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# FEBRUARY 2017 BULLETIN

MBAM started the early of February with a bit of a slower pace as we took a short break in celebration of the Chinese New Year. However, this

is set to increase in March as we have scheduled several major events for our members. Among the main activities that you can look forward to are the Second Session of Practical Construction Contract Administration/Management on Extension of Time on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017, MBAM Open House on 25th March 2017 and MBAM OSH Seminar in Melaka on 29th March 2017. I hope all members can continue to actively support our events by participating!

The following are the main events that we had in the month of February:-

**MALAYSIA-CHINA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (MCCC) – CHINESE NEW** YEAR RECEPTION 2017

MBAM was invited to the Malaysia-China Chamber of Commerce (MCCC) - Chinese New Year Reception 2017 on 4th February 2017 at Ballroom 1, Level 2, The



MBAM representatives with Mr Tan Yew Sing, MCCC President (Centre)

Federal Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. The event was attended by MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Deputy President, Tan Sri A. K. Nathan, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and I.

**BRIEFING SESSION** FOR CONSTRUCTION **INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD MALAYSIA** (CIDB) **APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME FOR** CONSTRUCTION **INDUSTRY** 

Representing CIDB Malaysia were Officers from the Management Competency Supervisory Development Division and Trade Competency Development Division MBAM successfully conducted a briefing session on "Construction Industry Apprenticeship Programme" on 14th February 2017 at the MBAM Training Centre. The briefing was attended by 42 participants from MBAM member companies. MBAM Vice President and Chairman of Human Resources Committee, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming delivered a short welcome remarks before inviting CIDB Malaysia to share their input on the programme with members.



Among the participants of the programme

namely Puan Nor Azian Hashim, Cik Nurul Nadiah Norzan, Puan Nadzhatul Syamiru and Puan Hanisha Hani Othman. Also present was MBAM Council Member, Mr Michael Yap and MBAM Programme Consultant, Mr Andrew Ong.

Under the Construction Industry Transformation Programme (CITP), CIDB Malaysia has been entrusted to train at least 5,000 apprentices for the construction industry from 2016 - 2020 with the aim to improve the workmanship and work quality of



ABM graduates or new graduates at construction worksite. In line with the said effort, CIDB will be offering financial assistance (up to 3 months) to construction firms that offered employment to new ABM youth graduates (all types of trade), Supervisors, Management and Safety & Health graduates (diploma/ degree holder). Upon completion of the 3 months "Apprenticeship" period, both the Employer and Employee are free to choose whether to continue or terminate the Employment contract.

After the briefing session, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming moderated the Questions & Answers session with all members. MBAM members who are interested to take up the programme are required to submit their application to MBAM (being the main organizer) to process and submit their application to CIDB Malaysia.

MBAM Vice President and Chairman of Human Resources Committee, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming

VISIT TO
VOCATIONAL
EDUCATION
TRAINING
ACADEMY
(VETA)

MBAM Vice President, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming, MBAM Programme Consultant, Mr Andrew Ong, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Min Fung paid a visit to Vocational Education Training Academy (VETA) at Semenyih on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017. MBAM delegates were welcomed by the Directors of VETA, Mr Eric Wong

and Mr Chang Aik Ming. The objectives of the visit were to explore the training facilities of VETA, to explore opportunities to collaborate with VETA on skills training for the Construction Industry and on providing job placements for VETA trainees at MBAM Members Companies.



MBAM delegates was taken to tour around the academy

VETA is one of the skills training centre listed under the Ministry of Human Resources and is located in Semenyih, Selangor. It provides full training facilities and hostel for trainees. VETA conduct skills training Programme for Form 5 school leavers at a complimentary fee and focuses mainly on:



Presentation of token of appreciation to Pn Roszida Binti Othman, Chief Executive Officer, VETA

- 1. Welding
- 2. Automotive
- 3. WSO (World Safety Organisation) compliance OSH programme
- 4. Scaffolding Safety Erectors Training

VETA is funded by Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA), Perbadanan Tabung Pendidikan Tinggi Nasional (PTPTN), Tabung Pembangunan Kemahiran (MOHR), FELDA, Selangor State Government, among others. Graduates are required to gradually pay back the Government after 6 months of working. Currently, graduates are attached to Sapura Kencana, Hilton, Malaysian Marine Heavy Engineering (MMHE) as well as Iskandar Projects.

