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# Framework of RERA

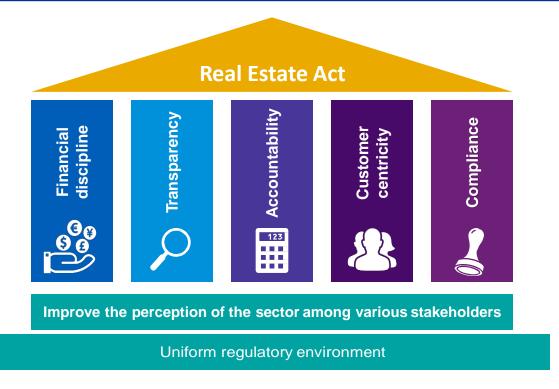
# Framework of RERA

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### Framework of MAHA RERA

Sr 1	Rules and Regulations  Maharashtra (Real Estate & Development) (Registration of real estate projects,		
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	registration of agents, rates of interest and disclosure on website) Rules 2017		
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7	Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (Recruitment and Conditions of Service of Employees) Regulations, 2017		
8	Notifications and Orders by RERA Authority		

# Pivotal pillars of the Act



COMMERCIAL and
RESIDENTIAL projects including
PLOTTED DEVELOPMENT

Land under development MORE THAN 500 SQ MTS / NO. of UNITS exceed 8

Projects which do not have COMPLETION CERTIFICATE before commencement of ACT

RENOVATION or REPAIR or REDEVELOPMENT projects not involving Marketing, Advertising, Selling & New Allotment NEED NOT BE REGISTERED

# Financial Discipline

# Fiscal discipline will play a critical role in project development and requires utmost importance



What it entails				
70% of the funds collected from allottees needs to be deposited in the project account	Withdrawals to cover construction and land cost	Withdrawals to be in proportion to the % completion method	Withdrawal to be certified by Engineer, Architect, and CA	Promoter to compensate buyer for any false or
Provision for RERA to freeze project bank account upon non-compliance	Project Accounts to be Audited / FY. Copy to be submitted to RERA	Provision for stronger financial penalties for RERA non- compliances	Interest on delay will be same for customer and promoter	incorrect statement with full refund of property cost with interest

# Structured communication is required to furnish all project related information to the customers



	What it entails				
ransparency	Number, type and carpet area of apartments	Consent from affected allottees for any major addition or alteration	Consent of 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> allottees about any other addition or alteration	No false statements or commitments in advertisement	Quarterly updating of RERA website with details such as unsold inventory and pending approvals
Trans	No arbitrary cancellation of units by promoter	Project completion time frame	Informing allottees about any minor addition or alteration	No launch or advertisement before registration with RERA	Consent of 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> allottees for transferring majority rights to 3 <sup>rd</sup> party

# Accountability

# A PMO would be required to track and monitor developments as per the defined project plan



#### What it entails

Quarterly update of project progress along with pending approvals on RERA website

Every officer of a company, who was in charge or responsible will be liable for the conduct of the company and deemed to be guilty Offence by an officer committed with the consent or connivance of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, will also be guilty

# CRM would help to enhance customer centricity focus



#### What it entails

Sharing information project plan, layout, government approvals, land title status, sub contractors

Increased assertion on the timely completion of projects and delivery to the consumer.

An increase in the quality of construction due to a defect liability period of five years.

Formation of RWA within specified time or 3 months after majority of units have been sold

Consent of 2/3<sup>rd</sup> allottees for any other addition or alteration

Consent from affected allottees for any major addition or alteration

Unbiased interest on delays

Informing allottees for any minor addition or alteration

No false statements or commitments in advertisement

# Registration of all projects & agents and a strong dispute management required



#### What it entails

Authenticated copy of all approvals, commencement certificate, sanctioned plan, layout plan, specification, plan of development work, proposed facilities, Proforma allotment letter, agreement for sale and conveyance deed to be given when applying for project registration with RERA

Registration of agents/brokers with RERA

Timely updating of RERA website

Maximum 1 year extension in case of delay due to no fault of developer

Annual audit of project accounts by a CA

Dispute resolution within 6 months at RERA and RERA appellate tribunals

Developers to share details of projects launched in last 5 years with status and reason for delay with RERA

Conveyance deed for common area in favor of RWA

Mandatory
registration of new
and existing projects
with RERA before
launch

Separate registration of different phases of a single projects

Construction and land title insurance

Quarterly update of project progress on RERA website

# Registration of a Project

#### Registration details to be provided

- Details of encumbrances on land
- Number and areas of garage for sale and open parking areas
- Name and address of real estate agents, contractors, architects, structural engineer, and other person concerned with the development of the proposed project.
- Proforma agreement for sale, and the conveyance deed.
- Sanction letter from bank for construction finance and home loan tie-ups.
- Plan of development works to be executed in the proposed project and the proposed facilities.
- Amenities: detailed note explaining the salient features of the proposed project including access to the project, design for electric supply including street lighting, water supply arrangements etc.

#### Registration details to be provided

#### Promoter details

- Pan Card of promoter
- Balance Sheet and last 3 year IT returns of the promoter and in case of new entity, last 3 years IT returns of parent entity.
- Details of project launched by promoters in last five years, including current status, details of cases and payment pending.
- Developer or group profile (name, registered address, type of enterprise etc.)
- Background and track record of promoters educational qualification, work experience, projects completed/ongoing etc.
- Litigations details of past and ongoing litigations (projects only).

#### Registration details to be provided

#### Land details

- Legal title deed reflecting the title of the promoter to the land
- Legally valid documents with authentication of land title if such land is owned by another person
- Details of encumbrances on land
- In case of JV, copy of collaboration agreement, development agreement, JV agreement etc.
- Land title search report from an advocate with 10 years experience

#### Registration details to be provided

#### **Project details**

- Agency to take up external development work
- Authenticated copy of the approvals and commencement certificate from the competent authority.
- Sanctioned plan, layout plan and specifications of the project.
- In case of phased development, sanctioned plan, layout plan and specification of the whole project.
- Plan of development works to be executed in the proposed project and the proposed facilities (such as fire-fighting, drinking water, emergency evacuation etc.
- Number, type and the carpet area of apartments for sale along with area of the exclusive balcony or verandah areas and exclusive open terrace.
- Number and areas of garage for sale and open parking areas
- Name and address of real estate agents, contractors, architects, structural engineer, and other person concerned with the development of the proposed project.

#### Registration details to be provided

#### Project details

- Proforma agreement for sale, and the conveyance deed.
- Sanction letter from bank for construction finance and home loan tie-ups.
- GIS Location Details.

#### Registration details to be provided

#### Declaration

- Declaration in Form B stating following:
  - Promoter has clear legal title to the land
  - Land is free from encumbrances and if not, details of such encumbrances
  - Project completion time period
  - Project account maintenance
  - Promoter will not discriminate against any allottee

#### Development plan

- Plan of development works to be executed in the proposed project and the proposed facilities
- Amenities: detailed note explaining the salient features of the proposed project including access to the project, design for electric supply including street lighting, water supply arrangements etc.
- Gantt Charts and Project Schedule

### Architect's Certificate- Form 1

- The Architect's certificate has to be issued in Form 1 as prescribed per MahaRERA regulations.
- The Certificate contains the details of-
  - Project Professionals involved in the construction namely-
    - Architect,
    - Structural Consultant,
    - MEP Consultant, and
    - Site Supervisor
  - Percentage of Work Completed for different buildings and/or wing forming part of the project.
  - Percentage of Work Completed for entire registered phase with respect to internal and external development work such as common amenities, water supply, internal roads etc.

