

BEFORE TELANGANA STATE REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
[Under the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016]

CC. No. 77 of 2025

Dated: 03rd November 2025

Quorum: **Dr. N. Satyanarayana, IAS (Retd.), Hon'ble Chairperson**
Sri K. Srinivasa Rao, Hon'ble Member
Sri Laxmi Narayana Jannu, Hon'ble Member

Between:

Sriramoju Rajeev
*(H.no. 12-1468/1 Flat no: 409, Prakritit Nivas, Fathullaguda,
Bandlaguda, Nagole, Tatti Annaram, K.V Rangareddy, Telangana 500068)*

...Complainant

AND

1. **M/s. Krithika Infra Developers**
*(Rep. by its Managing Partner, D. Srikanth,
3rd & 4th Floor, Sri Padanjali Building,
Beside Bahar cafe, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad – 500074)*
2. **Doomavath Gopal**
*(Director of M/s Krithika Infra Developers
3rd & 4th Floor, Sri Padanjali Building,
Beside Bahar cafe, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad – 500074)*
3. **Doomavath Srikanth**
*(MD of M/s Krithika Infra Developers
3rd & 4th Floor, Sri Padanjali Building,
Beside Bahar cafe, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad – 500074)*
4. **Smt. Radha Bhukya**
*(MD of M/s Krithika Infra Developers
3rd & 4th Floor, Sri Padanjali Building,
Beside Bahar cafe, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad – 500074)*
5. **Shri. Doomavath Shashikanth**
*(Executive Director of M/s Krithika Infra Developers
3rd & 4th Floor, Sri Padanjali Building,
Beside Bahar cafe, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad – 500074)*

...Respondents

The present matter filed by the Complainant herein came up for hearing before this Authority in the presence of the Complainant, and none appeared on behalf of the Respondents despite service of notice; hence set ex parte and upon hearing the submissions of the Complainant, this Authority proceeds to pass the following **ORDER**:

2. The present Complaint has been filed by the Complainant under Section 31 of the Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the “Act”) read with Rule 34(1) of the Telangana Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the “Rules”) seeking appropriate relief(s) against the Respondents.

A. Brief facts of the case:

3. The Complainant submitted that she has entered into an Agreement of Sale with the developer with the intent to buy a proposed residential flat no. A-508, Block-A, 5th floor, built-up area 1594 sq. ft. feet’s designated to be constructed in the complex known as Seshadri’s Sliver Oak and the Complainant submitted that has paid full and final consideration of Rs, 33,47,400/- for the said property and receipts were attached and the Respondent/Developer promised to deliver the property to the Complainant within 2 years from the date of entering into the agreement on 05.02.2022. However, no construction work has commenced to date.

4. After pursuing the matter continuously with the developer, the developer has promised to register 35.4 Sq. Yards of UDS land to the Complainant as a guarantee tot the consideration paid, but however the developer failed to register the said land on favour Complainant and the Respondent/developer failed to commence any construction work in the said project till date

B. Relief(s) Sought

5. Accordingly, the Complainant sought for the following reliefs:

1. *Direct the Respondent to refund of Rs. 33,47,400/- along with interest from the date of full payment as per the govt norms, or;*
2. *Direct the Respondent to register the land to the Complainant, and to get RERA Registration and to commence the development at the earliest.*

C. Interim Relief

6. Accordingly, the Complainant sought for the following interim reliefs:

Direct the Respondent to refund of Rs. 33,47,400/- along with interest from the date of full payment as per the govt norms

D. Points for consideration:

7. Based on the facts and circumstances placed before this Authority, the following questions arise for adjudication:

- I. Whether the Respondents have violated any provisions of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016?
- II. Whether Complainant is liable for relief as prayed for? If yes, to what extent?

E. Observation of the Authority:

8. Before further adjudicating on the matter, this Authority takes due note of the repeated non-compliance by the Respondents, who have failed to appear before this Authority despite service of notice and affording sufficient opportunities. In view of their continued absence, the Respondents are hereby set ex parte, and the matter is being adjudicated based on the pleadings, documents, and submissions placed on record by the Complainant.

Point I

9. It is pertinent to mention that this Authority has already dealt with similar violations by the same Respondent in **Complaint No. 115 of 2024**, which related to this very project. After a detailed examination of that matter, this Authority passed an order, holding that they had violated provisions of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016. In that said order, it was found that the Respondent had marketed and sold units without registering the project with this authority, in contravention of Sections 3 and 4 of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016. Further, the Respondent had also received advance payments exceeding 10% of the consideration prior to execution of a registered agreement for sale, thereby violating under Section 13(1) of RE(R&D) Act, 2016. Consequently, a penalty of ₹9,96,050/- was levied on the Respondent under Sections 59, 60, and 61 of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016, and the Respondent was directed to register the project without further delay and to restrain from engaging in any marketing or sale activity until compliance was ensured.

