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Dato' Sri Eric Kuan MBAM Secretary General

In the month of June, MBAM held its 67<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting virtually and some motions were raised and passed in which you can know about the details in the report section. I would like to make an appeal to MBAM Members to participate more actively in the various surveys and feedback requests from the Government and its various implementing agencies. This will help to strengthen our voice especially when we appeal to the Government to listen to our point of view so that we can better help contractors and builders. Let us work closely together during this COVID-19 pandemic recovery period so that our industry can come out of it stronger and more resilient.

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MBAM Event(s)

# Meeting to Discuss Issues Faced by MBAM Members in Getting MITI CIMS 3.0 Approval

Many construction companies have not received the approval to resume work or are still in obtaining the approval via CIMS. MBAM members are also facing various difficulties in obtaining approval namely due to:

- Confusing application processes and procedures that keep changing from time to time;
- 2) No proper guidelines and unclear directions or instructions;
- 3) Website not prepared to handle the traffic surge; showing Error 503 and page is unable to load error message;
- 4) Heavy traffic to load web pages resulting in difficulty to upload or update information;
- 5) Limited section to choose from and applicants are not allowed to choose more than one sector for the same project;
- Approval process takes too long and no indication of number of days for approval;
- 7) Some projects are allowed to operate but the offices are not given approval even though there are critical support staff that need to work in office; and,
- 8) Busy care lines under CIDB and MITI CIMS which prevented MBAM members from seeking immediate assistance.

To resume work operations at construction sites, there is also the need to obtain approval from the Local Authority or *Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan* (PBT) and Department of Labour (JTK) with regards to the compliance of the Temporary Labour Quarters (TLQ) as per Act 446. Furthermore, there is much confusion on who is to be tested for COVID-19 during this period. For example, if workers have been tested before the FMCO, do these workers still need to be tested?

It was decided that letters to be drafted soonest to the attention of CIDB and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Economy) highlighting the said issues and to make recommendations to help MBAM members. The virtual meeting held on 14 June was chaired by MBAM Vice President Eric Yong.

# Meeting on OSH Training Programme between MBAM and Construction Association of Bhutan (CAB)



Held on 18 June, the meeting was chaired by Council Member cum Chairman of Safety & Health Committee Michael Yap and attended by Council Member cum Deputy Chairman Alec Chong, Safety & Health Committee Members, Secretariat staff and the representatives from the Construction Association of Bhutan (CAB), led by its Executive Director Tshering Younten.

The meeting discussed on the potential Occupational Safety & Health (OSH) training programmes as well as the collaboration between MBAM and CAB. The CAB has invited MBAM as speaker to share experience and present OSH related topics to their safety personnel in Bhutan.

# Meeting on Mobile Elevating Working Platform (MEWP) Training with TESH Resources Sdn Bhd



The meeting deliberated on the training plan, modules or syllabus, examination and etc. as well as the draft for MOA between MBAM and TESH Resources Sdn Bhd. Held on 22 June, the meeting was chaired Council Member cum Chairman of Safety & Health Committee Michael Yap and attended by Council Member cum Deputy Chairman Alec Chong, Safety & Health Committee Members, Secretariat staff and the representatives from TESH Resources, led by Mazlan Ahmad.

# MBAM 67th Annual General Meeting





A total of 124 members and 10 observers (including Auditor) attended the 67<sup>th</sup> AGM held on 26 June. In President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin's opening speech, he said that the year has been eventful but a challenging one. With the COVID-19 pandemic putting a spanner in the Association's best laid plans, MBAM is still and always appreciative of members' continuous support for the Association and the construction industry. He took the opportunity to call upon members to assist in getting more members to join the Association. He said that the Association is continuously working to project a stronger image, and it can be achieved by having a larger and stronger membership base.

He also informed that for the past year, MBAM has taken swift action during the pandemic and engaged actively with various government ministries and authorities to address pressing issues. MBAM has urged the Government to improve the Temporary Measures For Reducing the Impact of Coronavirus Disease 19 (COVID-19) 2020 [Act 829] especially with regards to cost sharing and Extension of Time (EOT) which should be specifically expressed, resolve the slow permit approval for workers' accommodation by PBT and JTK, review guidelines for temporary labour quarters, defer implementation of Act 446, provide financial aid/moratorium for SME and construction industry and etc.