# 44<sup>TH</sup> BUILDING INDUSTRY PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL MEETING

MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and I attended the 44<sup>th</sup> Building Industry Presidents' Council Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at the Real Estate

Housing and Developers' Association, Malaysia (REHDA) Conference Room, Kelana Jaya, Petaling Jaya. The Chairmanship of BIPC was handed over from Pertubuhan Arkitek Malaysia (PAM) to Real Estate & Housing Developers' Association Malaysia (REHDA) with effect from 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

Handover of BIPC Chairmanship from PAM to REHDA



#### Some of the issues discussed were:-

- PAM and REHDA are working together to hold a forum with Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia (LAM) on the issue of the implementation of Architect's Fee Deposit, with LAM as stakeholder. REHDA members do not agree with the payment of security deposit to be collected from the developer by LAM.
- PAM is planning to establish a Building Information Modelling (BIM) centre and will take the lead on the push for BIM adoption in the industry.
- III. The major changes in the Town Planning Act is on the implementation of the Social Impact Assessment (SIA). However, there is still no proper guidelines or mechanism in place with regards to the assessment.
- IV. There will be an imposition of 50% IBS score for projects costing RM50 million and above by the government.
- V. The National Water Services Commission (SPAN) is currently amending the Water Services Act.
- VI. BIPC will be writing to the Jabatan BOMBA for a dialogue session on the proposed implementation of Insulated Fire Rated Doors for Lifts requirement.
- VII. CIDB has started enforcing the Act 520 on the Scaffolding material requirement since 1st January 2017. The steel scaffolding must comply with the material code to MS 1462. However, MBAM is still appealing to CIDB for a delay in the implementation, in view that there are still insufficient suppliers in the market. Currently there are only 2 approved scaffold manufacturers/suppliers in the market.
- VIII. The proposed Employer Mandatory Commitment (EMC) by the Government to transfer the responsibility of the foreign worker levy (RM1,850.00) from the employee to the employer and the employer have to guarantee that the worker does not run away has been deferred to next year after appeal from various trade associations.



During the BIPC meeting

- IX. The Government is issuing Enforcement Card (E-card) from 15th February 2017 to 30th June 2017 that will allow illegal foreign workers with legal employers to work temporary while their application for legalization is pending. This stopgap measure will help to overcome the shortage of workers especially skilled workers.
- The proposed Employment Insurance Scheme (EIS) will be implemented soon pending on the final approval by the Government as announced in January 2017 by the Minister of Human Resources. The scheme is to provide temporary financial assistance and opportunities for reskilling and upskilling for retrenched workers.

**TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (TC) FOR GUIDELINE** ON THE SAFE USE OF THE MOBILE **ELEVATED WORK PLATFORMS** (MEWPs), **MEETING** NO. 1/2017

Master Builders Association Malaysia (MBAM) together with the International Powered Access Federation (IPAF), and the Department of Occupational Safety & Health (DOSH) are forming a Technical Committee (TC) to draft a guideline on the safe use of Mobile Elevated Work Platforms (MEWPs) for the Malaysian Construction Industry. The meeting was held on 15th February 2017 at MBAM Secretariat Office and chaired by Chairman of MBAM Safety & Health Committee,

Mr Michael Yap and attended by Deputy Chairman of MBAM Safety & Health Committee, Mr Wilson Ang, MBAM Safety & Health Committee Members, Major (R) Leong Yee Keong & Tuan Hj Noryani, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Manager, Ms Chai

Min Fung, MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Farhan and representative from IPAF, DOSH, CIDB Malaysia, MMCOA, Manufacturer as well as Supplier.



The meeting in session

The purpose of this Technical Committee is to establish a Guideline on the Use of Mobile Elevated Work Platforms (MEWPs) for the industry which is user friendly and in compliance with the regulatory requirements in Malaysia. MBAM hope this first available Guideline would reduce occurrence of accidents at job sites as well as increase safety awareness and takes precaution when operating the MEWPs equipment.





