Construction Industry Council

Construction Workers Registration Board

Meeting No. 004/24 of the Construction Workers Registration Board (CWRB) was held on 16 December 2024 (Monday) at 2:30pm at Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five, 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay and via Video Conference.

Summary Notes of the CWRB Meeting No. 004/24:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/Progress Highlights
4.1	CIC/CRB/M/003/24	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
		Members confirmed the minutes of Meeting No. 003/24.
4.2		Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting
		Members took note of the progress on the matters arising from the previous meeting.
4.3	CIC/CRB/P/020/24 (for information)	Report of the Construction Workers Festival Carnival
		(a) The Construction Industry Council (CIC) successfully held the first Construction Workers Festival Carnival (the Carnival) on 1 December 2024 in order to honour the outstanding contributions of workers, enhance their professional image and status, promote cross- industry communication within the construction industry as well as improve workers' safety and professional development awareness.
		(b) More than 6,000 workers and their family members joined the Carnival. The success of the

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		 Carnival was supported by 15 supporting organizations and 125 participating organizations. (c) The CIC awarded the "Outstanding Pioneer Appreciation" to 374 workers and the "Caring Company Appreciation" to 34 companies. Moreover, 502 awards were given under the Construction Industry Workers Professional Development Scheme, and 39 scholarships were awarded to the families of registered construction workers.
4.4	CIC/CRB/P/021/24 (for information)	 Proposal for the 2025 Construction Workers Festival – Outstanding Craft Master Award (a) In line with the CIC to designate 2025 as the Year of Professionalism, the CIC will organise the Outstanding Craft Master Award Ceremony on 2 November 2025 to signify the professional skills and contributions of frontline workers. (b) Members supported the Outstanding Craft Master Award to honour professional craftsmen with outstanding performance. They suggested incorporating Chinese tradition and culture and the professional image of Master Lu Ban into the event to promote the spirit of craftsmanship and to further promote the construction industry to society. The CWRB will establish an Organizing Committee to plan the Outstanding Craft Master Award and other activities for the Construction Workers Festival.
4.5	CIC/CRB/P/022/24 (for endorsement)	Proposal for the Renewal of the Lease of the CIC Service Centre (Nam Cheong)Members endorsed the proposal for the renewal of the lease for Units 6 and 7 of the CIC Service Centre (Nam Cheong) and submitted for Council's approval.

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4.6	CIC/CRB/P/023/24 (for information)	Report of Sub-committee on Data Analysis Meeting No. 003/24
		(a) As of September 2024, according to data expansion analysis, there were a total of 410,624 registered workers engaged in the construction industry.
		(b) The statistics from the Census and Statistics Department indicate that the unemployment rate in the construction industry slightly increased to 4.4% in the period from July to September 2024. Within this period, the unemployment rate for foundation and building works stood at 4%, while for decoration, repair, and maintenance for buildings sector, it was 5.8%.
		(c) The Sub-committee on Data Analysis analysed the attendance hours of workers of core trades. The attendance data showed that the average daily attendance hours of workers of core trades ranged from 7.2 to 8.9 hours, which was consistent with the working hour requirements of the relevant trades.
4.7	CIC/CRB/P/024/24 (for information)	Report on Inspection and Enforcement
		 (a) From January to November 2024, a total of 1,572 construction site inspections and a total of 1,911 workers' daily attendance records (DAR) were checked.
		(b) From January to November 2024, a total of 132 summonses were issued. 137 summonses resulted in convictions in court (including those summonses issued in 2023).
		(c) From January to November 2024, 19 seminars on "Designated Workers for Designated Skills" and "Construction Workers Registration System (CWRS)" were held to explain the

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		requirements of the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance, introduce the CWRS and provide operational demonstrations.

Remarks: The mentioned papers and/or progress reports discussed at the Construction Workers Registration Board can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.