Dear readers,

The journey towards higher construction productivity requires a concerted effort from everyone in the construction value chain. Developers, who are at the start of the chain, are in the best position to specify more productive construction methods in their requirements. At this year’s BCA Awards in May, a new award category under the Construction Productivity Award was introduced to recognise advocates that push for more productive construction methods. Among the winners were developers City Developments Limited (CDL) and Housing and Development Board (HDB), which received the top-tier Platinum awards.

A winning factor for CDL was its strong push for easier-to-install building components such as drywalls and prefabricated bathroom units, and for maintaining quality standards. As for HDB, besides its extensive use of precast technology, it stood out for the joint effort of its project parties to communicate design changes using tools such as BIM, which helped in reducing conflicts.

Indeed, communication is key to improving productivity on site. Apart from being able to help reduce abortive work, communication also enables project parties to tap one another’s experience to discover more productive building methods or processes. Woh Hup’s live communication mobile app is an innovation that emerged from the inaugural BIM Mobile Apps Challenge held during the recent Singapore Construction Productivity Week. It is able to link up project parties and allow them to retrieve or update information on precast components any time.

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WINNERS OF THE CPA-ADVOCATES AWARD 2013

Check out the cutting-edge technologies and solutions that have put some of the winning companies at the forefront of the productivity movement

At this year’s Construction Productivity Awards (CPA), the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) introduced the CPA-Advocate category to recognise outstanding firms – developers, consultants, builders and subcontractors – that excel in their productivity journeys. Six companies emerged as the winners of this new category.

City Developments Limited (CDL) won the Platinum Award for their strong initiatives in influencing their consultants and builders to adopt safe and easy-to-build best practices that raise construction productivity. Their key initiatives include the use of prefabricated bathroom units (PBU), drywalls and Building Information Modelling (BIM).

CDL has installed close to 8,000 PBUs in its residential projects to date. Its wide adoption of PBUs has helped reduce material wastage and improve water tightness. As PBUs are easy to install, productivity has improved by about 77%. CDL has also adopted drywalls as they provide better-quality finishes and are easier to install, compared to traditional brick walls. The use of drywalls has improved productivity by about 180%.

Platinum winner Housing and Development Board (HDB), the largest housing developer in Singapore, drives productivity with a three-pronged approach. During pre-construction, the use of BIM allows various parties to communicate on a common platform, thus reducing construction conflicts. During construction, its builders are required to use equipment that helps improve productivity on site. Finally, at the post-construction stage, HDB reviews their designs, materials and methods based on feedback from residents and incorporates improvements in future projects.

HDB also stands out for its extensive use of precast technology since the 1980s. To speed up construction, it uses precast façades with cast-in windows, columns, floor slabs, staircases and refuse chutes. In particular, the use of precast façades with cast-in windows has helped improve productivity by about 300%.

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**Q** What were the challenges faced and how has DLE overcome them?

**A** There is always inertia to change. However, with careful change management and clear communication, we have been able to guide our people to step into areas not attempted before. We also have a strong team of committed people who are willing to explore and implement new productivity initiatives.

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Lastly, the adoption of an advanced system formwork and scaffold system simplified and sped up the construction of slabs and columns. The integrated features of the scaffold system enabled columns to be casted daily with minimal material requirement and maximum productivity gain. In addition, the smart design of the advanced system formwork allowed props to be stationary when the slab formworks were removed. This saved time for re-propping and increased productivity on site.

Building Information Modelling
Through the contractor’s initiative, Building Information Modelling (BIM) was also adopted to improve 3D visualisation and clash detection for the project. BIM also helped eliminate errors during construction as well as helped estimate the required quantity of materials.

LEARNING POINTS FROM WATER TERRACES I AT PUNGGOL

The Construction Productivity Steering Committee learns more about the technologies used in the construction of this award-winning project.

On 7 October 2013, the Construction Productivity Steering Committee (CPSC) visited Waterway Terraces I at Punggol to learn more about the productivity initiatives adopted in the project.

Pre Cast Technology
The project adopted extensive precast technology, which helped in achieving significant productivity gains and high quality. The use of precast increased due to two key factors:

- **Contractor’s input at the construction stage.** The original design proposed by the consultant required the use of 2D panels which would be hoisted and fused together in situ on site. With the contractor’s inputs, the fusing of the panels was done at the precast yard instead to create a volumetric 3D component before the component was delivered on site. This reduced the number of precast components that were needed to be hoisted by 20%, and improved workplace safety.