MBAM
SCAFFOLDING
TRAINING –
LEVEL 1
(BASIC)

The 22<sup>nd</sup> intake Level 1 (Basic) Scaffolding Course was successfully held on 13<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 with 11 participants. This course is designed for any personnel involved in Heavy Industry and Construction and is especially relevant to personnel who are:

- Hands on.
- Safety & Health practitioners who are responsible to coordinate plan and implement scaffolding work at work site.

The structured approach of learning using the Training Modules and Methods of presentation, is designed to give a comprehensive overview of the work process so that it is in compliance with the scaffolding standard BS 1139 and the requirement of the legislations. After attending this session, participants are able to compare and understand all the scaffolding systems and procedures between Frame, Tubular and Modular types.



The trainees for the level 3 scaffolding training

This Competency Scaffolding training is approved and recognized by DOSH and is 100% HRDF claimable. Participating company will be given an approved 20 CIDB CCD Points for each employee attended this training as well as 10 DOSH CEP Points.

For more information, please visit MBAM website: www.mbam.org.my or contact MBAM Secretariat, Mr Mohd Farhan at 012-213 3675.

COURTESY VISIT
BY SELANGOR
& FEDERAL
TERRITORY
BUILDERS
ASSOCIATION

MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong welcomed the delegates from Selangor & Federal Territory Builders Association (SFTBA) which was led by their President, Mr Eng Chan Seng. SFTBA President Mr Eng introduced his fellow members present, the history of SFTBA and some of its illustrious Past Presidents like Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng, Tan Sri Dato' Low Keng Huat and Tan Sri Dato' Seri (Dr) Yeoh Tiong Lay. The visit was held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room.

In opening the floor for a friendly dialogue, Mr Michael Thong talked on

the Amendment of CIDB Act 520 Pindaan in relationship to the Trade Foreman accreditation jointly developed by CIDB and MBAM which was tailored to cater to the "Kepala" or Supervisor and urged SFTBA to disseminate information on the accreditation programme to their members. He further highlighted on the implementation of Schedule 4 materials list which required Perakuan Pematuhan Standard (PPS) and Certificate of Approval (COA) and cautioned SFTBA on the penalty. He then moved to discuss current issues such as implementation of MS 1462 scaffolding and its effect on the construction industry



The representatives from Selangor & Federal Territory Builders Association

and the proposed temporarily soft implementation by DOSH to mitigate the inconvenience and loss off profits for the contractors.



The MBAM 60th Coffee Table Book was presented as a token of appreciation

In response SFTBA highlighted on the shortage of skilled Tower Crane operators and the high salary demanded and the high assessment fees of RM450.00 charged by CIDB for accreditation of Site Supervisors. Mr Michael Thong informed them about the tower crane operator training program conducted by Persatuan Ampunya Jentera Pembinaan Berat Malaysia in conjunction with CIDB and hopefully that it would eliminate the shortage of the skilled tower crane operators. On the issue of high assessment fees he said he would convey it to the respective committee in MBAM to look into it.

6 FULL DAY SESSIONS
TRAINING
PROGRAMME
SEMINARS &
WORKSHOPS SESSION 1:
INSTRUCTION,
VARIATION AND
RATES
RATIONALISATION,
PAYMENT CLAIMS
AND FINAL ACCOUNT

The collaboration with Sr. Ong Hock Tek of BK Entrusty continued for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in 2017. There were 54 participants registered for the first session on the topic of Variation and Rates Rationalization and Payment Claims and Final Account held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 at MBAM Training Centre. The following matters were discussed in the training with reference to previously published articles in Master Builders Journal on Variation and Rates Rationalisation and payment claims and Final Account.



Sr. Ong Hock Tek conducting the seminar



Among the participants that attended the seminar

#### Variation and Rates Rationalization

- What constitute Variations and how to evaluate them? (4Q 08)
- ◆ Can the contractor insist on agreeing to the cost of Variation work before he proceeds with it? (3Q 02)
- Can a contractor claim for compensation for extra work when there is no S.O. instruction? (2Q 07)
- Is the contractor bound by his tendered rates if the quantities changed substantially? (4Q 02)
- Must the QS take into account signed daywork sheets by the Architect/Engineer and can he then alter the daywork quantities on reasonable basis? (1Q 03)
- Rates rationalization practices in the construction industry. (3Q 14)