# Engineer's Certificate- Form 2 and Form 2A

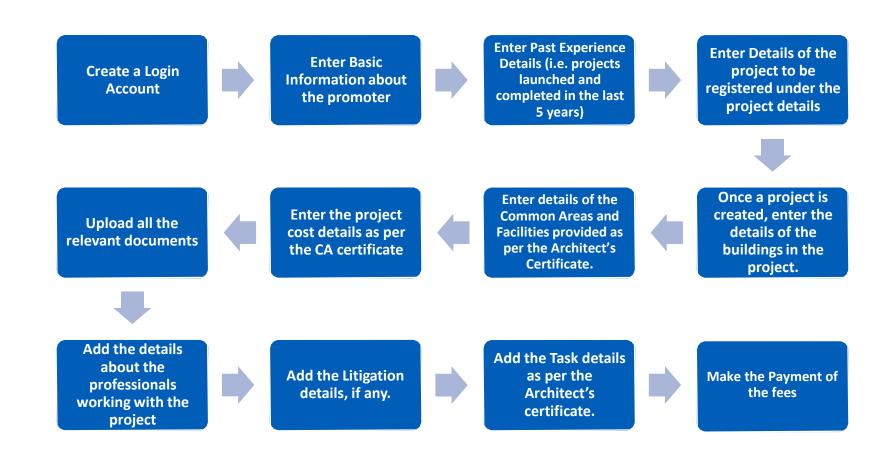
- The Engineer's Certificate has to be issued in Form 2 and 2A as prescribed per MahaRERA regulations.
- The Certificate contains the details of-
  - Project Professionals involved in the construction namely-
    - > Architect,
    - Structural Consultant,
    - MEP Consultant, and
    - Site Supervisor
  - Total Estimated Cost of project completion,
  - Estimated Costs incurred till date
  - Balance Costs to be incurred to obtain completion certificate.
- The Engineer has to certify the quality of materials used in the construction of the project as per the format prescribed by the MahaRERA authority.

### CA's Certificate-Form 3

- The CA's certificate has to be issued in Form 3 as prescribed per MahaRERA regulations.
- The Certificate contains the details (Both Estimated as well as Actual) of-
  - Land Cost, Development Cost,
  - Total Estimated Cost and actual Cost incurred
  - Percentage completion of the work (as per Architects Certificate)
  - Percentage of Cost incurred to estimated costs
  - Withdrawable amount from the designated bank account after considering the amount already withdrawn till date.
- The CA has to attach his workings as per prescribed format as per MahaRERA (i.e. Annexure A to Form 3).

# Registration Process





### Document Checklist to be uploaded on the MahaRERA Portal

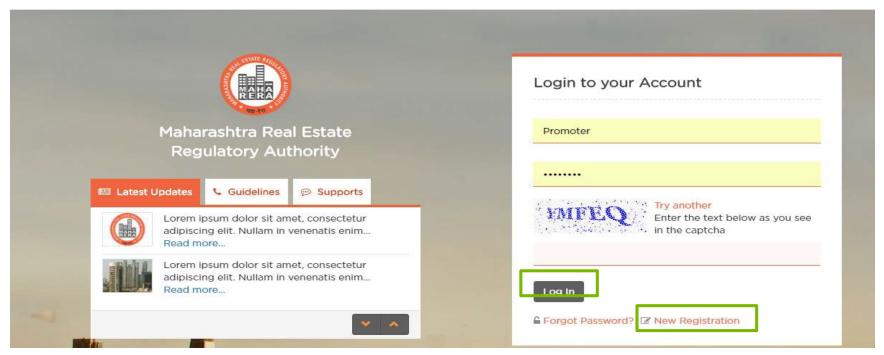
- PAN Card
- Copy of Legal Title Report
- Details of encumbrances
- Copy of Layout Approval
- Proforma Allotment Letter and agreement for sale
- Declaration in Form B

- Certificates of Architect (Form 1)
- Commencement Certificate
- Building Plan Approval
- Certificates of Engineer (Form 2)
- Certificates of CA (Form 3)
- Certificates of CA (Form 5)
- Certificates of Architects (Form 4)
- Status of Conveyance
- Form 2A
- Status of formation of legal entity (society/Co op etc.)

# Promoter Registration - Login

#### Step 1

The Promoter should login to the MAHARERA website and click on Login

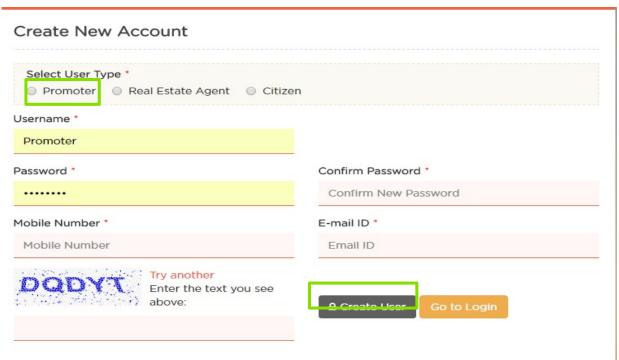


For first time login, click on "New Registration"

# **Promoter Registration - Login**

#### Step 2

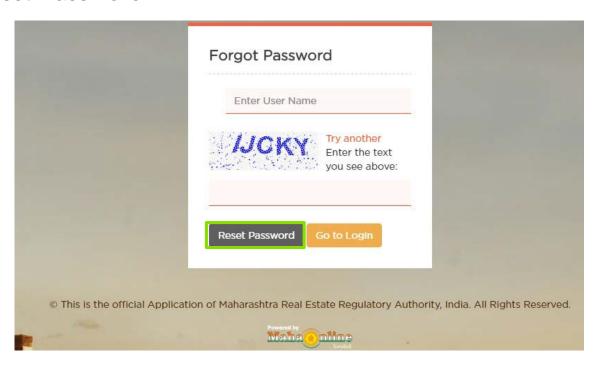
Enter details for new Registration. Select User type as "Promoter". Once all the requisite details such as password, email ID, etc are entered, then click on the "Create User" button.



# Promoter Registration - Login

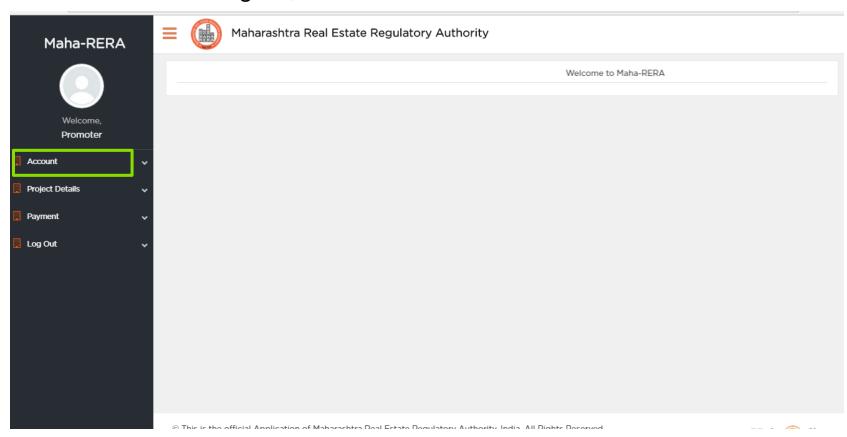
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In case it is a returning user and has forgotten his/her password, click on the "Forgot Password" tab on the Login page. The following screen will appear. Enter the details and then "Reset Password"



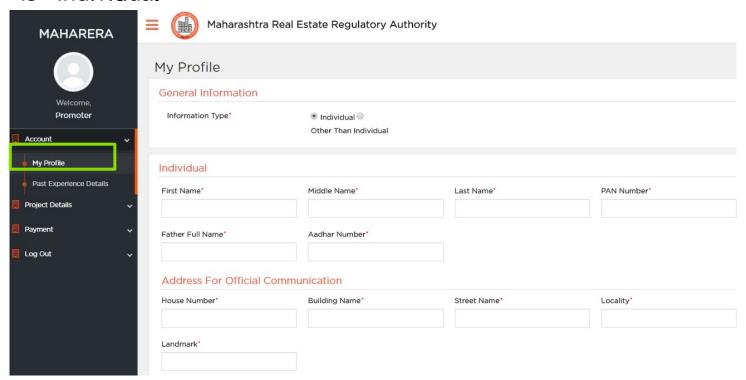
#### Step 4

Once the Promoter logs in, he/she first has to click on "Account"



#### Step 5

After clicking on "My Profile" within "Account", the Promoter needs to enter individual information, address for official communication, etc, when the information type selected is "Individual"



### Step 6

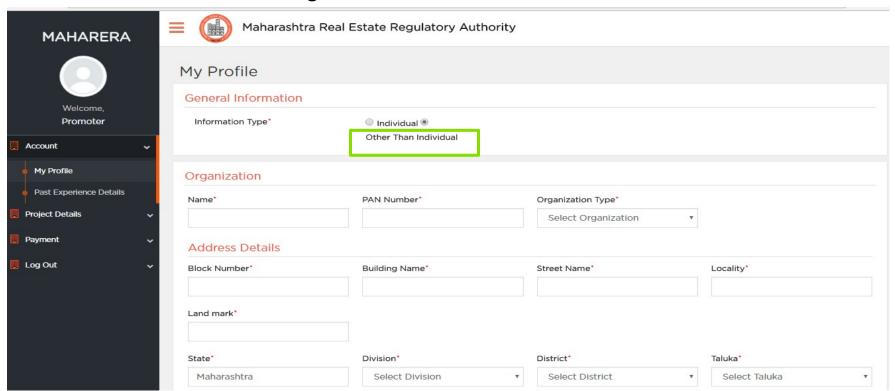
The next step involves uploading a profile picture if the Information type is selected as "Individual". Click on "Upload Profile Picture" under "Account".



