITIONAL BENCH

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