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TAMIL NADU FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

From	To
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R.Dis.No.20740/C1/2023 Dated. 03.01.2024
R.Dis.No.21023/C1/2023
PP NOC No. 03/2024

Sir,

Sub : Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services – Directorate – High Rise Building – Issue of Planning Permission NOC requested –Inspection at M/s. Altis Properties Pvt Ltd, Old Door No.201 (Part), New Door No.09, 10 and 11, Greenways Road (Dr.DGS.Dhinakaran Salai), Raja Annamalaipuram, Old S.No.13, New R.S.No.4274/12, 4274/13, 4274/14, 4274/42, and 4274/43, Block No. 93, Mylapore Village, Chennai 600 028- Reg.

Ref : 1) The applicant letter dated:01.12.2023.
2) The Joint Director, Northern Region, Report Rc.No.6261/C/2023 and Rc.No.6300/C/2023 Dated:15.12.2023.

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Kindly refer to the letter cited above. The MSB inspection committee of the northern region has inspected the site of M/s. Altis Properties Pvt Ltd, Old Door No.201 (Part), New Door No.09, 10 and 11, Greenways Road (Dr.DGS.Dhinakaran Salai), Raja Annamalaipuram, Old S.No.13, New R.S.No.4274/12, 4274/13, 4274/14, 4274/42, and 4274/43, Block No. 93, Mylapore Village, Chennai 600 028, for which the PP NOC has been requested. The committee has made certain observations with regard to fire and life safety, which are reproduced below:-

Observation:

It is a planning proposal for the construction of residential building consisting of Extended Basement Floor Part (Pump room & Pit parking)

+ Stilt (Pit parking) / Ground floor part (Double height lobby) + 11 floors (GYM, Multi-purpose hall & games room at 1st floor level)with the height of 36 meters. The plot area is 2419 square meters and the floor area is 8086.19 square meters. The proposal has side setback of 8 meters at all sides. The proposed occupancy is classified to come under Group A – Residential Building, sub division A-4 Apartments as per the National Building Code of India Part IV Fire and Life Safety – 2016.

The following Fire & Life Safety measures should be provided in the proposed residential building before the issue of compliance certificate as listed below:

1. There should be a Wet-riser along with hose reel assembly per thousand square meters area covering all floor areas with landing valves along with delivery hoses. The raiser should be fully charged with adequate pressure at all times & should have both automatic and manual operation. To feed the wet-riser and sprinkler system an underground static water tank of minimum capacity 75000 liters should be provided with refilling facilities. A terrace level tank of capacity 5000 liters also should be provided in respective towers. An electrical pump of capacity 2280 LPM and equal capacity of one Diesel Pump and one electrical pump of capacity of 180 LPM as a Jockey pump should be provided near the underground water tank. The pumps should be capable of developing pressure of 3.5 kg/cm^2 at terrace level hydrant point. 2 No's of fire shaft are provided.
2. Fire service inlets fitted with NRV at ground level should be provided.
3. Manually operated electric fire alarm system including talk back system to be provided at all floors.
4. The First aid firefighting equipment's should be provided at all floorsin accordance with the IS 2190: 2010 requirements.
5. Automatic sprinkler system should be provided at basement(Pit parking) and stilt floor used for parking.
6. Public Address System should be provided connecting all the floors
7. Lightning arrester should be provided.
8. Alternative & Independent power systems should be provided to Fire pumps, Emergency Lighting system and fire lift.

9. Fire Exit - Internal staircases and External staircase:

Four staircases are provided. All the staircases are internal staircases with external wall. Two staircases should be designated as Fire escape staircase and should be pressurized as per the clause 4.4.2.5 of the requirements of National Building Code of India.

As per clause 4.4.2.4.3.2 of the National Building Code of India part IV Fire and Life safety 2016 – The staircases shall have minimum width of 1.25 meters without railing. The minimum width of tread without nosing shall be 250 mm for residential Building and the tread shall be constructed and maintained in a manner to prevent slipping. The maximum height of riser shall be 150 mm for Residential Building and the number shall be limited to 12 per flights.