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#### Step 5

After clicking on "My Profile" within "Account", if Information type is "Other than individual" then the following details need to be filled



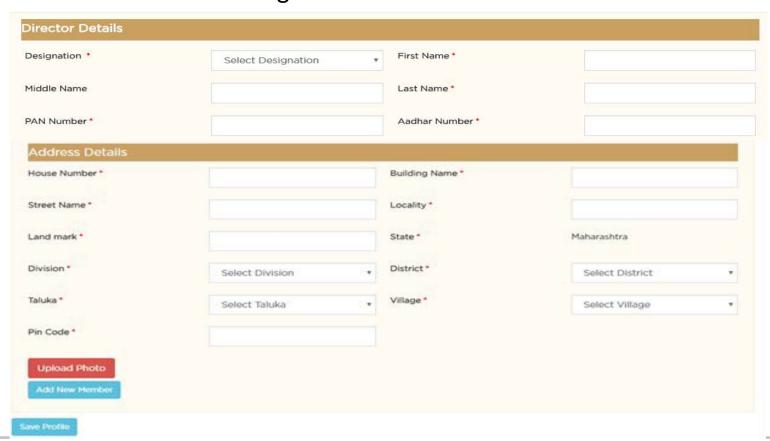
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State*	Division*	District*	Taluka*
Maharashtra	Select Division ▼	Select District ▼	Select Taluka ▼
Village*	Pin Code*		
Select Village	*		
Organization Contact D	etails		
Name of Contact Person*	Designation of Contact Person*		
CompanyMobileNo*	Secondary Mobile Number*	Office Number*	Fax Number
Email ID*	Website URL		
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Save			

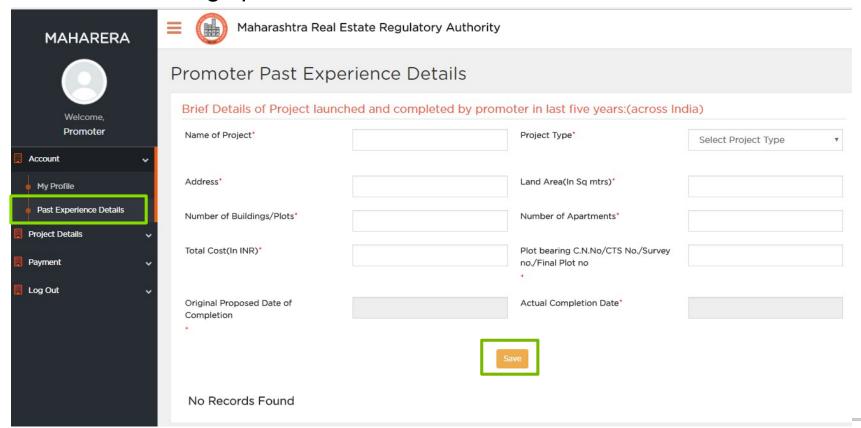
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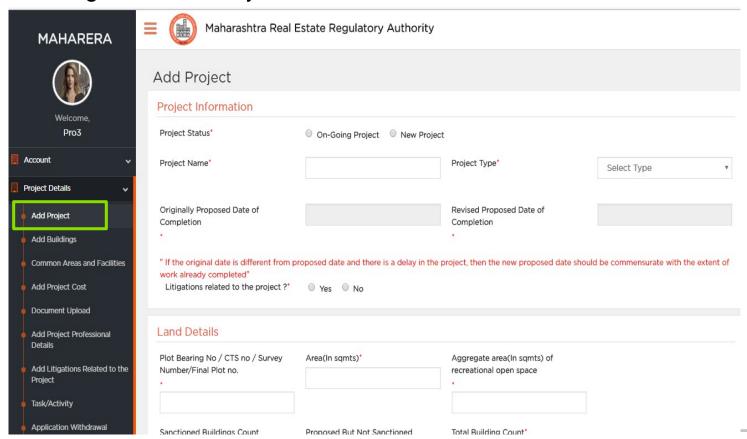
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In Step 7, the Promoter has to enter his/her past experience details such as number of buildings/plots, etc



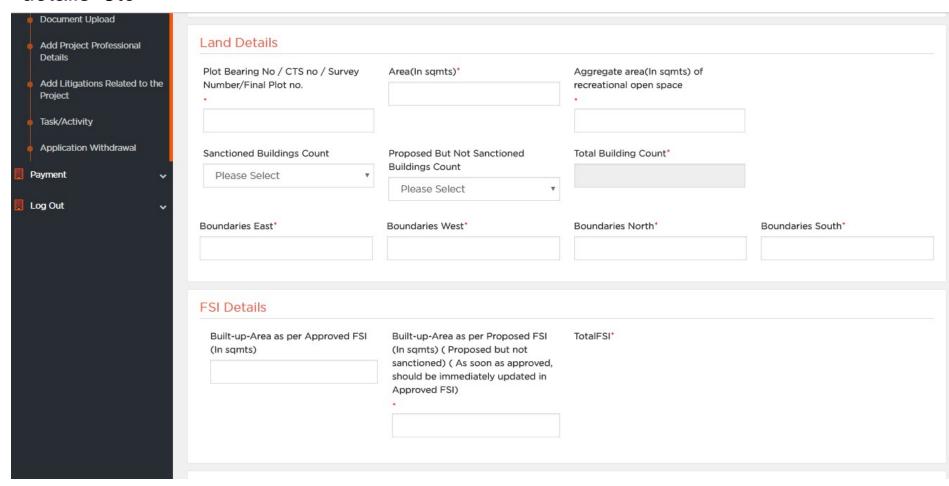
### Step 8

In Step 8, the promoter will enter Project Details such as details of project by clicking on "Add Project"



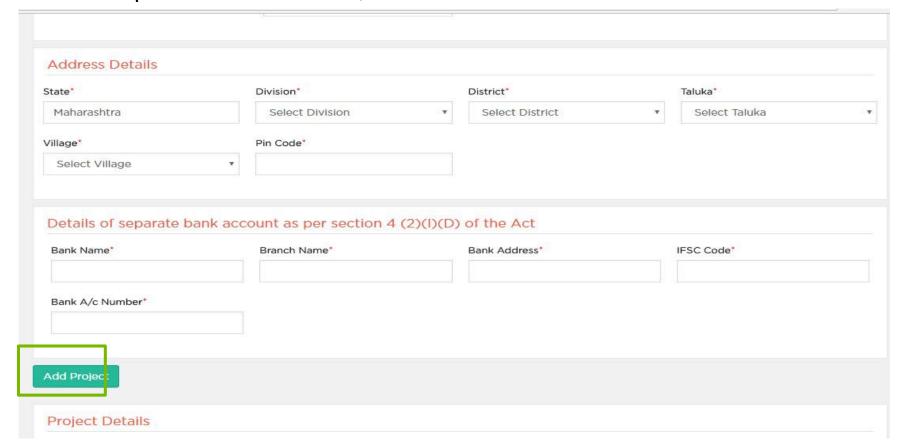
### Step 8

In Step 8, the Promoter will enter Project Details such as Land details, FSI details etc



