REAL ESTATE REGULATORY AUTHORITY, BIHAR Before the Bench of Hon'ble Member Mr. S.D. Jha, RERA, Bihar, RERA/CC/581/2021 RERA/AO/218/2021 Sri Arun Kumar Dubey Complainant Vs.

M/s Agrani Homes Real Marketing Pvt. Ltd. Respondent For the Complainant: Mr. Arun Kumar Dubey, Advocate For the Respondent: None **Project:** AGRANI P.G.TOWN

<u>O R D E R</u>

27.02.2023 Hearing taken up. Mr. Arun Kumar Dubey, Advocate, appears for the complainant. The respondent is absent. On the last date i.e. 15.2.2023 also, the respondent was absent. It is evident from the record that the respondent was also absent in the proceeding held on 6.9.2022 & 27.9.2022 before the Adjudicating Officer.

Learned counsel for the complainant submits that the complainant, who was serving in the Army, booked two flats in the project Agrani P.G. Town in the year, 2019 on total consideration amount of Rs.30,00,000/-, which was paid by the complainant in April, 2019 and acknowledgement receipts were issued by the respondent – company, copies of which are on the complaint. He further submits that the flats were to be handed over to the complainant within the time frame i.e. October, 2022, but even after expiry of that time the flats have not been handed over. Hence, the complainant wants refund of the principal amount along with interest and compensation.

Perused the record. The Authority observes that the respondent neither honoured the commitment made to the complainant of completing the project within the time granted nor is showing interest in getting this case disposed of by appearing in the case in spite of notices issued. In fact, it was clearly mentioned in the last notice dated 15.2.2023 that "In case of non-compliance/non-appearance, the case will be disposed of on the next date on the basis of material available on the record." Considering the hardship being faced by the complainant and also the indifferent and non-cooperative attitude of the respondent – promoter, the Authority does not think it proper to allow this case pending for further period and, accordingly, the case is disposed of today itself.

In the backdrop of the submissions advanced on behalf of the complainant and on going through the material available on the record, the Authority directs the respondent - company and its Director to refund the principal amount of Rs.30,00,000/- to the complainant along with interest within sixty days of issue of this order. The rate of interest payable by the promoter shall be at two percent above the prevalent Prime Lending Rates (MCLR) of the State Bank of India on the date on which the amount becomes due till the date of payment.

The complainant is at liberty to press other claims, which are in the nature of compensation, before the Adjudicating Officer, RERA. With the aforesaid observations and directions, this case is disposed of.

> Sd/-S.D. Jha Member