## **Payment Claims and Final Account**

- ◆ Must the contractor submit his interim payment claims before the Superintending Officer (S.O.) certifies for payment? (1Q 08)
- ♦ What is a Quantum Meruit claims? (3Q 07)
- ◆ What is Set-Off under construction contracts? (4Q 03)
- ♦ Should a sub-contractor sign a sub contract with Pay-When-Paid clause? (3Q 04)
- ◆ Is Final Account final? If not, what are the circumstances that allow revisions to be made? (4Q 04)
- ◆ The demise of Conditional Payment Clauses in the Malaysian construction industry (updated, including CIPAA) (3Q 13, 1&2Q 14)

ASEAN
CONSTRUCTORS'
FEDERATION (ACF)
- ASEAN
CONSTRUCTION
SKILLS TRADE
STANDARDS
TRAINING (ACSTST)
TECHNICAL WORK
GROUP (TWG)

MBAM has successfully hosted the ASEAN Construction Standard Trade Skills Training (ACSTST) Technical Work Group (TWG) meeting from 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. The objective of the meeting was to discuss and finalize the Standards for Competency Assessment on Trade Skills for ACF. As a background, the ACSTST initiative started in 2010 with the aims to promote harmonisation of construction skills standards across ASEAN countries, to increase productivity and value creation of their respective workforce. The area of harmonization are:

- 1. Qualification Standards refers to the personal and professional attributes, including the skills, experience, education, physical, medical, safety and other requirements which an individual must meet in order to be eligible for training.
- 2. Competency standards refers to the list of skills/competencies available to the individual for his education and training
- 3. Training standards set to provide the instructors with the information and other important requirements to consider when designing training programs for a specific competency standard
- 4. Assessment/certification arrangements created to verify and validate the competencies of the trainees through a hands-on and written assessment; demonstrating the competencies they have learned in the Training Standards

A total of 35 delegates participated in the said meeting. Also present were the ACF Chairman, Mr Nattaphorn Bhromsuthi and ACF Secretary-General, Ms Liza Ngamtrakulpanit. MBAM representatives who were present to support the event were President,

Mr Foo Chek Lee, Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee, Deputy President, Tan Sri A.K. Nathan, Vice Presidents, Tan Sri Dato' Sri Sufri Mohd Zin, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming, Mr Oliver Wee and Mr Chung Soo Kiong, Treasurer-General, Mr Kenneth Liew, Deputy Secretary-General I, Mr Ong Ka Thiam and I. Meanwhile, CIDB was represented by Senior General Manager for Construction Personnel & Contractor Development Sector, Mr Mohd Nazli Ahmad Mahyadin and Senior Manager for Skills Competency Development Division, Ir. Raslim Salleh.

CIDB Malaysia presented a short presentation on the "Skilled Manpower Development & Accreditation in the Construction Industry" highlighting Malaysia's effort in developing our Competency-based training for the construction industry with the aim to achieve the following:

- A structured training and development programme ensures that they have a consistent skill, experience and background knowledge of their scope of work.
- A new generation of competent skill workforce & supervisory and managerial workforce is developed and supplied into the industry.

MBAM Vice President, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming represented MBAM to moderate the 2-day meeting session and deliberation in details on the ACF recommended ACF Trade Skills Standards for System Formwork, Steel Reinforcement Work, Plastering, Bricklaying and Tiling. Meanwhile, MBAM Deputy President, Tan Sri A. K. Nathan shared with members on the proposed standard work procedure for Structural Steel. The TWG has agreed the general standards guideline for each of the trade skills must consist the following:

- a. Qualification standard
- b. Basic competencies
- c. Common competencies
- d. Core competencies
- e. Trainings standard
- f. Assessment & Certificate Arrangement

The final consensus made was each member's Association to review and comment on the standard and assessment for the 6 trade skills based on the Building Construction Authority (BCA, Singapore) and Technical Education & Skills Development Authority (TESDA, Philippines ) experience as follows:

- Indonesia Contractors Association (ICA) Plastering
- Master Builders Association Malaysia (MBAM) – Structural Steel
- 3. Philippine Constructors Association (PCA)– System Formwork
- 4. The Singapore Contractors Association Limited (SCAL) Steel Reinforcement Work
- 5. Thai Contractors Association (TCA) Bricklaying
- 6. Vietnam Association of Construction Contractors (VACC) Tiling



During the ACSTST meeting

All member's Associations were requested to submit their proposal on/before 25<sup>th</sup> March 2017 to MBAM for necessary compilation for presentation at the ASEAN Constructors' Federation (ACF) meeting which is scheduled on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017 in Jakarta, Indonesia.