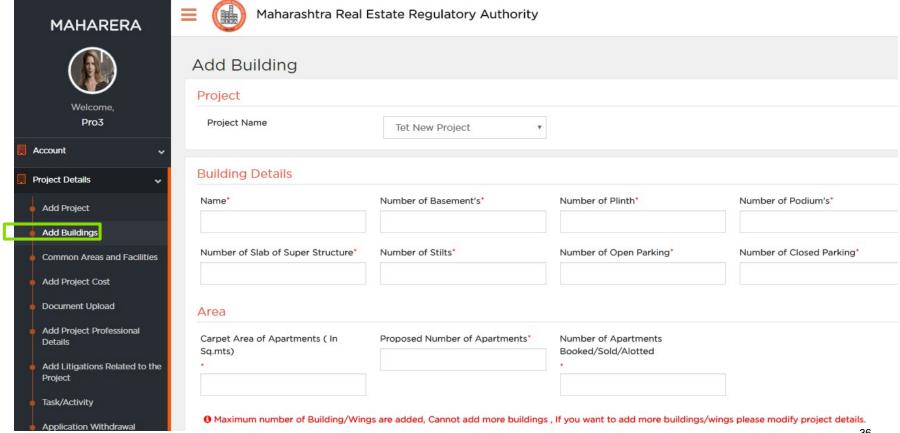
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In Step 8, the Promoter will enter Project Details such as Address details, details of separate bank account, etc



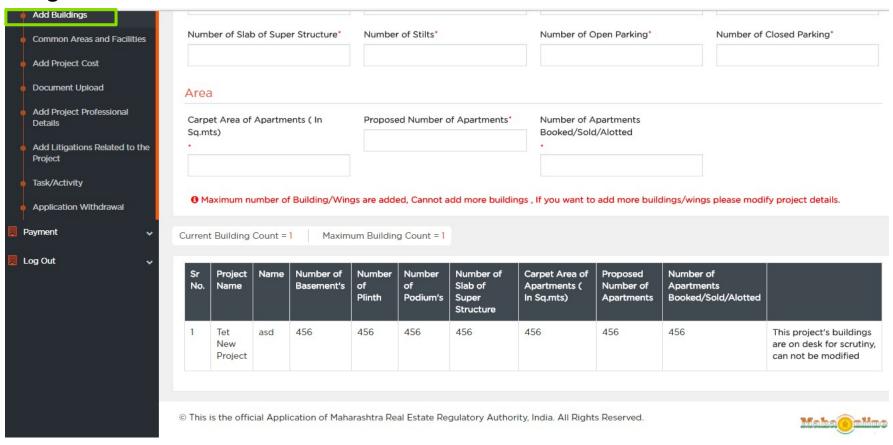
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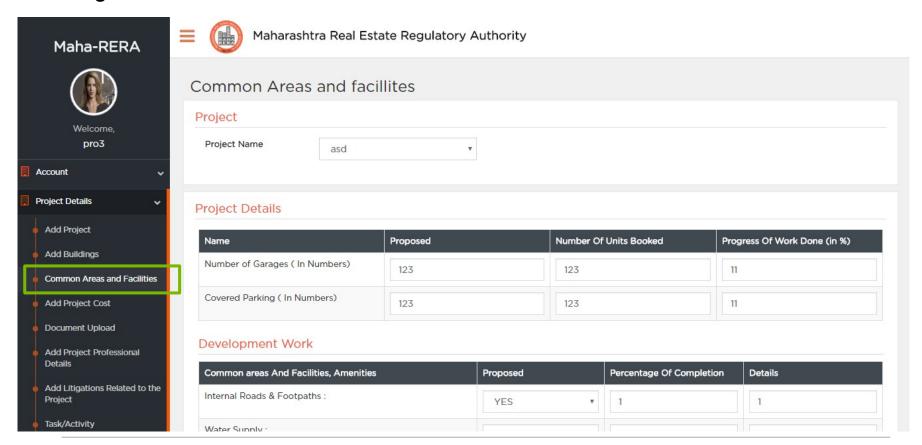
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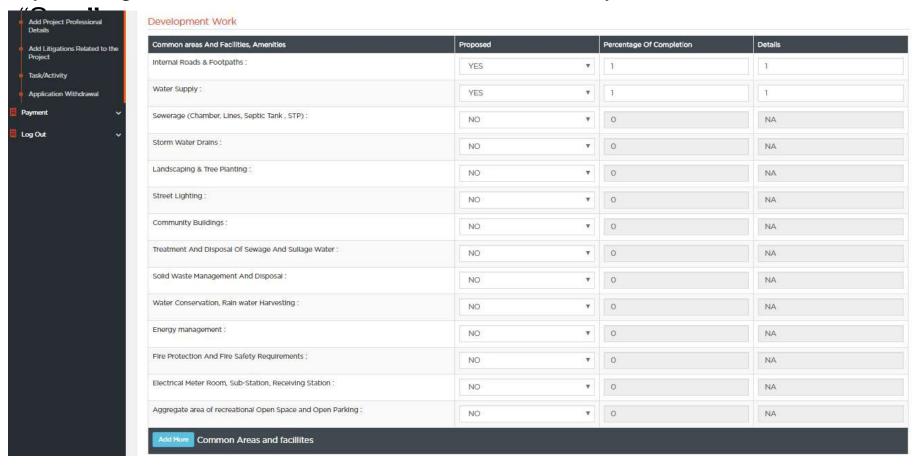
#### Step 10

In Step 10, the Promoter will enter Add details of Common Areas and Facilities by clicking on "Common Areas and Facilities"



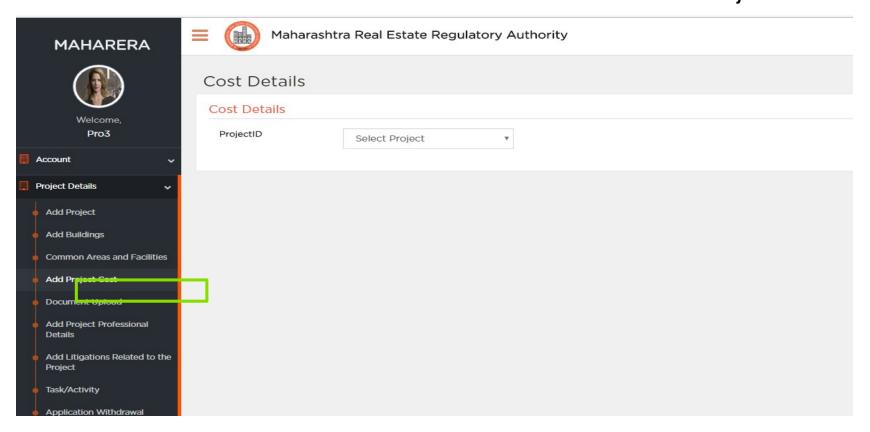
#### Step 10

In Step 10, the Promoter will enter Add details of Common Areas and Facilities by clicking on "Common Areas and Facilities". After you add details, click on