- **Availability of a nearby site for precast production and storage.** HDB facilitated and supported the contractor to secure a Temporary Occupation Licence (TOL). This enabled the contractor to set up an on-site precast and storage yard of 10,000m² just beside the project site. The proximity to the project site allowed for shorter transport time and an easier shifting of heavy materials.

The use of scissor lifts and boom lifts also reduced the need to install scaffolding, which was a time-consuming process.

Productive Construction Equipment

Through the use of tower cranes and gantry cranes, precast components were effectively handled on site. Tower cranes were used to hoist components from the ground while gantry cranes were used to unload precast components.

About the Construction Productivity Steering Committee (CPSC)

The Construction Productivity Steering Committee (CPSC) was formed this year to co-ordinate inter-ministry support for the built environment sector’s transformation efforts. It will help to accelerate productivity improvement by simplifying rules and regulations using public sector projects as a basis, to stimulate demands for more innovative and productive methods of construction.
The machine was developed based on principles from the rapid load testing process, and can lift weights that are up to four metres high.

Gone are the days where many heavy concrete blocks were stacked to test for pile capability. The StatRapid, a new rapid load testing equipment, is an alternative to the traditional static load testing method. With the StatRapid, the construction process is faster and lighter, and uses less labour.

Each StatRapid comprises a modular drop mass, a catch mechanism and a modular soft spring system. The mechanism of assembling and dismantling concrete blocks is not as complex as the conventional method, and is hydraulically operated, requiring few men to carry out the operation.

The development of the StatRapid is based on principles from the rapid load testing process. Advances in technology aided the development of this self-contained machine, which is capable of loading weights of up to four metres high. Adhering to the rapid load testing principles, the loading pulse generated on the pile by the StatRapid is equivalent to that of the static load testing method.

**StatRapid**

- **What it is:**
  A rapid load testing equipment that assembles and dismantles concrete blocks quickly.

- **Benefits:**
  With the StatRapid, only 6 workers are needed for every pile load test, which can be completed in 2 days. Using concrete blocks, 18 workers are needed, and 16 days are required for completion.

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The Building and Construction Authority’s (BCA) Productivity Improvement Project (PIP) Scheme encourages contractors and prefabricators to embark on development projects that build up their capability and improve their site processes for higher site productivity. Find out how PIP can support your investment in technologies like the StatRapid by visiting this link: http://www.bca.gov.sg/PIP/pip.html.

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Companies can benefit when they help other builders and subcontractors improve their productivity through the MechC Referral Programme

In April 2013, the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) introduced a Mechanisation Credit (MechC) Referral Programme to encourage more builders to mechanise their work processes and improve construction productivity. The programme incentivises builders that have successfully tapped into the MechC incentive scheme to share its benefits with other builders and subcontractors.

A few builders have benefitted since the launch of the MechC Referral Programme. An example is Poh Lai General Contractor Pte Ltd, which learnt about the MechC Scheme from CCM Industrial Pte Ltd. CCM had previously received funding under the MechC Scheme to purchase equipment such as a telescopic handler, two tower cranes and three reflectorless total stations, to improve productivity on site.

Under the MechC Referral Programme, CCM enjoyed an additional $20,000 credit to its MechC funding cap, as an incentive for the successful referral. On the other hand, Poh Lai General Contractor tapped into the MechC Scheme to purchase an electric airless paint spray. By tapping into the MechC Scheme, the company was able to save 70% of the investment cost of the equipment and improve their productivity in painting work by almost 70%.

About the MechC Scheme

The Mechanisation Credit (MechC) Scheme provides support to SMEs to adopt technologies by defraying the cost of purchasing or leasing equipment that reduce manpower at construction sites.

Currently, MechC has a limit on the funding amount per firm. Each firm can tap into a maximum funding of $200,000 for the purchase of equipment and $50,000 for the leasing of equipment. Since the scheme took off in June 2010, BCA has received approximately 2,200 MechC applications to date.

For more information about the MechC Scheme and MechC Referral Programme, please visit http://www.bca.gov.sg/MechC/mechc.html for more information.
BIM CHAMPIONS

Three winning teams from BIM competitions organised by BCA share with us the process, challenges and learning points

A total of 45 teams successfully competed in two competitions relating to Building Information Modelling (BIM) organised by the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) in conjunction with the Singapore Construction Productivity Week. We speak to the winners of the 48-Hour Virtual BIM Competition 2013 and the inaugural BIM Mobile Apps Challenge 2013.

48-HOUR VIRTUAL BIM COMPETITION 2013

The 48-hour virtual BIM Competition 2013 aimed to get teams from across the world to demonstrate the capabilities of BIM and its benefits within a short timeframe.