Group photo with all the delegates

SABAH BUILDERS
ASSOCIATION
(SBA) - SABAH
CONSTRUCTION
FAIR

MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong, MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Ming Fung and MBAM Executive Officer, Ms Abbie Ng attended the inaugural Sabah Construction Fair 2017

which was organized by the Sabah Builders Association under its President, Mr Cheong Kwee Min and the exhibition Organizing Chairman, Datuk Gerald Goh.

The theme of the event was "Innovation, Technology and Transformation" and the

event was supported and endorsed by the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) and was officiated by the MOSTI Minister, Y.B Datuk Wilfred Madius Tanggau. The main objective of the exhibition were to bring together the supply chain of the construction industry under one roof and to create a networking platform for all the construction and industry players in Sabah.





At MBAM's booth

The exhibition comprised a total of 129 booths which made up of exhibitors from France, Japan, Austria, Germany, India, China, East and West Malaysia. In addition to the exhibition was the inclusion of a seminar programme which saw 17 renowned speakers talking on various topics related to construction methodology and construction services. The Seminar was spread over 2 days and was fully participated.

Group photo with SBA's President and Council Members

REAL ESTATE
& HOUSING
DEVELOPERS'
ASSOCIATION
MALAYSIA
(REHDA) REGIONAL
ECONOMIC &
BUSINESS
OUTLOOK
CONFERENCE
2017

Real Estate & Housing Developers' Association Malaysia (REHDA) organised the Regional Economic and Business Outlook Conference 2017 on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at Wisma REHDA. The conference was attended by various representatives from banking, fund managers, building and construction, property development, Bank Negara, State Government, Federal Government and various government linked agencies.

MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee was invited as one of the panelist for Session 3 discussing on Factors influencing Malaysia's Major Business Sectors in 2017 (Banking, Manufacturing, Construction, Property Development) alongside REHDA National Treasurer & REHDA Institute Trustee, Datuk

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A token of appreciation was presented by REHDA National Treasurer, Y.Bhg Datuk Hj Muztaza bin Hj Mohamad

Haji Muztaza Bin Haji Mohamad; Executive Director, SERC, Former Senior

Economist BNM, Mr Lee Heng Guie; Association of Banks in Malaysia, Datuk Haji Hamirullah Boorhan; Vice President of Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers, Mr Jacob Lee Chor Kok. There were about 200 participants who attended the conference.



MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) with the rest of the panelist for the REHDA Institute Economic Business Outlook Conference 2017

MBAM Council
Member, Mr
Eric Kuan,
MBAM Secretary
General, Mr
Dennis Tan
and MBAM
Treasurer General,
Mr Kenneth
Liew at the
REHDA Institute
Economic Business
Outlook
Conference 2017



# OTHER KEY EVENTS ATTENDED BY MBAM REPRESENTATIVES IN FEBRUARY 2017:-

#### 6th February 2017

Focus Group on Registering Property (FGRP) Meeting No. 1/2017 was attended by MBAM Honorary Advisor, Dato' Ng Kee Leen and MBAM PR Executive, Ms Tessa Hamid at Bilik Majlis, Blok Inovasi, MPC Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

Research on impact of Heavy Machinery Import Duty exemption for projects using IBS was attended by MBAM Deputy Secretary General 1, Mr Ong Ka Thiam, MBAM Council Member, Mr Verdon Tan, Mr Foong Seng Aun from Gamuda Bhd and MBAM IT & Admin Executive, Mr Muhammad Fadzley at Bilik Mesyuarat, Construction Research Institute of Malaysia (CREAM).

#### 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) - Chinese New Year Open House 2017 was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Dewan Serbaguna, Kompleks Sukan TNB, Kuala Lumpur.

Lighthouse Annual Chinese New Year Celebration was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee, MBAM Deputy Secretary 2, Mr Eric Yong, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Assistant General Managers, Mr Lenny Lim and Mr Michael Thong at El Sids, Medan Damansara.