The first motion was the confirmation of minutes of the last 66<sup>th</sup> AGM held in December 2020. I then delivered the Annual Report of the Association for the year 2020 and thereafter MBAM Treasurer General Yeoh Keong Yuan presented the Treasurer General's report and Audited Account for the year ended 31 December 2020. During the 67<sup>th</sup> AGM, the appointment of Messrs. Zamzuri & Co. as the Auditor for the financial year 2021 at a remuneration of RM5,300.00 per annum was approved.

Before the meeting concluded, I urged members to write in officially to MBAM if there are other issues that need to be addressed and another forum session shall be arranged to discuss the issues. We would like to assure members that we will continue to pursue these pressing issues from time to time with the relevant authorities.

There being no other matters, the meeting was adjourned at 11.40 a.m.





Some of the attendees at the MBAM 67th AGM

# Virtual Meeting with Contractors Associations and Building Materials Suppliers

MBAM called for a virtual meeting with 34 Associations comprising of contractors' Associations and building materials suppliers on 29 June to discuss the issues affecting the industry during the Full Movement Control Order (FMCO) lockdown. The meeting was chaired by President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin and moderated by Vice President Eric Yong.



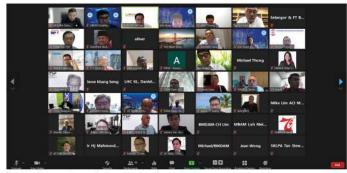
Meeting was chaired by President Tan Sri Sufri

As a result of the meeting, a joint memorandum to the Prime Minister and press release was issued on 2 July 2021. It was put forth that vaccination priority should be given to construction industry workers and the building materials supply chain under Phase 2 of the National COVID-19 Immunisation Program (PICK) with a target of full vaccination or two doses by the third quarter of 2021, and the reopening of the construction industry in stages and by priority.

Following the Government's announcement in maintaining the implementation of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) of the FMCO through Phase 1 of the National Recovery Plan (NRP), most economic activities are still not allowed, and the construction industry is one of the most affected sectors since the re-implementation of MCO since 1 June 2021. Currently, the operating rate of construction sites is low and most of the contractors currently in operation have taken note of the shortage of existing building material stocks which will most likely run out in the near future.

It was also submitted that we strongly support the efforts and initiatives of the Special Committee for Ensuring Access to COVID-19 Vaccine Supply (JKJAV) and the COVID-19 Immunisation Task Force (CITF). However, we hope that the vaccine supply delivery schedule will be improved to achieve the set vaccination rates.

We also agree that the reopening of the construction industry should start from now and not in Phase 3 of NRP, where the use of threshold values collectively at the national level as opposed to the use of specific local situations, is not very helpful in our members' planning. The extension of Phase 1 to July 2021 without a clear end date is also a sign that the transition to the next NRP phase remains subjective. Therefore, we recommend that the reopening of the construction industry to be implemented in stages and in order of priority. Flexibility can be given to some sectors in the industry to resume operations when part of their workforce has been vaccinated. All companies or businesses allowed to operate must adhere to strict SOPs even among fully vaccinated employees. It is appropriate to emphasise here that the supply chain of the construction industry which includes suppliers of building materials and professional services or consultants also requires permission to work according to the same timeline as contractors.



Part of the attendance during the virtual meeting

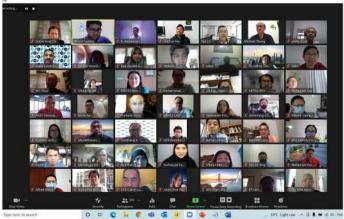
In the meantime, we also requested that the SOPs for the construction industry and all related sub-sectors be issued early before the implementation date of any new restrictions or regulations, rather than being introduced at the last minute. This is to help contractors and all elements of the construction supply chain make adequate preparations in the implementation of the SOP.

The reopening of the construction industry can be assessed and implemented according to different time frames and determined by factors that are objective as well as localised. Among other issues and proposals included a study of expanding the operational coverage of Variation of Price (VOP) clause and automatic Extension of Time (EOT) to construction projects in private sector as well as amendments to the Temporary Measures for Reducing the Impact of Coronavirus Disease Act 2019 (COVID-19) 2020.

## MBAM Training(s)

# Webinar on Innovative Cost-Effective Long Span Bridge Design and Technology





The webinar was held on 18 June and it was jointly organised by MBAM and Nehemiah Towoong Bridgetech Sdn Bhd. MBAM Council Member cum Technical & IBS Chairman Datuk Kow Choong Ming thanked Nehemiah Towoong Bridgetech Sdn Bhd for agreeing to share knowledge on bridge technology and brought along two experts in the field from South Korea.

