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Construction Industry “Anti-epidemic Fund”
Registration Platforms Launched

Hong Kong • 24 February 2020 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today launched the Construction Industry “Anti-epidemic Fund” (the Fund) provided by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, which accepts applications from eligible registered construction workers via “Safety App” mobile application (App), and online applications from eligible construction related companies.

Mr Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC said, “From today onwards, each eligible registered worker can apply for a one-off subsidy of HK\$1,500 through this mobile application in a simple and efficient way, which assists them in purchasing personal protective equipment to maintain good personal hygiene. Meanwhile, eligible consultants, contractors, registered specialist trade contractors and registered subcontractors can apply for a one-off subsidy of HK\$50,000 to enhance workplace cleanliness and sanitation for epidemic prevention. The CIC urges the industry to strengthen awareness of epidemic prevention. Workers and construction related companies join hands to put effort in maintaining hygiene.”

The eligibility of this Fund application is the applicants must be registered construction workers, and during the period from 1 January 2019 to 19 February 2020 had daily attendance records in the submission by principal contractors under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Cap. 583). Eligible workers can download the App, fill in the information and easily upload all required documents to apply, including a Construction Registration Card Number, personal bank account information with proof which is under the same name of the applicant, and a contact number. After receiving and verifying all the information, the CIC will directly deposit the subsidy into the applicant's bank account through auto-payment within two to three weeks.

In addition, consultants¹, contractors who have paid construction industry levy², CIC's registered specialist trade contractors and registered subcontractors² can make online applications for a one-off subsidy of HK\$50,000* to strengthen infection control measures



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at workplaces. Eligible companies can submit the information online and upload all required documents to apply, the CIC will directly deposit the subsidy into the company's bank account through auto-payment within two to three weeks.

The application period starts from 24 February 2020 to 31 August 2020. The "Safety App" can be downloaded today and accept applications; simultaneously, online application for construction related companies also activates.



"Safety App"
(Android & iOS)

For more details, please visit website: www.cic.hk/eng/main/anti_epidemic_fund/

Enquiry hotline: 3199 7377

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- ¹ Consultant companies in the List of Consultants of the Engineering & Associated Consultants Selection Board (EACSB) and List of Consultants of the Architectural and Associated Consultants Selection Board (AACSB) under the Government.
 - ² Contractors who have paid construction industry levy to the CIC during the period from 1 January 2019 to 19 February 2020 pursuant to the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap.587).
 - ³ CIC Registered Specialist Trade Contractors and Registered Subcontractors -
 - (i) Having made MPF contributions for their employed registered construction worker(s) during the period from 1 January 2019 to 19 February 2020 under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance (Cap. 485); and held valid registration within the period; and
 - (ii) Submit any one set of MPF contribution document and specify registration number(s) and name(s) of relevant registered construction worker(s).
- * Each company will receive subsidy once only.

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31 August 2020



Target Beneficiaries	Eligible Consultants, Contractors, Registered Specialist Trade Contractors and Registered Subcontractors	Eligible Registered Construction Workers*
Subsidy	HK\$50,000 per company	HK\$1,500 per worker
How to Apply	Online applications through www.cic.hk	Online applications through www.cic.hk



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Construction Industry Council reserves the right to modify or amend the Terms and Conditions from time to time.



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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

Please visit www.cic.hk for further details.