

Construction Industry Council
Construction Workers Registration Board

Meeting No. 001/15 of the Construction Workers Registration Board was held on Wednesday, 21 January 2015 at 3:30pm at Conference Room, CIC Headquarters, 15/F, Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Summary notes of the Construction Workers Registration Board Meeting No. 001/15:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/Progress Highlights
1.1	CIC/CRB/M/006/14	<u>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Last Meeting</u> The revised minutes of the 6 th meeting of CWRB for 2014 were confirmed.
1.3	CIC/CRB/P/001/15 (for Resolution)	<u>Appointment of Qualifications Board and Review Board (RB) Members</u> Members approved to appoint Ir Helen KWAN to be the Chairperson and 10 industry representatives to be the members of Qualifications Board and 9 industry representatives to be the members of Review Board.
1.4.1	CIC/CRB/P/002/15 (Progress Report)	<u>Workers Registration Offices</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• As of 31 Dec 2014, total number of workers with valid registration was 341,634.• In view of positive response from the industry, Workers Registration Office in Kowloon Bay would continue to provide same day service for registration renewal to workers who completed and passed CIC safety training course (Green Card).
1.4.3	CIC/CRB/P/004/15 (for Resolution)	<u>Sub-committee on Senior Workers Assessment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• After the amendment bill passed its third reading in LegCo, 3 trade unions authorised to provide pre-assessment to senior workers received numerous enquiries and applications.• Senior workers who are able to provide proof of at least a total of 10 years' work experience in specified trade divisions (Master) are qualified to apply for registration as skilled workers of specified trade divisions (Master).• Applicants of senior workers registration will not be allowed to apply for registration as skilled workers of more than one trade division with work experience gained in the same period.

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1.4.4	CIC/CRB/P/005/15 (for Resolution)	<p><u>Sub-committee on Registration Matters</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sub-committee would study the course contents of “Construction Plant Mechanic” and Mechanical Fitter” provided by Trade Testing Centre before discussing the descriptions of work. • It is agreed that on-site trials to be conducted in accordance with the draft Guidelines of the “Instruction and Supervision”. Further review and revision would be carried out based on the results of the trial.
1.4.5	CIC/CRB/P/006/15 (Progress Report)	<p><u>Task Force on the Promotion of Remaining Phase of Prohibition of CWRO</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A press briefing to promote the provision of “designated workers for designated skills” would be organised on 10 Feb 2015. The online signature campaign would be launched on the same day. • Tender exercise of TV and radio APIs was in progress. • A series of briefing sessions to promote the provision of “designated workers for designated skills” would be organised on a regular basis starting from April this year.
1.4.6	CIC/CRB/P/007/15 (Progress Report)	<p><u>Task Force on Construction Workers Registration System</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starting from early 2015, WROs enable workers to collect new registration cards on the same day after the application is approved. • “Working Group of User Acceptance Testing of CWRS” was formed to oversee the testing process of CWRS. • To reduce the impact on the majority of contractors and workers during the transition period, WRO will strive to shorten the time to one year to replace new registration cards for all registered workers. • To provide contractors with sufficient time to enhance the system and to conduct on-site testing, the launch of CWRS and new workers registration card will be postponed to end of 2015.

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed by the Construction Workers Registration Board can be made available to Council Members from the Workers Registration Secretariat upon request.