

Construction Industry Council

Construction Industry Training Board

Meeting No. 004/11 of the Construction Industry Training Board was held on 19 September 2011 (Monday) at 10:00 am at Conference Room, CIC HQ, 15/F Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.

Summary notes of the Construction Industry Training Board Meeting No. 004/11:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/ Progress Highlights
4.1	CIC/CTB/R/003/11	Confirmation of Progress Report of the Last Meeting – Members approved the Progress Report of the 3 rd meeting held on 3 August 2011.
4.2	CIC/CTB/R/003/11	Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting – (i) Modularization of Technically Competent Person T1 Training Course and Technically Competent Person T1 (Minor Works) Training Course — The Buildings Department replied that there was a need to keep the above two courses separate as the contents and levels of the two courses were different. (ii) Relocation of three training grounds and establishment of training ground in Tai Po — The three phases of the Quantitative Risk Assessment of the two buildings with potential hazardous installations near the proposed lot in Tai Po were completed and submitted to the Electrical & Mechanical Services Department. The Department was awaiting a proposal on measures for crowd control from the Leisure & Cultural Services Department to manage the flow of people regarding the proposed ball courts in the area. The proposal on establishment of an outdoor training ground in Tai Po would be submitted for discussion in

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		<p>the Tai Po District Council in January 2012 according to the latest development.</p> <p>Maintenance and repair of historical buildings — Regarding the trip of the Working Group on Heritage Maintenance under CITB to study historical buildings in Beijing, the mainland unit had suggested a time slot for consideration. The Working Group already set up would soon convene a meeting in late September to follow up the logistics of the Beijing’s trip.</p>
4.3	CIC/CTB/P/053/11	<p>Proposed Work Plan and Budget Estimates in 2012 of the Construction Industry Training Board –</p> <p>Members noted the work plan of the CITB in 2012 and the budget estimates which had to be revised would be circulated later for members’ approval.</p> <p>(Committee accepted by circulation the revised budget estimates, which included the CITB’s income and operating expenditure of \$7.071M and \$292.07M respectively in 2012 with a net expenditure of \$221.36M. In addition, the capital expenditure would be \$28.61M.)</p>
4.4	CIC/CTB/P/048/11	<p>Proposal on speeding up course commencement under Enhanced Construction Manpower Training Scheme –</p> <p>Members noted there were 451 applicants waiting to take courses under the Enhanced Construction Manpower Training Scheme as of mid-August 2011. Apart from using the existing training resources and the Work Trades Contractor Cooperative Training Scheme to ease the application backlog, the CICTA proposed a few short-term measures which were accepted by the Committee. These measures included setting up workshop facilities in the lot vacant by transferring some training courses from Shatin Training Ground to Sheung Shui</p>

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		Training Centre to conduct the Bar-bending and Fixing Course; and erecting a temporary workshop on the roof of the Kwai Chung Training Centre to host extra classes of site surveying for training about 80 course applicants. It was estimated that the number of applicants on the waiting list would be cut short to around a hundred by end September after introducing the aforesaid measures. In addition, the medium and long term measures to ease the backlog would also be studied.
4.5	CIC/CTB/P/050/11	Work Trades Contractor Cooperative Training Scheme – two cooperative training schemes for site surveyor and leveller – Members noted the proposed cooperative training schemes for site surveyor and leveler, which allowed the main contractor on its own or in collaboration with the first-tier sub-contractor to work with CICTA in a bilateral or tripartite cooperative arrangement to train the required workers for the industry. However, as the training content and period of the two training courses were different, it was proposed that a separate guideline on vetting subsidy for leveller scheme and the unit cost per trainee after deducting the trainee’s subsidy from the total cost had to be provided by means of circulation. (Members accepted by circulation the respective vetting guidelines on subsidy for site surveyor and leveller trades.)
4.6	CIC/CTB/P/051/11	Work Trades Contractor Cooperative Training Scheme – A proposal on cooperative training scheme on bar bending and fixing submitted by a contractor – Members accepted the cooperative training scheme on bar bending and fixing submitted by a contractor for a total of 4 trainees. The training period would be from August 2011 to

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		February 2012 with 97 training days in total and the subsidy would amount to \$136,802.
4.7	CIC/CTB/P/052/11	<p>Review report on the Course Advisory Panel and Recommendations –</p> <p>Members noted the recommendations made after the review of the Course Advisory Panel to better discharge its functions. The main points included the restriction of 6 years’ term of office should be in personal capacity rather than on company/organization basis; the upper limit of membership of each panel should be 14 persons; and nominations for panel chairmen should be made by CICTA for consideration of the Committee.</p>
4.8	A.O.B.	<p>Proposed active tasks of CITB for the years up to 2016 –</p> <p>Members discussed the active tasks and corresponding performance indicators one by one. Some revisions were made and the completion dates of individual tasks were advanced. In addition, two additional tasks, which included the introduction of multi-skills training proposals and the facilitation of construction workers to work overseas, were added.</p> <p>Discussion on safety training courses –</p> <p>A member suggested studying the feasibility of condensing the content of Silver Card Course into a half-day course to allow workers attending the half-day Green Card Revalidation Course to take the proposed intensive course on the remaining half day.</p>