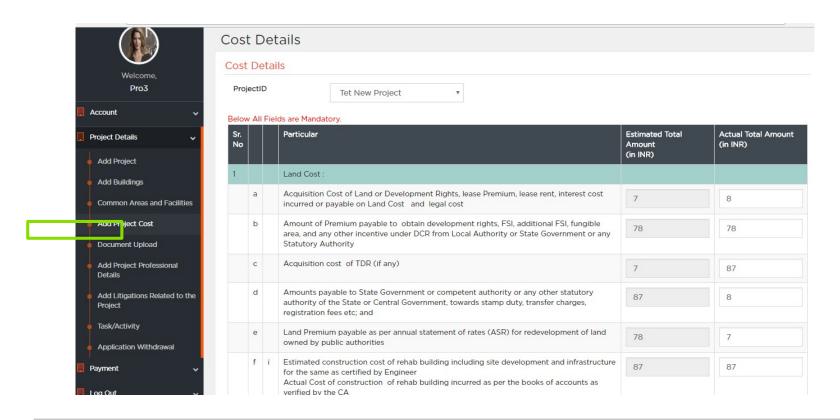
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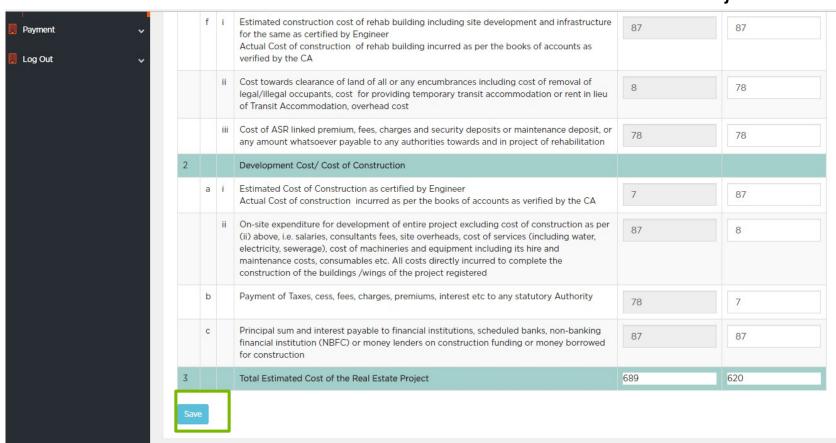
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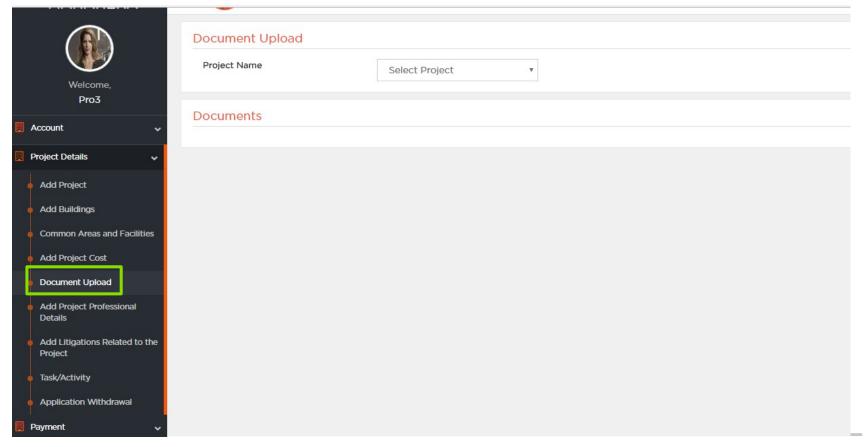
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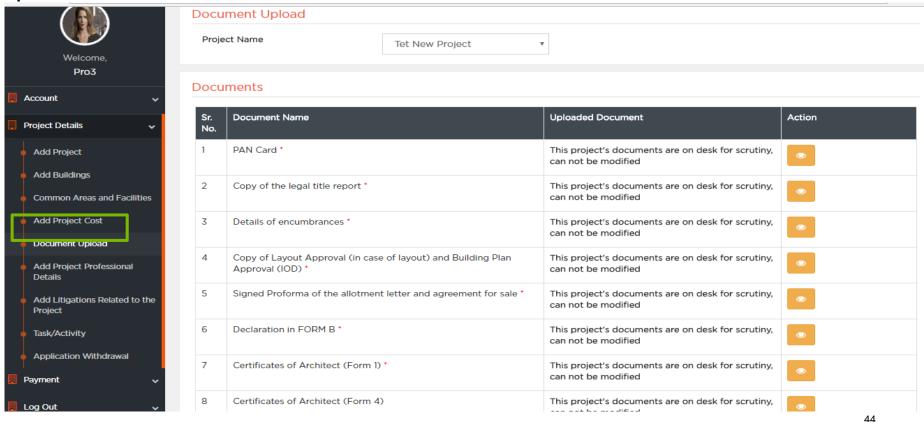
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In Step 12, the Promoter can then click on "Document Upload" under "Project Details" and uploads the required documents.



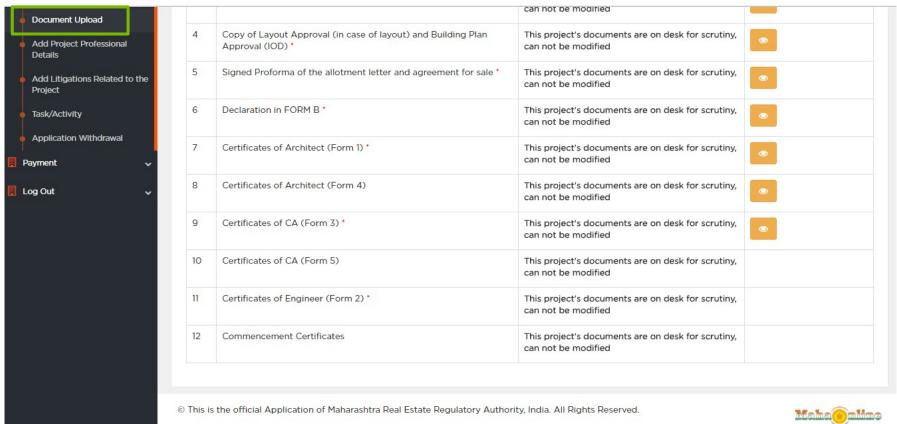
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In Step 12, the promoter can then click on "Document Upload" under "Project Details" and upload the required documents. The list of required documents is provided.



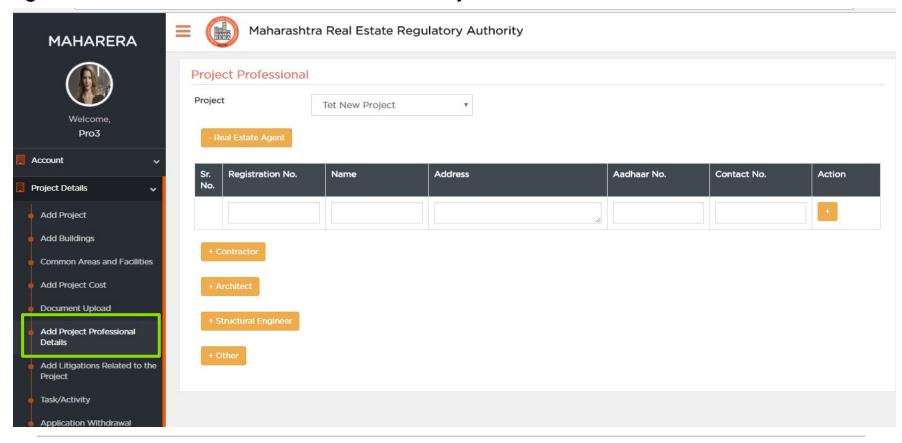
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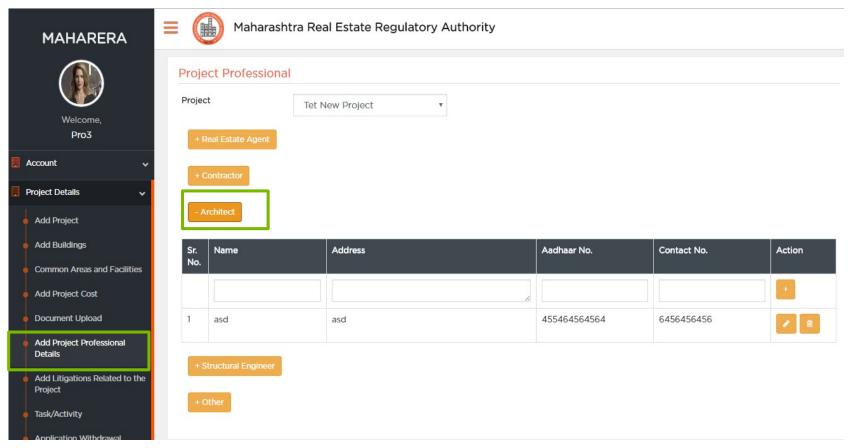
#### Step 13

In Step 13, professional details about the project such as details of Real estate agent, architect etc to be added in "Project Professional"