Every exit, exit access or exit discharge shall be continuously maintained free of all obstructions or impediments to full use in the case of fire or other emergency.

All exits shall provide continuous means of egress to the exterior of a building or to an exterior open space leading to a street.

Exits shall be so arranged that they may be reached without passing through another occupied unit.

As per clause 4.4.2.4.3.4 of the National Building Code of India part IV fire and life safety 2016- All external stairs shall be directly connected to the ground.

Entrance to the external stairs shall be separate and remote form the internal staircase.

Care shall be taken to ensure that no wall opening or window opens on to or close to an external stairs.

The route to the external stairs shall be free of obstructions at all times.

The external stairs shall be constructed of non-combustible materials and any doorway leading to it shall have the required fire resistance.

No external staircase, used as a fire escape, shall be inclined at an angle greater than 45°from the horizontal.

<u>Fire lifts</u>: As per clause 4.4.2.4.3 (b) (h) (6) of NBC 2016. A staircase shall not be arranged around a lift shaft. Lift shall not open in staircases.

At least one lift should be designated as Fire lift. Fire lifts shall be provided with a minimum capacity for 8 passengers and fully automated with emergency switch on ground level. In general, buildings 15m in height or above shall be provided with fire lifts.

In case of fire, only fireman shall operate the fire lifts. In normal course, it may be used by other persons.

Each fire lift shall be equipped with suitable inter-communications equipment for communicating with the control room on the ground floor of the buildings.

The number and location of fire lifts in a building shall be decided after taking into consideration various factors like building population, floor area, compartmentation, etc.

10. **Firefighting Shaft (Fire Tower):** An enclosed shaft having protected area of 120 min fire resistance rating comprising protected lobby, staircase and fireman's lift, connected directly to exit discharge or through exit passageway with 120 min fire resistant wall at the level of exit discharge to exit discharge. These shall also serve the purpose of exit requirement / strategy from the occupants. The respective floors shall be approachable from Firefighting shaft enable the Fire fighters to access the floor and also enabling the Fire fighters to assist in evacuation through fireman's lift. The firefighting shaft shall be equipped with 120 min fire doors. The firefighting shaft shall be equipped with fireman talk back, wet riser and landing valve in its lobby, to fight fire by fire fighters.
11. **The applicant should not provide any obstruction like transformer yard, generator, Landscape, LPG bank etc., in the setback area, so as to facilitate the easy movement and operation of an aerial ladder platform vehicle during emergency. The setback area should not have any slope / gradient and not be elevated from the ground level.**

12. **Vehicular access within the site –** Internal Vehicular access way including passage if any within the site shall have a clear width of 7.2

13. **Fire Fighting pump house**

As per clause 5.1.2.2 of the National Building Code of India part IV fire and life safety 2016

a) The pump house is provided separately at the basement level. Pump house shall be situated so as to be directly accessible from the surrounding ground level.

b) When installed in the basement, staircase with direct accessibility (or through enclosed passageway with 120 min fire rating) from the ground, shall be provided. Access to the pump room shall not require to negotiate through other occupancies within the basement.

c) Pump house shall be separated by fire walls all around and doors shall be protected by fire doors (120 min rating).

d) Pump house shall be well ventilated and due care shall be taken to avoid water stagnation.

e) No other utility equipment shall be installed inside the fire pump room.

f) Insertions like flexible couplings, bellows, etc., in the suction and delivery piping shall be suitably planned and installed.

g) Installation of negative suction arrangement and submersible pumps shall not be allowed.

h) Pump house shall be sufficiently large to accommodate all pumps and their accessories like PRVs, installation control valves, valves, diesel tank and electrical panel.

i) Battery of diesel engine operated fire pump shall have separate charger from emergency power supply circuit.

j) Exhaust pipe of diesel engine shall be insulated as per best engineering practice and taken to a safe location at ground level, considering the back pressure.