Winner of 48-Hour BIM Competition 2013 (Industry – Multidisciplinary Collaboration Category): Heerim Architects & Planners (Korea)

Do Hyoung Kim
General Manager, Architecture Research Institute (BIM)
Heerim Architects & Planners Co., Ltd.

Q: What motivated the team to participate in BCA’s BIM Competition 2013? How did the team feel after winning the competition?
A: As a company, we wanted to see where we were standing in terms of using BIM, and we wanted to know how to progress from where we were. Unfortunately, I was the only one who was in Singapore for the presentation and who had the winning news for the first time. However, everybody involved in the competition was certainly highly pleased. Even though we’re now back in our office in Korea, we’re still learning from the achievement.

Q: What were some of the challenges faced by your team in preparing for and during the competition? How did the team overcome these?
A: In reality, our team was new. We never worked together before. We tried to build team spirit quickly and we enhanced our teamwork at a couple of meetings before the competition began.

The second challenge was the physical mock-up test. We had experience in digital BIM products but not the physical ones. We thought that it was quite risky and challenging to make the physical mock-up within 48 hours, but had in mind to make a model. We set a deadline to send out the data for making a mock-up on the second day of the competition. As we had shown, the mock-up test was successfully done at last even though there were minor complications.

Q: What did the team learn from the competition?
A: For the first time, we had the opportunity to test and simulate a BIM-based integrated project, which rarely happens in the Korean architecture, engineering and construction industry. We could also establish each discipline’s coordinating capability by cross-checking all the issues such as clashes from the early design phase.

We also learnt to set modelling guidelines, which taught us how to share data more efficiently amongst the various disciplines. We are now more confident of being good BIM coordinators. The competition encouraged a BIM mindset in everyone. We began to think about efficiency not only within individual works but across the products of various disciplines.

Q: Could you share with us some of the innovations that were implemented during the competition? What do you think helped the team to win in the competition?
A: We showed how to better collaborate and submitted our deliverables making use of the innovative ways of implementing the multi-disciplines under the open BIM environment.

These were exemplified by the diverse programmes we used: Rhino and Grasshopper interlocked with Ecocet and Galapagos were simulated in order to optimise sun-shade solution. Perforation ratio, slope, and depth of the façade were carefully selected based on the results of the simulation. We also tried to test BIM sight, Pyxim and Pathfinder, which are not commonly used in Korea.

Q: What motivated the team to participate in BCA’s BIM Competition 2013? How did the team feel after winning the competition?
A: We had an interest in BIM, and the technology is playing an important role in the construction industry. We recognised the learning opportunity that the BIM competition would offer, which was apart from our school curriculum – it exposed us to real-world situations and issues.

The team was selected to have won as it was the first time that most of us participated in such a major competition.

Q: What did the team learn from the competition?
A: First, we had the opportunity to test and simulate a BIM-based integrated project, which rarely happens in the Korean architecture, engineering and construction industry. We could also establish each discipline’s coordinating capability by cross-checking all the issues such as clashes from the early design phase.

We also learnt to set modelling guidelines, which taught us how to share data more efficiently amongst the various disciplines. We are now more confident of being good BIM coordinators. The competition encouraged a BIM mindset in everyone. We began to think about efficiency not only within individual works but across the products of various disciplines.

Q: Could you share with us some of the innovations that were implemented during the competition? What do you think helped the team to win the competition?
A: We had an interest in BIM, and the technology is playing an important role in the construction industry. We recognised the learning opportunity that the BIM competition would offer, which was apart from our school curriculum – it exposed us to real-world situations and issues.

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Q: What were some of the challenges faced by your team? How did the team overcome these?
A: As most of us were relatively new to the concept of BIM and the various software, the biggest challenge was to understand how we could work together.

The team was also given a short timeframe of a three-day intensive training provided by Vnix to familiarise ourselves with ArchiCAD and Solibri Model Checker. We also had a month of self-learning. We watched tutorials on YouTube and the scouted the Internet for additional information on the competition software.

We were also very fortunate to receive guidance from our seniors who had previously participated in the competition.

Q: What did the team learn from the competition?
A: BIM is not simply here to replace traditional methods of planning, but to further enhance and speed up the construction process and collaboration. The biggest benefit of BIM is its ability to improve planning and construction productivity by minimising rears and errors and achieving a reduction in variation orders.

Collaboration between different parties at different stages of the project and interoperability between different software are very important too and this has to be planned out at the beginning of the project in order to ensure the successful implementation of BIM.