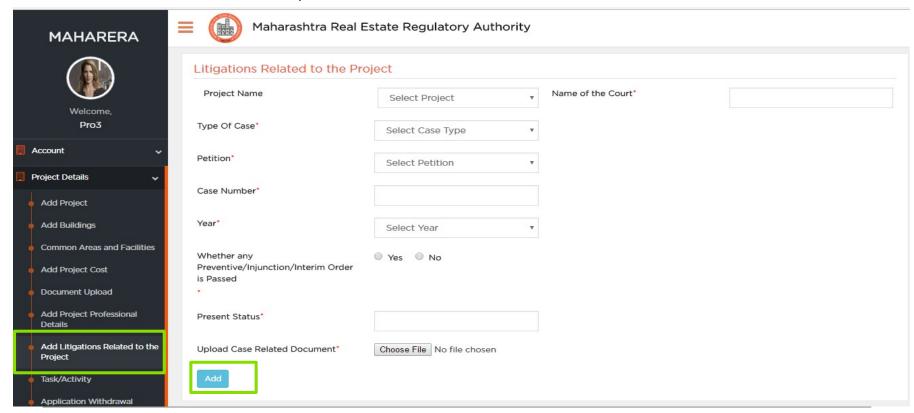
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In Step 13, professional details about "Architect" are mandatory



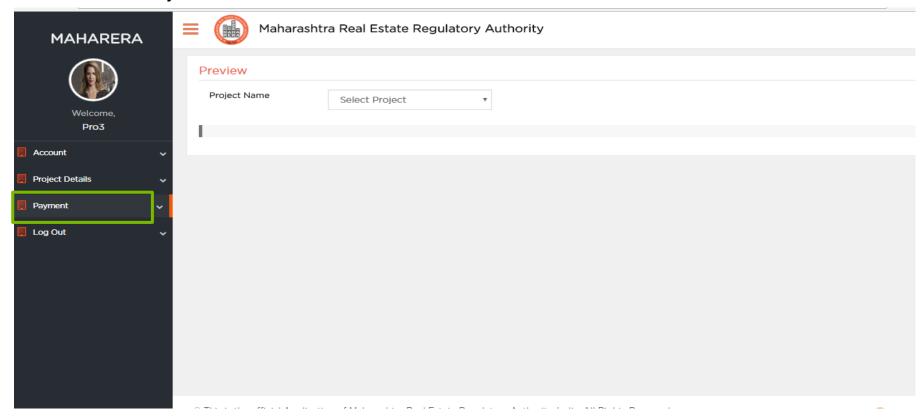
#### Step 14

In Step 14, the promoter adds litigations related to the project, if any by clicking on "Add Litigations Related to the Project" under Project Details. After all the details are entered, click on "Add"



#### Step 15

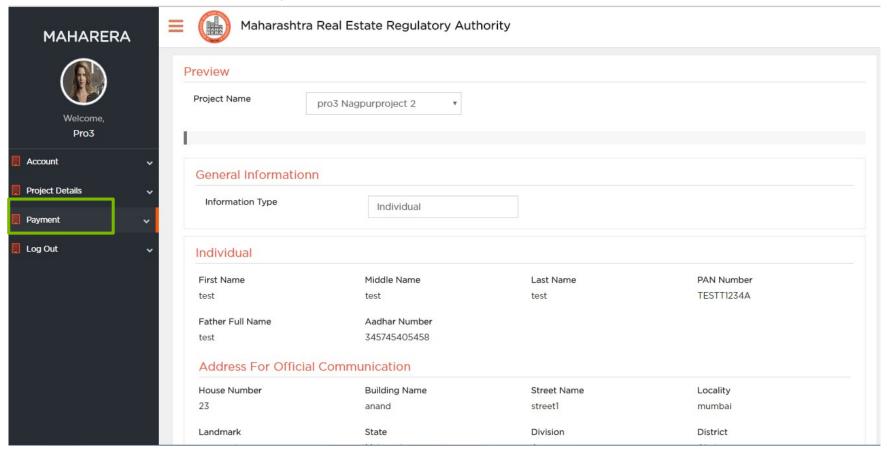
In Step 15, the promoter can then click on the "Payment tab" under "Project Details" and make payment through NEFT/RTGS. First the Promoter needs to select the Project Name



## Promoter Registration - Payment

#### Step 15

All the details entered by the Promoter can be seen in a Preview mode



## Promoter Registration - Payment

#### Step 15

In Step 15, once the Promoter clicks on Payment, he/she can enter the mode of Payment such as Net Banking, Credit/Debit Card etc. He/she selects the mode and makes Registration payment



## Fees for Registration of projects

 After mentioning all the details as discussed earlier, the promoter can register their project after paying the fees.

#### • Project Registration fee

- Project registration fee is <u>Rs. 10 per square meter of land</u> or <u>minimum of Rs. 50,000</u> only and <u>maximum up to Rs. 10,00,000 only</u>.
- Can pay the registration fee NEFT or RTGS System or any other digital transaction mode.

#### Fee for application for the time extension of Real Estate Project

- ➤ A developer can apply for the time extension for the completion of his real estate project by paying fees for extension.
- Fees for time extension is the same as fees for project registration.

## Registration of new and existing projects

#### Additional details for existing projects

- Current status of project and the extent of completion.
- Carpet area of all the units in the project even if earlier sold on any other basis such as super area, carpet area, built-up area etc.
- In case of plotted development, area of the plot being sold to the allottees.

Need to undertake a detailed diagnostic of existing projects

Projects which have not received 'Completion Certificate' on the date of commencement of the Act, need to get registered with RERA

## RERA will have power to scrutinize the application

#### Additional power of RERA

- RERA may review the following documents submitted by a promoter:
  - Nature of rights and interests of the promoter to the land
  - Extent and location of area of land proposed to be developed
  - Layout of the project
  - Financial, technical and managerial capacity of the promoter to develop
  - Plan regarding the development works to be executed in the project
  - Conformity of development of the project with neighboring areas

Requires clarity as managerial capacity is a subjective assessment

Requires further clarity

A second level scrutiny as the same is being done by local development authorities

# Issues and nuances for Project Registration

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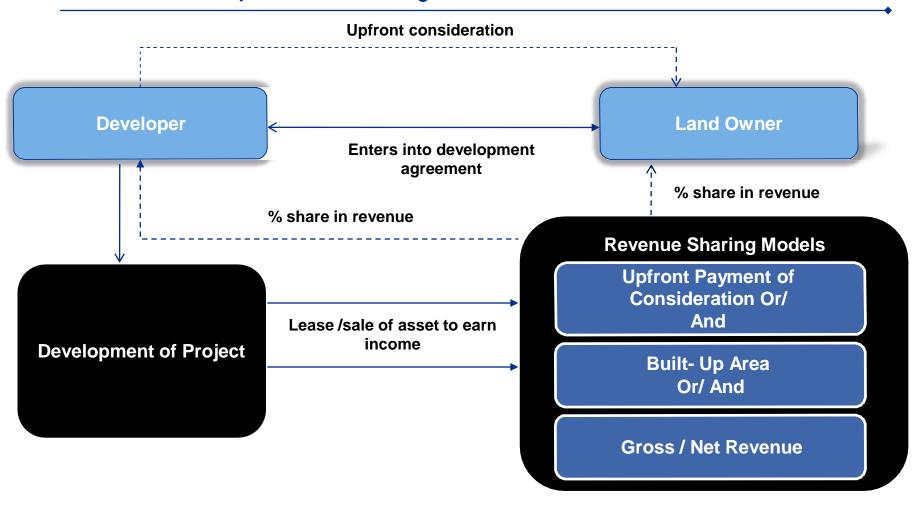
- Definition of Project to be registered Single tower, Multiple towers etc.
- Determination of Land Area allocable to the respective tower to be registered in case of a layout project.
- Estimation of Project Cost Various factors to be considered –
   Escalations, Contingencies, Future regulatory fees (eg. BMC fees) etc.
- Allocation of cost already incurred to respective towers in case of layout project.
- Allocation of cost on case of SRA project involving Rehab building and sale building.
- Land owners and JDA partners to be considered as "Promoters".
- Society to be considered as a Co-promoter in case of a redevelopment project.
- Ensure appropriate disclosures in agreement for sale as well as details to be uploaded at the time of registration to overcome penalty exposure.