The session was moderated by MBAM Technical Director Ir. Quah Beng Teong. The first topic was presented by Senior Researcher at Korea Institute of Civil Engineering and Building Technology, South Korea, Dr. Yoon Hyejin. She shared and introduced the dynamic responses of railway bridges as well as the Korean railway design code and moving load analysis and its result in consideration of Bulb T-shape girder integrated with Half Slab (BH) girder. The following session was by Associate Director in Bridge Structures of MMSB Consult Sdn Bhd, Ir. Anbarasan G. Irusan where he presented on the various aspects of design, compliance to codes of practice and other considerations when designing long span bridge based on the Setiawangsa Pantai Expressway (SPE) project.

Then, the Executive Director of Nehemiah Towoong Bridgetech Sdn Bhd, Ir. Tan Cheng Chong explained and shared on BH girder as an innovative long span pre-stressed precast concrete bridge girder which was set to revolutionise the construction of highways, bridges and river crossings. He also provided insights on the construction, applications and advantages of the BH girder in his presentation.

A case study on Value Engineering using Long Span Segmented Pre-Stressed PreCast BH Girder was presented by Managing Director of Perunding VE Sdn Bhd, Ir. Muralitharan P Subramaniam. He mentioned that in any value engineering exercise, the alternative design must contribute to savings for the client both in cost and construction aspects where indirect cost savings can be realised. Managing Director of Towoong Engineering & Construction Co. Ltd Lee Eunho shared on recent advances in bridge technology and also introduced R-Girder, Composite Rahmen Bridge (Rigid Frame Bridge) and Partial Precast Column Method.

In closing, MBAM Council Member cum Deputy Chairman of Technical & IBS Committee, Nalla Sundran expressed his appreciation to all participants and speakers for a fruitful session within the limited two hours' duration to cover all topics in-depth.

Event(s) Attended by MBAM

# PEMUDAH Technical Working Group on Paying Taxes (TWGPT) Discussion on HRD Corp's New Guideline on Training and Extension of Scope

The meeting held on 1 June was chaired by Deputy Secretary-General, Treasury (Policy), Ministry of Finance (MOF) Zakiah Jaafar, and co-chaired by Datuk Chua Tia Guan. MBAM was represented by Immediate Past President, Foo Chek Lee, Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling and Senior Manager, Chai Min Fung.

HRD Corp presented information on its organisation and the development of *Pembangunan Sumber Manusia* Order 2021. The expansion of the *Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad* (PSMB) Act 2001 has taken effect from 1 March 2021 with inclusion of the Construction Industry in contributing to the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF). Under the Act, employers who are employing 10 or less employees, will be required to contribute 0.5% of their monthly salary as levy contribution and for employers employing more than 10 workers, the levy contribution will be 1.0%. Employers are given an exemption of HRDF levy for three (3) months under PMSB Act 2001 from 1 March to 31 May 2021. The registration of HRDF employers under the newly included industries took effect from 1 March 2021.

MBAM on behalf of BIPC members has requested the Chair and HRD Corp to re-consider the implementation of the new PSMB Order 2021 by pointing out the following reasons:

- 1) That this will mean double contribution for the construction industry as contractors are already contributing levy to CIDB Malaysia whereby part of the levy contributed will be used for the human resources development of the construction industry as per provision in CIDB Act 520; and,
- 2) CIDB Malaysia is the body to monitor and regulate the training and accreditation for the construction industry by issuing Continuous Contractor Development (CCD) points in order for contractors to renew their CIDB registration. CIDB Malaysia is the subject matter expert on the training needs and structure of the construction industry.

The meeting agreed for a follow up meeting with the Policy Division of MOF. Meanwhile, HRD Corp reminded all eligible companies to register before 30 June 2021 in order to be exempted from contributing until 31 Dec 2021.

# Engagement Session: Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Economy) with Industry Representatives and Local Chambers of Commerce

The virtual meeting was chaired by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Economy), YB Dato' Sri Mustapa Bin Mohamed on 8 June. The meeting was attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin and General Manager Lenny Lim. The purpose of the meeting was to find out the issues faced by the industry players. Tan Sri Sufri stated there are some confusion on how to proceed after getting approval from CIMS and there is a need for clarification on whether the supporting industries such as quarry and ready-mixed concrete industry are allowed to work. MBAM hopes the Government will allow quarries and ready-mixed concrete activities to operate and resolve this supply chain issue.