Communication plays an important role in the usage of BIM, as each party must be aware of their roles and responsibilities as well as the ability to pass on the correct message to the right person at the right time in order to speed up the planning process.

Winner of 48-Hour BIM Competition 2013
(Engineering – Architecture Category):
National University of Singapore

Mr Koe Choon Wei
National University of Singapore (NUS)
Winner of BIM Mobile Apps Challenge 2013:
Woh Hup (Pte) Ltd
Mr Phan Manh Quyet
Deputy BIM Manager
Woh Hup (Pte) Ltd

Q: How did the team feel after winning BCA’s inaugural BIM Mobile Apps Challenge 2013?
A: We were very excited and happy! It’s an honour for us to win this inaugural competition as there are no past winning entries to study on, and we were not fully aware of the expectations and criteria of the judges.

Q: What were some of the innovations that the team came up with?
A: We created a live communication programme called WHapp. This programme allows users to send information accurately and instantly into a cloud database. Parties who have access to WHapp, such as site engineers, quantity surveyors, managers and BIM modellers, can retrieve or update information on precast components anytime and anywhere.

Q: What did the team learn from the competition?
A: BIM mobile apps is a new trend, so we learnt a lot from our research and also how to troubleshoot bugs and problems. All these cannot be done without proper planning, teamwork and passion.

Q: What were some of the challenges faced by your team in preparing for and during the competition? How did the team overcome?
A: The team lacked programming background, and there are limitations to existing BIM software and the cloud platform to exchange data.

To overcome these problems, we did extensive research and planned in detail the schedule and scope of work. Two months before the competition, the team learnt and familiarised ourselves with the programming tools.

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Q: How can I upgrade my workers?
A: Employers can send their eligible workers for registration under the CoreTrade or Multi-skilling Schemes. Eligible applicants can apply for the associated training and tests at the BCA Academy and/or the 28 Approved Training and Testing Centres (ATTCs).

Q: My workers cannot read and write in English. I’m afraid they can’t pass the test.
A: To register as a CoreTrade Tradesman (except for Construction Plant Operation), the worker needs to take and pass a practical test component only.

To register as a CoreTrade Tradesman in Construction Plant Operation, CoreTrade Trade Foreman or Multi-skilled Worker, the worker needs to take and pass both practical and theory test components. The theory test paper has translations in Chinese, Tamil and Thai.

Q: Is there funding support available for upgrading my workers?
A: Yes. BCA’s Workforce Training and Upgrading (WTU) scheme co-funds up to 80% of the costs of selected skills assessment and training courses approved by BCA. WTU funding supports the upgrading of both local and foreigners who meet the qualifying criteria.

Q: What are the benefits of upgrading my workers?
A: Under the Ministry of Manpower (MOM) skills and levy framework, “Higher Skilled” workers can stay in Singapore for up to 18 years and their employers pay lower levy. In addition, these workers are more productive and would contribute more to their employers.

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Q: What is the CoreTrade/Multi-skilling registration valid for?
A: 2 years. How can I renew my workers’ registration?

Q: You may apply for renewal online within 6 months before the worker’s registration expires. The worker needs to go through a half-day Continual Educational Training (CET) course before he can renew his registration.

Q: My worker is already registered as a CoreTrade Tradesman. How can he upgrade to Foreman?
A: A CoreTrade Tradesman with 6 years of construction experience in Singapore may take a theory test to upgrade to Foreman.

To find out more about skills upgrading, please visit our website:
http://www.bca.gov.sg/Professionals/manpower/manpower.html
提升员工技能，节约成本
请参考下列常见问题解答，了解如何获得资助，以提升员工技能

建筑业技工注册计划和多技能计划是其中两项能帮助您提升员工技能的计划。如您希望通过这些计划提升劳动力技能，了解建设局的网站以及提供计划所提供的帮助。

问题：提升工人技能对公司有什么好处？
回答：在人力资源成本方面，高级技工不但可增加建筑工作长时性，也使业主支付较少的劳动力成本。此外，经过培训提升，工人提高了生产力使企业做出更多贡献。

问题：工人不识文不识字怎么办？
回答：申请建筑业技工注册计划（CoreTrade Scheme）的技工（建筑机械操作员除外）必须通过实际操作考试，不需要参加理论考试。

如果想申请为建筑业技工注册计划的建筑机械操作技术工人、建筑技工注册计划的工头，以及多技能计划的技师（Multi-skilled worker），需要通过实际操作考试和理论考试，理论考试需母语中文、马来文或英文三种语言中的一种。