## 8th February 2017

Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) - ASEAN Consultative Committee for Standard & Quality (ACCSQ): Asean MRA on Building & Construction Material Session was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Bilik Perhentian, PWTC.

CIDB Bengkel Penetapan KPI-Annual Target on Intensify Contractors Capacity & Capability No. 2/2017 was attended by MBAM Vice President, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming at Bilik Bunga Raya, Tingkat 3, Seri Pacific Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

Malaysia Steel and Metal Distributors Association (MSMDA)-Chinese New Year Open House 2017 was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong and I at Bukit Jalil Golf and Country Club.

#### 13th February 2017

Formation SEADMA Malaysia Chapter was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Le Meridien Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

# 14th February 2017

Focus Group on Evaluation of Mandatory MYCREST for Project Valued at RM100 Million and Above was attended by MBAM Council Member, Mr Lau Yew Mun at KAED Briefing Room, level 4, International Islamic University Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur.

SIRIM Technical Committee on Building Design & Construction Meeting was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Bilik ISO, SIRIM.

#### 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Meeting with Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) to Discuss on Grant Application for 2017 Safety Programme was attended by MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Council Member and Chairman of Safety and Health Committee, Mr Michael Yap, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Min Fung and MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Farhan at Bilik Mesyuarat 1, Sunway Putra Tower, Kuala Lumpur.

Meeting with Aires Oh from Traders Hotel Kuala Lumpur to Discuss 44<sup>th</sup> IFAWPCA Convention 2018 was attended by MBAM Senior Manager, Ms Lee Siew Mei at Traders Hotel Kuala Lumpur.

#### 16th February 2017

SIRIM Working Group on Ceramic was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Bilik ISO, SIRIM.

Preparatory Meeting with YAB Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia was attended by MBAM Human Resources Committee Member, En Mazlan Haron at Palm Hill Café, Putrajaya Shangri-La (Taman Putra Perdana), Putrajaya.

Roundtable Session with YAB Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia was attended by MBAM Human Resources Committee Member, En Mazlan Haron at Bilik Mesyuarat, Pejabat Timbalan Perdana Menteri, Aras 4, Blok Barat, Bangunan Perdana Putra, Putrajaya.

#### 16th - 17th February 2017

Construction Sector Transparency Initiative (CoST) International Transparency, Accountability Standard and Practical Tool Workshop was attended by MBAM Deputy Chairman of Contracts and Practices Committee, Mr Steven Shee at Intercontinental Bangkok.

## 17th February 2017

Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) Working Group for Temporary Works & Scaffolding at work site was attended by MBAM Council Member, Mr Michael Yap at Sunway Putra Tower, Kuala Lumpur.

Customers' Appreciation Night hosted by the Managing Director and Management Team of Sime Darby Industrial Sdn Bhd was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Lenny Lim at Ballroom, TPC Kuala Lumpur (formerly known as KLGCC), Bukit Kiara, Kuala Lumpur.

Chinese New Year Gathering Dinner for Federation of Malaysia Hardware, Machinery & Building Materials Dealers Association was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Noble Banquet, 235 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur.

### 17th - 19th February 2017

CIDB Technical Committee Meetings on Construction Practices was attended by MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Leon Leong and MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Farhan at Awana Genting.

# 18<sup>th</sup> February 2017

MBAM Site Safety Supervisor (SSS) Kuala Lumpur 58<sup>th</sup> Intake: Paper 2 Site Assessment was attended by MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Min Fung and MBAM Senior Executive Officer, Ms Ida Fatmawati at Opus Kuala Lumpur Residences Project Site.

# 19th February 2017

Construction Occupational Competency Development (COCD) Programme For Construction Trade Supervisor (Foreman) 1<sup>st</sup> Intake in Johor was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong, MBAM Admin Officer, Ms Alice Lai and MBAM Trainer, Mr Ho Chee Leong.

#### 20th February 2017

Pembinaan Mitrajaya Sdn Bhd Site Safety Campaign was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Min Fung and MBAM Admin Assistant, Ms Fadhira Aqilah at SPRM Putrajaya.

#### 21st February 2017

SIRIM Technical Committee on Bricks & Blocks was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong at Bilik ISO, SIRIM.