Currently, the construction productivity hardly reach 40% due to the MCO and there is a lot of cost to bear by industry players. MBAM appealed to the Government to make improvements to the COVID-19 Act 829 to address the matter of cost and time which must be specifically expressed in the Act. Tan Sri Sufri also asked the Government to pump prime the construction industry and to allow organisations such as MBAM to purchase the COVID-19 vaccine for members. MBAM also hopes that the Government will help to roll out work-based learning which MBAM has been championing for a long time.

# PEMUDAH TWGPT Meeting No.2 on HRD Corp's New Guideline on Training and Extension of Scope

The follow-up meeting on 9 June was chaired by Deputy Secretary-General, Treasury (Policy), Ministry of Finance (MOF) Zakiah Jaafar, and co-chaired by Datuk Chua Tia Guan. MBAM was again represented by Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Senior Manager Chai Min Fung.

MBAM together with other Associations' representatives such as Association of Consulting Engineers Malaysia (ACEM), Real Estate & Housing Developers' Association Malaysia (REHDA), Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM), Institution Of Engineers, Malaysia (IEM), Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM), Chartered Tax Institute Of Malaysia (CTIM), Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) and Malaysia Semiconductor Industry Association (MSIA) have raised our views and reasons for rejecting the expansion of the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad (PSMB) Act 2001 which has taken effect from 1 March 2021 with the inclusion of Construction Industry as contributors to the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF).

The following are MBAM's reasons for objecting the implementation of the PSMB Order 2021:

- 1) Double contribution as construction players are already contributing levy to CIDB Malaysia whereby part of the levy contributed will be used for the human resources development of the construction industry as per provision in CIDB Act 520:
- 2) CIDB Malaysia is the body to monitor and regulate the training and accreditation for the construction industry by issuing Continuous Contractor Development (CCD) points in order for contractors to renew their CIDB registration. CIDB Malaysia is the subject matter expert on the training needs and structure of the construction industry;
- CIDB approved trainings are covering all levels of employees from site personnel to management staff and workers; and,
- 4) The members of professional Associations such as engineers, architects, surveyors, planners and etc. have also contributed certain amount of fees to their professional boards as part of the requirement for accreditation and professional recognition. The Boards provide relevant training to their members and some of their members are also trainers in their professional field.





The meeting concluded that the exemption of levy for the newly included industries – Construction, Financial Services and Agriculture until 31 December 2021 would not solve the issues highlighted by the professional Associations.

Ministry of Human Resources (MOHR) noted on the concerns from private sectors and will conduct the necessary due diligence on the professionals' training needs. MOHR will seek the top management's decision on this matter.

The Chairperson has requested all parties to support MOHR in bringing up the matter to the top management by providing the necessary data to the Secretariat of TWGPT to support their earlier memorandum submitted to MOHR.

# IFAWPCA Registration Committee Meeting

MBAM Immediate Past President and IFAW-PCA Board Member Foo Chek Lee chaired the IFAWPCA Registration Committee held on 11 June to discuss and finalise the drafted amendments in the Constitution and By-laws that will be aligned to the registration of IF-AWPCA as an entity.

The Committee members comprising of representatives from Construction Association of Korea (CAK) Cho Jang-Hwan, Philippines Constructors Association (PCA) Wilfredo L. Decena and Singapore Contractors Association Ltd. (SCAL) Kenneth Loo, Executive Director Levy Espiritu, Rapporteur Desmond Hill, Legal Adviser John Tong and Contracts Officer Atty. Anne Roa approved the draft proposed amendments of the Constitution and By-Laws as well as the Revised Articles of Incorporation. The Constitution and By-Law Committee will review the said amendments and include other relevant amendments before submitting it to the Executive Board for final approval.

# Meeting with Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources (KeTSA)

MBAM represented by Vice President Kenneth Liew attended a meeting chaired by KeTSA on the issues of quarry products operations. Together with Malaysia Quarries Association, issues were raised on the shortages of quarry products to supply to essential construction projects during the MCO period because quarries are not allowed to operate to extract stones.

The meeting requested MBAM to provide an estimate of the total quarry products required for the various projects to keep work going during the MCO period. Therefore, MBAM Material Resources Committee has conducted a survey on the total quantity of quarry products and ready-mixed concrete required to keep work going till end of FMCO. MBAM has submitted the findings to Department of Mineral and Geoscience Malaysia in order for them to bring it up to the National Security Council (MKN).