## Issues and nuances for Project Registration

- Allocation of Land Cost in case of layout and large developments
- Allocation of costs for common amenities and Infrastructure
- Allocation of off-site costs to various projects
- Which method of accounting to be followed cash or mercantile?
- Meaning of Incurred to be applied prudently
- Payment of fungible premium in case of layout and large developments
- Allocation of costs in case of Parking Projects registered separately or shown as common areas
- Allocation of cost of Public Parking in case of layout projects
- Marketing cost of acquisition of land/projects whether covered as land cost?
- Circulars and Clarifications issued by RERA Authorities should be applied blindly? Will it survive if beyond the Act and Rules?
- Amount withdrawn to be utilized **Only** for the Project Can it be utilized for purchase of land for other projects
- Meaning of On-site and Off-site costs not reflected in certificate

## Joint Development Arrangements

## Joint Development Arrangements- Mechanism



## Clarification on Joint Development Arrangements

- Promoter now includes any person(s) or organization(s) who, under any agreement or arrangement with the promoter of a Real Estate Project is allotted or entitled to a share of total revenue generated from sale of apartments or share of promoters shall be as per the agreement or arrangement with the Promoters, however for withdrawal from Designated Bank Account, they shall be at par with the Promoter of the Real Estate Project."
- Following implications would result on account of the above
  - ✓ The Investors and/or Land-owners, as the case may be, having an arrangement with the Developer will also fall into the ambit of the 70:30.
  - ✓ Details of the Promoter to be provided at the time of registration with MahaRERA and a copy of the agreement and arrangements should be uploaded on the website as well.
  - ✓ Existing JDA arrangements (mainly with revenue share or profit share arrangement) will need to be revisited.

## Joint Development Arrangements-Issues

#### • In case of Revenue Share arrangement

- Whether a single RERA Account required OR two separate account required?
- ➤ Whether separate CA Certificates to be obtained by the Promoter?
- ➤ How to apply and compute POCM?
- What would be the costs for the Promoter?

#### In case of Area Share arrangement

- Whether separate CA Certificates to be obtained by the Promoter?
- ➤ How to apply and compute POCM?
- ➤ What would be the costs for the Promoter?
- Whether this Clarification will apply to Investors?
- Whether this clarification applies to Construction Companies jointly developing projects and sharing revenues/areas?

## Offences and Penalties

## Offences and Penalty

Provision	Promoter	Agent	Allottee
Non-registration of project/agent with RERA and continue to do so	Up to 10% of the estimated project cost	Penalty of INR10,000 per day during default tenure up to 5% of property cost	
False information while making an application to RERA	Up to 5% of the estimated project cost		
Contravention of any provisions of the Act (other than stated above)	Up to 5% of the estimated project cost	Up to 5% of the property cost	
Non-compliance with the order of RERA	Daily penalty up to 5% of the estimated project cost	Daily penalty up to 5% of property cost	Daily penalty up to 5% of property cost
Non-compliance with the order of the Appellate Tribunal	Up to 10% of project cost	Up to 10% of property cost	Up to 10% of property cost

# Certification by a Chartered Accountant under RERA

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- For ongoing projects
  - Estimated Balance Cost
  - Balance amount of receivables from the sold apartments
  - Estimated amount of sales proceeds in respect of unsold Apartments based on ASR Rate (Ready Reckoner Rate)
  - Amount to be deposited in the bank account.
- The CA has to attach his workings as per prescribed format as per MahaRERA (i.e. Annexure A to Form 3).

# Form 3 Chartered Accountants Certificate (on the Letter head) (FOR REGISTRATION OF A PROJECT AND SUBSEQUENT WITHDRAWAL OF MONEY) Cost of Real Estate Project MahaRERA Registration Number

Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount	
A	Land Cost	Estimated Amount	Actual Amount
a	Acquisition Cost of Land or Development Rights, lease Premium, lease rent, interest cost incurred or payable on Land Cost an legal cost	XXXX	
b	Amount of Premium payable to obtain development rights, FSI, additional FSI, fungible area, and any other incentive under DCR from Local Authority or State Government or any Statutory Authority		
c	Acquisition cost of TDR (if any)		
d	Amounts payable to State Government or competent authority or any other statutory authority of the State or Central Government, towards stamp duty, transfer charges, registration fees etc; and		
e	Land Premium payable as per annual statement of rates (ASR) for redevelopment of land owned by public authorities		

## Clarification on the term Acquisition Cost

- To determine the Fair Market Value of the Acquisition Cost of Land or Development Rights in the Real Estate Project, the Acquisition cost shall be the 'Indexed cost of Acquisition'.
- The indexed cost of acquisition shall mean an amount which bears to the cost of acquisition the same proportion as Cost inflation Index for the year in which the Land or Development Rights or Lease Rights in the Real Estate Project is registered or the year in which the first commencement certificate is issued in respect of such land, whichever is earlier, bears to the Cost inflation index for the first year in which such Land or Development Rights or Lease Rights in the Real Estate Project was owned or held by the developer.
- Where the Land or Development Rights or Lease Rights became property of the developer or became available to the developer before 1st day of April 2001, the Cost of Acquisition would mean the ASR value of such land or such Land or Development Rights or Lease Rights in the in the Real Estate Project is owned or held by the Developer shall be taken as 1st April, 2001."
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017

## Clarification on the term "Incurred"

The expression incurred would mean amount of product or service received creating a debt in favor of a seller or supplier and shall also include the amount of product or service received against payment.

- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017

## Clarification on the term Cost of Land

- With respect to an Ongoing Project, at the time of registration of the Real Estate Project, the Estimated Land Cost and Development Cost/ Cost of Construction to be certified as per Form 3 of the General Regulations of MahaRERA, shall be for the cost of the real estate project, since its inception and not the balance estimated land cost/ Cost of construction to complete the project.
- That is the total incurred cost of the real estate project shall be the aggregate of the incurred land cost and development cost/ cost of construction of the project, since its inception till the date of the issuance of the certificate and the estimated Land Cost and Development Cost/ Cost of Construction shall be for the entire project from the inception till completion.
- Also in respect of an Ongoing Project, in the first certificate to be issued by a Chartered Accountant at the time of registration and for the first withdrawal post registration, at clause 7 of the Form 3, the "Amount withdrawn till date of this certificate as per Books of Accounts and bank Statement" shall be the lower of-
  - √ 100% of the amount received towards consideration of the sale of the apartment of the Real Estate Project till date of Registration or
  - √ "amount of project cost incurred as reflected at clause number 3 of the certificate of chartered accountant issued (Form no. 3) at the time of registration.

#### - MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017

## Clarification on Borrowing Cost

The Acquisition Cost shall also include the amount of interest incurred on the borrowing done specifically for the purchase of Land, or Acquiring development Rights or Lease Rights.

- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount	
A	Land Cost	Estimated Amount	Actual Amount
f[i]	Estimated construction <b>cost of rehab building</b> including site development and infrastructure for the same as certified by Engineer		
	Actual Cost of construction of rehab building incurred as per the books of accounts as verified by the CA		
f[ii]	Cost towards clearance of land of all or any encumbrances including cost of removal of legal/illegal occupants, cost for providing temporary transit accommodation or rent in lieu of Transit Accommodation, overhead cost		
f[iii]	Cost of ASR linked premium, fees, charges and security deposits or maintenance deposit, or any amount whatsoever payable to any authorities towards and in project of rehabilitation		

### Cost of Rehabilitation Scheme

- Cost under the Rehabilitation Scheme or Construction Cost of Rehabilitation buildings shall include cost incurred for construction of construction Area, which is to be handed over to-
  - ✓ Slum dwellers under the Slum Rehabilitation Scheme
  - ✓ Tenants under the redevelopment of tenanted Premises
  - ✓ Apartment owners of the building which is under redevelopment and who are to be provided with an alternative accommodation
  - ✓ Government or Concessionaire in Public Private Partnership Projects
  - ✓ Appropriate Authority under various schemes under the development regulations
- All amounts payable to slum dwellers, tenants, apartment owners or Appropriate authority or Government or concessionaire which are non refundable and incurred as cost and expense of such rehabilitation scheme shall be allowed as part of Land Cost under the clause 1(i)(f)(iii) or 1 (i)(f)(iv) of the Form 3 under General Regulation 3 of MahaRERA. For Example, maintenance deposits, corpus amount, concession premium or fees, shifting charges to name a few.
- The amount of interest incurred on borrowing done specifically for the construction of rehabilitation component in rehabilitation scheme shall be included in the interest payable to the financial institutions etc.( under the head of Land Cost (under Clause 1(i)(a) of Form 3 of General Regulation s 3 of MahaRERA)
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