International Construction Week (ICW) 2017 Meeting was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Hanif at Level 2 PWTC, Bilik Johor & Bilik Kedah, Level 2, PWTC, Kuala Lumpur.

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

CIDB MBAM N3C Meeting was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong and MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Leon Leong at Meeting Room, level 34, CIDB, PWTC, Kuala Lumpur.

Review on Workshop of Building Material Pricing (N3C) with Building Materials Distributors Association Malaysia (BMDAM) was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong and MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Leon Leong at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room.

Joint Meeting on Foreign Workers Issues – Proposals for Joint Taskforce with Ministry of Home Affairs was attended by MBAM President, Mr Foo Chek Lee and MBAM Senior Manager, Ms Lee Siew Mei at ACCCIM Conference Room, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Wisma Chinese Chamber, Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur.

# 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

Meeting Invitation on Infrastructure Transparency Initiative was attended by MBAM Deputy Chairman of Contracts and Practices Committee, Mr Steven Shee and MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling at Main meeting room, Malaysia Institute Integrity, Kuala Lumpur.

Taklimat Bersama Kesatuan Majikan on "Sistem Pemohonan Pekerja Asing was attended by Ms Joanne Ng from Bina Puri Holdings Bhd and MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Farhan at Putrajaya International Convention Centre, Putrayaja.

Building Materials Distributors Association Malaysia (BMDAM) - Chinese New Year Gathering 2017 was attended by MBAM Assistant General Managers, Mr Lenny Lim and Mr Michael Thong, MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Leon Leong and MBAM Executive Officer, Ms Abbie Ng at Oriental Pavilion, Petaling Jaya.

# 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Pembangunan Sistem Penilaian Infrastruktur Mampan Melalui Projek Perintis Menggunakan Sistem Penilaian Ceequal was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Lenny Lim at Avenue 9, Level 1, Grand Season Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

Dinner hosted by CIDB for ACSTST participants was attended by MBAM Deputy President, Tan Sri A. K. Nathan, MBAM Vice President, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming and MBAM Treasurer General, Mr Kenneth Liew at Diamond 4, Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

#### 27th February 2017

Interview with Dato' Ir. Ahmad Asri, Chief Executive of Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) was attended by MBAM Vice President, Mr Chung Soo Kiong, MBAM Committee Member, Mr Tan Kim Yoke, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Mohd Hanif at Level 25, Menara Dato' Onn, PWTC, Kuala Lumpur.

#### 28th February 2017

Visit of Human Resource Minister to Construction Site Complex F, Putrajaya and Launching of Construction Design Management Guidelines at Tapak Pembinaan Kompleks F, Prescint 1, Putrajaya was attended by MBAM Honorary Advisor, Dato' Ir. Tan Kia Loke, MBAM Vice President, Mr Chung Soo Kiong, MBAM Executive Director, Ms Loh Mei Ling and MBAM Manager, Ms Chai Min Fung.

Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) Workshop on Review of Building Material Pricing (N3C) was attended by MBAM Assistant General Manager, Mr Michael Thong and MBAM Assistant Manager, Mr Leon Leong at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room.

Yours faithfully,

**MASTER BUILDERS ASSOCIATION MALAYSIA** 

#### **DENNIS TAN**

**MBAM Secretary General** 

# **MBAM SITE SAFETY SUPERVISOR (SSS) COURSE TRAINING CALENDAR 2017**

		2017				
STATES	CLASS	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
KUALA LUMPUR	FULL TIME	27 Feb - 6 Mar		27 Mar - 3 Apr	24 Apr - 5 May	
KUALA LUMPUR	WEEKEND	11 Feb - 5 Mar 29 Apı		29 Apr -	· 21 May	
PENANG	FULL TIME	22 Feb - 1 Mar		27 Apr - 5 May		
JOHOR	WEEKEND	20 Jan - 12 Feb	3 - 19	31 Mar - 16 Apr		
KOTA KINABALU, SABAH	FULL TIME	8 - 15		20 - 27		
KUCHING, SARAWAK	WEEKEND		29 Mar - 5 Apr			
MIRI, SARAWAK	FULL TIME		16 - 23			
BINTULU, SARAWAK	FULL TIME	13 - 20			11 - 18	

Weekend (WE) Classes will be conducted on: **Saturday & Sunday**: 8.00 am to 7.00 pm

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