Guidelines for closure of GRIHA (version 2 & version 3) projects

Background

GRIHA, a green rating tool has been used as a mechanism to not only assess the present sustainability status of projects but also provides a guidance to all those who intend to work towards achieving sustainability. We at GRIHA stand committed to help projects reach their ultimate goal of reducing carbon footprint through various interventions and technologies. Towards this endeavour, we have come across many projects which could not logically achieve closure due to various factors such as change of ownership, lack of budgets, non-timely interventions, etc. In order to provide a one-time opportunity to all such projects, GRIHA has devised a mechanism for GRIHA projects (from version 2 and version 3) that have not met the mandatory compliances pending which the final ratings could not be awarded. The GRIHA Council is offering a scheme for conversion and closure of all such projects under the GRIHA for existing buildings (GRIHA EB) rating category. This is applicable to all projects irrespective of year of completion.

Intent

- To provide a logical closure to all those projects which could not achieve the final rating as they could not meet the mandatory criteria of GRIHA.
- To provide another opportunity to projects which could not maintain previous documentation or are unable to retrieve the past information.
- To provide recognition to projects that have been maintained well post construction and have the relevant data to substantiate their claims.

Benefit to consultants

- To provide opportunities for consultants to become eligible for GRIHA empanelment when long pending projects are closed and the empanelment criteria is met (5 rated projects requirement)

Applicability

Projects registered under GRIHA Version 2 or Version 3

Fees Structure

The project fee has been devised based on built up areas which are broadly classified as under:

- Project built up area less than 20,000 sqm – INR 1,50,000* + taxes (as applicable)
- Project built up area more than 20,000 sqm – INR 2,00,000* + taxes (as applicable)

*Fee includes

- Registration charges
- professional charges for project review and site visits
- Certification charges
Note:

- Travel and logistics arrangements for 2 GRIHA professionals for workshop, feasibility visit (if opted for) and final site visit are to be borne by the project team
- Feasibility visit (INR 10,000*) is not mandatory and is chargeable at INR 10,000 + taxes (as applicable) if availed
- Payment of fees does not guarantee award of desired rating.

Timelines

On submission of the final documents within 3 months of payment of fees, GRIHA Council would assess the project completion in terms of mandatory criteria and ensure that all relevant documents have been submitted. Once the preliminary assessment is done GRIHA council will close the project within 1 month subject to timely inputs from project team.

Process for converting GRIHA (version 2 & 3) projects to GRIHA EB rating

1. GRIHA EB Feasibility study
2. Mandatory compliant as per GRIHA EB
3. Register Online for GRIHA EB
4. Payment of applicable fees
5. Documentation submission to GRIHA Council
6. 1st Review by GRIHA Council
7. Final Site visit by GRIHA Council
8. Revised documentation submission by project
9. Award of GRIHA EB rating

Documentation submission has to be done within 3 months on payment of fees.

Mandatory non compliant as per GRIHA EB
Project cannot shift to GRIHA EB
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