В	<u>Development Cost</u> / Cost of Construction	Estimated Amount	Actual Amount
a[i]	Estimated Cost of Construction as certified by Engineer Actual Cost of construction incurred as per the books of accounts as verified by the CA		
a[ii]	On-site expenditure for development of entire project excluding cost of construction as per a(i) above, i.e. salaries, consultants fees, site overheads, cost of services (including water, electricity, sewerage), cost of machineries and equipment including its hire and maintenance costs, consumables etc. All costs directly incurred to complete the construction of the buildings /wings of the project registered		

# Clarification on the term Development Costs

- All the cost items should be mutually exclusive. There should not be any double counting of costs.
- The Development Cost / Cost of Construction of the project <u>should not</u> <u>include marketing and brokerage</u> expenses towards sale of apartments. Such expenses, though part of the project cost should not be borne from the amount that is required to be deposited in the designated separate account.
- MahaRERA Circular No. 5/2017 dated 28 June 2017



В	Development Cost/ Cost of Construction	Estimated Amount	Actual Amount
В	Payment of Taxes, cess, fees, charges, premiums, interest etc to any statutory Authority		•
С	Principal sum and interest payable to financial institutions, scheduled banks, non-banking financial institution (NBFC) or money lenders on construction funding or money borrowed for construction		
	Total Cost of Real Estate Project(A+B)	0	0

Total Estimated Cost of the Real Estate Project
[1(i) + 1(ii)] of Estimated Column

Total Cost Incurred of the Real Estate Project [1(i) + 1(ii)] of Incurred Column

% completion of Construction Work % (as per Project Architect's Certificate)

XX%

# Clarification of Percentage Completion

- Clause 4 of Form 3 of the general Regulations of MahaRERA, refers to percentage completion of construction work as per Project Architect's Certificate.
- This clause shall be required to be filled only in final certificate when 100% of the construction work has been completed. In all the prior certificates, this field is not mandatory to be filled and certified by Chartered Accountant, as this information is been detailed in Form 1 provided by Architect.
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



## Clarification on Taxes

- The indirect taxes collected by the promoter from the Allottees in the Nature of GST/Service Tax / Vat <u>can</u> also be deposited in a bank account <u>other than the Separate Bank account</u> and shall be dealt with as per the Statute governing such indirect taxes.
- - MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



## Clarification on Increase in Construction Cost

- The increase in construction cost due to execution of extra/additional items as certified by the engineer in Annexure A of Form 2 of the General Regulation of the MahaRERA, shall be allowed to included in the on-site Expenditure for development of entire site etc. under clause 1(ii)(a)(iii) of Form 3 of the General Regulation 3 of MahaRERA.
- Annexure A is a part of the Engineer's Certificate that specifies any expenditure that has been incurred and was not estimated to be incurred.
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



### Clarification on Balance Receivables

- The third proviso to Section 4(2)(1)(d) of RERA read with Regulation 4(a) of the Regulations requires the promoter to get his accounts audited within six months after the end of every financial year by the statutory auditor of the Promoter's enterprise, and produce report on the statement of accounts on project fund utilization and withdrawal by Promoter in Form-5 in accordance with General Regulation of MahaRERA.
- Since the report is to be prepared under third proviso to section 4(2)(1)(d) of RERA, the said certificate is only in respect of the amount to be deposited and withdrawn from the Separate bank Account.
- Thus Chartered Accountant is required to certify that Promoter has utilized 70% of the amount collected for the project only and not for the entire amount collected by the project.
- However, it may be 100% of the balance receivables from the Allottees in case of an Ongoing Project, where the proviso to Rule 5(1)(ii) applies. The Chartered Accountant shall further certify that the withdrawal from the Separate Bank Account of the said project has been in accordance with the proportion to the percentage of completion of the project.
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



# Additional Information for Ongoing Projects

- 1. Estimated Balance Cost to Complete the Real Estate Project (Difference of Total Estimated Project cost less Cost incurred ) (calculated as per the Form IV)
- 2. Balance amount of receivables from sold apartments as per Annexure A to this certificate (as certified by Chartered Accountant as verified from the records and books of Accounts)
- 3. (i) Balance Unsold area (to be certified by Management and to be verified by CA from the records and books of accounts)
  - (ii) Estimated amount of sales proceeds in respect of unsold apartments (calculated as per ASR multiplied to unsold area as on the date of certificate, to be calculated and certified by CA) as per Annexure A to this certificate
- 4. Estimated receivables of ongoing project- Sum of 2 + 3(ii)
- 5. Amount to be deposited in Designated Account -70% or 100%
- IF 4 is greater than 1, then 70 % of the balance receivables of ongoing project will be deposited in designated Account
- IF 4 is lesser than 1, then 100% of the of the balance receivables of ongoing project will be deposited in designated Account

## Annexure A to Form 3

# Statement for calculation of Receivables from the Sales of the Ongoing Real Estate Project **Sold Inventory**

Sr. No.	Flat No.	Carpet Area (in sq.mts.)	Unit Consideration as per Agreement /Letter of Allotment	Received Amount	Balance Receivable

## Annexure A to Form 3

#### **Unsold Inventory Valuation**

Ready Recknor Rate as on the date of Certificate of the Residential /commercial premises INR XXX per sm.

Sr. No.	Flat No.	Carpet Area (in sq.mts.)	Unit Consideration as per Read Reckoner Rate (ASR)

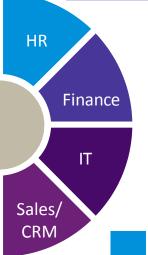
# Clarification on Principal and Interest

- While Uploading Details of the **Project cost** on the website at the time of registration, in the **'project cost' Tab**, list of Values, wherein "Principal sum and interest payable" is sought, the Principal Sum of the Loan stall not be entered and **only interest shall be uploaded**.
- However, in the certificate to be issued by Chartered Accountant, as per Form 3 of the General Regulation of MahaRERA, the principal sum of Loan shall be reflected in the brackets and shall not be added in the Sub-total of Development Cost.
- MahaRERA Circular No. 7/2017 dated 4 July 2017



# Best Practices and Way Forward

# RERA Alignment Required Across the Company & With All Stakeholders



Information being made public under RERA can expose promoters to greater risks not just under RERA but under all regulations – Need for stronger focus on compliance, additional controls on RERA updates, focused handling of customer voice on social media and customer support etc

You will be held accountable for perceived project features communicated visually, verbally or in writing, **How would you control verbal communications and second level marketing by brokers/ sub brokers?** – include required clauses in broker, employee contracts, customer agreements, stronger sales validation process, clear dos & don'ts on content creation **etc** 

Realigning of your sales strategies, revamp of sales channels – Need for one time review of sales channels to ensure brokers/ agents have capability of being RERA compliant, develop internal sales capabilities if heavy reliance is placed on brokers/ agents, sales launch of only approved projects - No pre launch activities to gauge market sentiments etc

You commit what you want to do and build enough disclaimers for protection – The act requires you to disclose proposed construction plans, what disclaimers should be built in to protect you in case of future change of plans.

Controls to ensure committed quality is delivered & mandate is also obtained for upsell.

**Enhance team capabilities to handle mature processes** – Finalization of project designs to ensure minimum alternations, Project planning to provide accurate time and cost estimates, strong cash flow planning to support an elongated process of withdrawals



# Paradigm Shift in Business and Operating Model

#### What is Required To Be Done

Re-define business strategies keeping the RERA changes in mind Review impacted processes to introduce new controls

Plan technological requirements & changes Develop RERA disclaimers for all communications types and documents

Revise existing documents/communication templates

Onetime review of website & social media

Define new roles & responsibilities

Realign
Delegation of
Authority for
exception
handling

Relook at existing TATs/
SLAs

New documentation, storage and retrieval processes

Introduce stronger quality/ compliance monitoring

Implement revised processes & train impacted departments

# HAPPY RERA Journey together ....

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