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OFFICE ORDER

In line with the decision taken with regards to the resumption of physical hearing in judicial courts, and after extensive discussion with the PBRERA BAR ASSOCIATION, it has been decided that this Authority will resume physical hearing of complaints filed under Section 31 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 w.e.f. 15th February, 2021. These hearings will be carried with due observation of the safety protocols advised by the health authorities, such as wearing of face masks, sanitization of hands, and maintaining due physical distancing. It also will be ensured that hearings before the Authority and the Adjudicating Officer do not overlap.

2. Accordingly, the Authority will hear complaints filed under Section 31 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 on all Wednesdays and Fridays. Similarly, the Adjudicating Officer will hear complaints on every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday w.e.f. 15th February, 2021. Before the Authority, arguments will be taken up at 10:30 am on the days fixed while proceedings prior to the stage of arguments i.e. filing of reply, rejoinder etc. will be conducted from 2:30 pm. Complaints before the Adjudicating Officer will be heard at 10:30 am on the days fixed. For the purposes of clarity, the fixed days and timings are as tabulated below:-

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<u>Bench</u>	Days	Timings
Authority	Wednesday	10:30 am (for arguments)
		02:30 pm (for completion of pleadings) and other preliminary proceedings.
	Friday	10:30 am (for arguments)
		02:30 pm (for completion of pleadings)
Adjudicating	Monday	10:30 am
Officer	Tuesday	
	Thursday	

- 3. In the interests of health and well-being of all concerned, only one lawyer/authorized representative will be allowed to appear on behalf of each of the contesting parties at the time of hearing. It is also desirable that lawyers not gather in large number at any place within the Authority's premises in the interest of public health safety and to avoid inconvenience to the other staff working in the building.
- 4. Co-operation of the members of the PBRERA BAR ASSOCIATION in complying with the above procedure is essential, and will be highly appreciated.

Chairperson