# Request for Urgent Assistance to Resolve Issues Related to Approval to Work under CIMS and JTK Approval Process during FMCO



The meeting held on 21 June was attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin and I together with several Council Members and Secretariat staff. The meeting was chaired by CIDB Senior General Manager, Technological Development Sector and Contractor & Levy Sector, Sr. Mohd Zaid Zakaria.

In general, the criteria for approval is the same as the guiding principles for approval in the COVID-19 Intelligent Management System (CIMS) which the contractor must be registered with CIDB. Their projects must fall under critical or essential works and have exact location address as well as name of projects and the total number of workers must comply with 60% capacity on site.

Both President and I have asked for clarification on how the 60% is being categorised or calculated. The matter on Department of Labour (JTK) or Local Authority (PBT) approval which is needed to actually work despite getting the CIMS approval was also raised. Members are asked to submit the application to JTK and PBT via CIMS as well.

There is also the matter of the value chain which needs to be opened to support critical construction works. For example, façade sector may get work approval to operate but glass factory sector is not open. MBAM appeals that this matter to be relook again as it affects the construction works. MBAM also asked for a checklist to be given to MBAM so that MBAM members can understand and decide before they apply via the CIMS.

# ASEAN-BAC Malaysia Webinar 2021: RCEP and CPTPP as Game-Changers in ASEAN's Post COVID-19 Economic Recovery

ASEAN-BAC Malaysia led Malaysia's private sector in calling for the government to ratify the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) by end-2021. The event which was held on 22 June was attended by more than 300 attendees from the private sectors, business associations, and government officials. MBAM members who attended the webinar were Vice Presidents Chung Soo Kiong, Kenneth Liew and Eric Yong, Council Member Ir. Chee Weng Loon and Assistant General Manager Lee Siew Mei.

The event with two sessions on RCEP Panel Discussion and CPTPP Panel Discussion lasted for three hours via online discussed pertinent issues with industry leaders to examine the risks and opportunities associated with the two most comprehensive and trade deals in recent years, while encouraging the Government to expedite the early ratification for the RCEP and CPTPP for Malaysia.

Secretary General of Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs (DTCA) Datuk Seri Hasnol Zam Zam Ahmad delivered his special address by emphasising that "The Malaysian Government is committed to ensuring that the post-pandemic economic recovery process is implemented in a structured and timely manner and that free trade agreements such as the RCEP will certainly help in the recovery of domestic businesses."

In the closing remarks by Chairman of ASEAN-BAC Malaysia Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Munir Majid, he acknowledged the Memorandum of Support which was signed by 21 business associations (including MBAM) for the Government to expedite the ratification of both agreements. The said memorandum has been submitted to MITI.

Full details of the webinar can be downloaded at: http://aseanbac.com.my/asean-bac-malaysia-webinar-2/.

# Engagement Session with Leaders of SME Associations and Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM)

The virtual session on 22 June chaired by Assistant Governor, Financial Development and Innovation Sector, Bank Negara Malaysia Adnan Zaylani Mohamad Zahid was attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin and General Manager Lenny Lim. There was a short discussion on solutions for complaints or issues with SME Associations and Bankers or Bank Associations. It was revealed that the repayment assistance has never stopped where out of 50,000 applications, 49,000 are approved. Majority were approved within 14 days and many within two days. There is also a SME helpdesk under *Agensi Kaunseling dan Pengurusan Kredit* (AKPK) to help SMEs in need.

Tan Sri Sufri mentioned that during the pandemic, construction cost goes up and productivity goes down. Moreover, contractors have not been receiving regular payment from clients and is in need of the moratorium assistance. It is hope that the Government could look at helping those in dire financial straits.

# Construction Sector Technology, Digitalisation and Innovation Committee (JTPIP) – Technical Working Group (TWG1 – Emerging Technology)

The virtual meeting on 30 June had the objective to brief and introduce the committee members on JTPIP by Policy and International Division of Ministry of Works (KKR). There are six technical working groups and two of it (namely Emerging Technology and Digital Talent) are led by CIDB Malaysia.

CIDB Deputy Chief Executive I, Datuk Ir. Elias Ismail chaired the meeting and explained more on the terms of references for TWG1. One of the main objective is to identify issues and current challenges faced by construction sector on technology, digitalisation and innovation. President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin and Deputy President Oliver Wee are the MBAM representatives for TWG1.