10. As this Authority had already adjudicated the matter on similar facts and imposed a penalty for violation of Section 3. Therefore, the issue of unregistered development by the Respondent-promoter in the present case stands on an identical footing, and has already been addressed through the said earlier order

11. Further, this Authority, in its Order in Complaint No. 86 of 2025 dated 16.10.2025, declared the **Respondent No. 1/Promoter, M/s Krithika Infra Developers, as a “defaulter”**

The relevant portion of the said order is as follows:

“27(b)....The Respondent No.1/Promoter is hereby declared a “defaulter” for continuous and willful violation of the provisions of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016. As a result, any developmental activities undertaken by the Respondent No.1, Promoter stand terminated with immediate effect. The impugned developer is hereby restrained from undertaking any further advertisement, marketing, booking, sale, or offering for sale of any apartment or part thereof in the said project or any other projects in the future, in any manner whatsoever

12. Hence, Point I is answered in the affirmative

Point II

13. Upon perusal of the Agreement of Sale dated 05.02.2022, executed between Shri. D. Srikanth, Managing Partner of M/s Krithika Infra Developers, in favour of the Complainant, it is evident that the Complainant has paid an amount of Rs. 33,47,400/- (Rupees Thirty-Three Lakh Forty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Rupees Only) towards the said flat, which has been duly acknowledged by the Respondents.

14. It is further observed from the documents placed on record that Respondent No.1 has obtained building permission bearing No. 009613/BP/HMDA/2100/GHT/2023 for the construction of 2 Cellars + 1 Stilt + 1 Upper Floor. However, despite having secured such permission, Respondent No.1 has neither commenced any construction activity at the project site nor demonstrated any bona fide intention to fulfil its contractual obligations. This persistent inaction, notwithstanding the substantial amounts collected from the Complainant, reflects a deliberate and dishonest course of conduct on the part of the Respondents.

15. Accordingly, the relief sought by the Complainants, insofar as it pertains to the refund of the amounts paid along with applicable interest, deserves to be allowed.

16. In these circumstances, Section 18(1) of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, confers a clear statutory right upon an allottee to seek refund of the amounts paid, along with interest, in cases where the promoter fails to complete or is unable to deliver possession within the stipulated period Hence, the Complainants are entitled to refund of the amount paid along with interest, as mandated under the said provision.

17. In light of the abovementioned observations, this Authority notes that the Complainant is entitled for relief as mentioned in the main complaint under Section 18(1)(a) of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, which reads as follows:

- (1) If the promoter fails to complete or is unable to give possession of an apartment, plot or building,*
- a) in accordance with the terms of the agreement for sale or, as the case may be, duly completed by the date specified therein; or*
 - b) due to discontinuance of his business as a developer on account of suspension or revocation of the registration under this Act or for any other reason, he shall be liable on demand to the allottees, in case the allottee wishes to withdraw from the project, 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.*

18. Accordingly, the Complainant entitled for refund of the amount of Rs. 33,47,400/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Forty Seven thousand Four Hundred Rupees Only) paid by the Complainant to the Respondents and also with the interest at the rate prescribed under Rule 15 of the Telangana Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Rules, 2017, i.e., the State Bank of India's Marginal Cost of Lending Rate (MCLR) plus 2% per annum (i.e., 8.75% + 2%), calculated from the respective date of Agreement of Sale until the date of actual refund.

19. In view of the above findings, this Authority is of the considered opinion that the Complainant is entitled to the relief sought, refund of the entire sale consideration with interest.

20. Hence, Point II is answered in the affirmative, and the Complainant is entitled to a refund along with applicable interest.

F. Directions of the Authority:

21. In exercise of the powers conferred upon this Authority under Sections 37 and 38 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, and in furtherance of the findings and conclusions drawn hereinabove, the following directions are hereby issued:

- a) The Respondent No. 1 is directed to refund Rs. 33,47,400/- (Rupees Thirty-Three Lakh Forty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Rupees Only) along with interest at the rate of 10.75% per annum (SBI MCLR of 8.75% + 2%) from the date of the Agreement of Sale dated 25.08.2021 till the date of actual refund in accordance with Rule 15 of the Telangana RE(R&D) Rules, 2017 within 30 (thirty) days from the date of this Order;
- b) Failing to comply with the above-said direction by the Respondent shall attract a penalty in accordance with Section 63 of the RE(R&D) Act, 2016.

22. In light of the above, the present Complaint is disposed of in terms of the directions contained herein. No order as to costs.

Sd/-

Sri K. Srinivasa Rao,
Hon'ble Member,
TG RERA

Sd/-

Sri Laxmi Narayana Jannu,
Hon'ble Member,
TG RERA

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