14. **Multilevel Car Parking (pit parking):**

As per Annex (H) H-5 Automated Car Parking utilizing mechanical or computerized:

a) Automated car parking structure is enclosed type at the basement and stilt level.

b) Automated car parking facilities pose more hazard compared to manual parking due to following reasons:

- ❖ High density of cars due to lose stacking – one over another.
- ❖ Lack of provision on fire separation/ compartmentation – horizontal or vertical leading to rapid fire spread.
- ❖ Non – availability of any person to notice/control the fire in initial stages.
- ❖ Limited access to firefighting personnel.
- ❖ Extensive height and depth involved with highly combustible load.

c) Fire escape staircases, at least 1250 mm wide shall be provided at appropriate locations so that no place is more than 45 m from the nearest staircase. Horizontal walkways, at least 1000 mm wide for access to all the areas shall be provided to the pit parking.

d) Travel distance and means of egress shall be governed by the respective sections of this code.

e) The hazardous areas like DG sets, transformers, HT/LT panels for the parking lot shall be suitably segregated from other areas as per requirements given in this Code and all such areas shall be protected by suitable automatic fire suppressions systems.

The following Fire & Life safety measures should be provided in MLCP:-

1. Fire Extinguisher should be provided in MLCP.
2. Automatic Sprinkler system should be provided at MLCP for each slot. All sprinklers in car parking shall be standard response type with minimum K-Factor of 80, area coverage of 9 m^2 and designed as per good practice.
3. Wet Riser system with Hose Reel should be provided at MLCP.
4. Yard Hydrant should be provided at MLCP.
5. Manually Operated Fire Alarm system should be provided at MLCP.
6. The MLCP shall be separated by fire resistant walls and floors having fire resistance rating of not less than 120 min.

15. Service ducts and shafts: As per clause 3.4.5.4 of the National Building Code of India part IV fire and life safety 2016.
16. Fire lift, Electrical Installation and Wiring, AC Duct & other Service Ducts should meet the requirements of NBC of India, Part 8, 2016.
17. The width and height of any arch or gate, if any, should have the clearance of not less than 7 m respectively.
18. The entire setback area earmarked shall be hard paved or provided with reinforced concrete so as to withstand the weight of the Aerial Ladder platform.
19. The Service ducts such as power cables, communication cables, A/C ducts etc. should be protected with proper fire sealing/fire dampers.
20. The Cable gallery should be routed through fire resistant duct or fire protected tray. Suitable detectors shall be provided along the lines of the cable gallery.
21. As per section 3.2 of BIS 12459, 1988 – code of practice for fire safety in cable regularization, 1m transparent fire retardant coatings shall be applied to all cables at termination points in electrical panels and all cables inside the distribution boxes.
22. Fire Resistant and Low Smoke Emission Cable should be used.
23. Assembly points should be designated at the ground floor as per the requirements of fire and life safety measures.
24. Dos and Don'ts laminated hanging pads should be available in all floors in Prominent places.
25. Evacuation route plan should be displayed in each floor at prominent places.
26. If the construction is done with prefabricated materials, sufficient natural vent / mechanized ventilation system should be provided.
27. A trained Fire Officer with a crew shall be arranged to maintain as well as to operate the fire protection systems in case of any need.
28. During construction of the building the following fire protection measures should be provided in good working condition:

1) Dry riser minimum 100 mm diameter pipe with hydrant outlets on the floors constructed with a fire service inlet to boost the water in the riser from fire service pumps.
2) Drums filled with water of 2000 liters capacity with two fire buckets on each floor.
3) A water storage tank of minimum 20000 liters capacity, which may be used for other construction purposes also.

The MSB inspection team has recommended to issue of planning permission / no objection certificate to the proposed building subject to the fulfillment of the above mentioned conditions.

In view of compliance with the above said facts a PP/NOC is issued from the fire service point of view so as to accord planning permission for the above said proposed building subject to fulfillment of all the above said conditions, as recommended by the MSB committee. After completion of this project the compliance certificate should be obtained to ensure fire safety measures.

for Director,
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