Tan Sri Sufri mentioned in the meeting that although we can identify new technologies to be used by the Malaysian construction industry but the existing construction law and act will not permit the new equipment to be used in the construction site. Due to that, the secretariat of TWG1 led by CIDB General Manager of Technological Development Sector, Construction Technology and Innovation Division Dr. Gerald A/I Sundaraj requested for a list of the issues to be sent to CIDB on or before 9 July 2021. MBAM Secretariat has sent the feedback to CIDB on 6 July 2021.

Oliver also sent an email to the Datuk Ir. Elias suggesting to also look into automation and robotics which can help the industry to reduce labour usage, and not only focusing on digitalisation.

Tan Sri Sufri also mentioned to CIDB Chief Executive Datuk Ir. Ahmad 'Asri Abdul Hamid that they should look at workers' quarters as well. In 1980s, the contractors just follow PWD's guidelines to decide where they place the workers' quarters and workers' office. So, CIDB should also decide on the guidelines for the workers' quarters under TWG1. Tan Sri Sufri also questioned on why we must now go to Department of Labour (JTK) and Local Authority (PBT) for approval. Datuk 'Asri said that he will speak to the Senior Minister of Works about it.

# Other key events attended by MBAM

#### 1 June

PEMUDAH Technical Working Group Dealing with Construction Permit Online Meeting No.2/2021 was attended by President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin, General Manager Lenny Lim, Senior Public Relations Executive Chew Chee Yan, and I.

#### 3 June

PEMUDAH Private Sector Virtual Meeting No. 6/2021 was attended by Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee.

REHDA Institute "Real Estate Data Analytics Conference: Why the Real Estate Industry Needs to Wake up To Big Data?" was attended by Deputy President Oliver Wee, Trans Resources Corporation Sdn Bhd General Manager, Nasaruddin Mahmud and Senior Assistant Manager Muhammad Fadzley.

#### 8 June

CIDB CIS 10:2021 Productivity Measurement of Building Construction Project as Subject Matter Expert was attended by Council Member and Deputy Chairman of Technical & IBS Committee Nalla Sundran, and Committee Member Foong Fatt Kee.

Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC) Discussion on Governance in Measuring Construction Compliance Costs was attended by President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, General Manager Lenny Lim and I.

#### 11 June

Briefing on REHDA's Institute's Research Paper: Housing Forward-Understanding Costs and Sustainable Prices was attended by Vice President Kenneth Liew, Council Members Datuk Kow Choong Ming and Nalla Sundran, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, General Manager Lenny Lim and Senior Assistant Manager Muhammad Fadzley.

#### 16 June

I attended the Malaysia-Japan Economic Association (MAJECA) 44th Annual General Meeting.

### 21 June

Briefing on Vaccination of the Economic Frontline of the Construction Sector was attended by Deputy Secretary-General 1 Ir. Anthony Teoh, Council Member Michael Yap, Manager Mohd Farhan and I.

# 22 June

Construction Industry Standard (CIS) Development Workshop for Productivity Measurement of Building Construction Projects was attended by Council Member and Deputy Chairman of Technical & IBS Committee Nalla Sundran.

The Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (IDEAS) collaboration with the Coalition for Business Integrity: Launch of Presentation Report "Corruption in the Supply Chain - Forms of Impact on Consumers" was attended by General Manager Lenny Lim.

#### 23 June

MPC Discussion on Making Real Properties Affordable in Malaysia Study Link was attended by General Manager Lenny Lim.

#### 24 June

TC/D/25: Technical Committee Virtual Meeting on Cement No.3/2021 was attended by General Manager Michael Thong.

### 25 June

Working Group Meeting on Fire Rated Lift Landing Door (NSC M TC 6 WG 6-1) No.1/2021 was attended by General Manager Michael Thong.

MPC Briefing on Khazanah Research Institute's Report on Making Housing Affordable was attended by Vice President Kenneth Liew and General Manager Lenny Lim.

#### 28 June

Special Principal Officers Meeting to Discuss Extension of the Full Control Movement Order (FMCO) was attended by President Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin, Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee, Vice Presidents Eric Yong and Kenneth Liew, Deputy Sec-Gen 1 Ir. Anthony Teoh, Deputy Sec-Gen 2 Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, Secretariat Lenny Lim, Muhammad Fadzley and Chew Chee Yan.

## 29 June

Technical Working Group on Registration of Property (TWGRP) Meeting No.4/2021 was attended by Council Member Lau Yew Mun and General Manager Lenny Lim.

## 30 June

UTHM Webinar on Project Management: Towards Green Building/Smart Building was attended by Vice President Kenneth Liew, Assistant General Manager Lee Siew Mei and Senior Manager Chai Min Fung.