问题：政府是否援助企业提升工人技能？
回答：建设局的人力资源技能提升计划（WTU计划）能帮助雇主支付高达80%的培训费和考试费，WTU计划需在申请前需符合本地及外国工人。

问题：建筑业技工注册计划（CoreTrade Scheme）和多技能计划（Multi-skilling Scheme）的注册有效期为2年，怎么更新证书？
回答：请在注册失效前6个月通过建设局网站提交注册更新申请。工人必须参加半天的延长教育与培训（CET）课程后才能更新注册。

问题：建筑业技工注册计划（CoreTrade Scheme）的技术工人怎么提升成为技工计划注册工头？
回答：如想成为建筑业技工注册计划（CoreTrade Scheme）的技工，需完成建筑业技工注册计划的初级，中级和高级，通过理论考试提升成为该计划注册工头。

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NOMINATIONS:
CONSTRUCTION
PRODUCTIVITY
AWARDS 2014

Has your firm or project team been embarking on a productivity journey to explore alternative ways to build smarter and faster? Then you may just be the one we are looking for!

In its fourth year, the Construction Productivity Awards (CPA) 2014, organised by the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) aims to honour outstanding firms and industry that go the extra mile in achieving construction productivity. There are two award categories: CPA-Advocates and CPA-Projects.

CPA-Advocates

This is a new category introduced in 2013. It recognises outstanding developers, consultants, builders and subcontractors for their achievements in improving productivity at the firm level. Developers, consultants and builders are recognised for the adoption of designs, construction methods, processes and/or technologies that have significant productivity impact on their projects.

CPA-Advocates has four sub-categories:

i) Developer
ii) Consultant
iii) Builder (Open)
iv) Subcontractor (Prime)

Assessment Criteria

1. Buildable design score
2. Constructability score
3. Productivity performance (physical and value-added productivity)
4. Productivity initiatives

CPA-Projects

This category recognises project teams that have demonstrated productivity in their construction development projects from the design to the end of the construction process. It aims to encourage designers to come up with labour-efficient designs; encourage project teams to adopt labour-efficient construction methods; and honour project teams for their excellent project planning and coordination in enhancing productivity.

CPA-Projects has nine sub-categories:

i. Residential Landed Buildings
ii. Residential Non-landed Buildings (for projects with Gross Floor Area of less than 25,000m²)
iii. Residential Non-landed Buildings (for projects with Gross Floor Area of more than or equal to 25,000m²)
iv. Commercial and Office Buildings
v. Institutional Buildings
vi. Industrial Buildings
vii. Mixed Development Buildings
viii. Additions & Alterations/Upgrading Buildings
ix. Civil Engineering Projects

A) Assessment Criteria for building projects

1. Buildable design score
2. Constructability score
3. Simplicity for construction
4. Design and construction integration
5. Aesthetics

B) Assessment Criteria for civil engineering projects

1. Design for ease of construction
2. Construction technology and site management
3. Design and construction integration
4. Innovative designs and products

All nominations must be submitted to BCA by 31 December 2013.

For more information on the CPA and nominations, please visit http://www.bca.gov.sg/Awards/CPA/cpa.html.
## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Date/Time** | **Event Name** | **Venue / Organiser** | **Contact Person & Details**
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2 Dec 2013 6.30pm – 9.30pm (3 evenings) | Workshop on Site Management of Precast Concrete (12th Run) | BCA Academy 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 / BCA Academy |  
2 Dec 2013 8.30am – 1.00pm | Half Day Course on Best Practices for Green and Gracious Builder (2nd Run) | BCA Academy 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 & Visit to a Green and Gracious Builder Scheme (GGBS) Site / BCA Academy | Marketing & Business Development Unit Tel: 62489843 / 824 Email: bca_academy@bca.gov.sg 
6 Dec 2013 9.00am – 12.30pm | Code of Practice on Buildable Design (Re-run) | BCA Academy 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 / BCA Academy |  
9 Jan 2014 9.00am – 5.00pm | BCA-REDAS Built Environment and Property Prospects Seminar 2014 | TBA / BCA-REDAS |  
4 Mar – 10 Apr 2014 6.30pm – 9.30pm (12 evenings) | Certificate in Construction Productivity Management (13th Run) | BCA Academy 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 / BCA Academy | Marketing & Business Development Unit Tel: 62489843 / 824 Email: bca_academy@bca.gov.sg 
Starting in Feb 2014 (Registration closes on 8 Nov 2013) | Bachelor of Construction Management (Building) (awarded by The University of Newcastle, Australia) | Full-Time / Part-Time mode will be available | Marketing & Business Development Unit Ms Nurhadhinah Osman Tel: 67394503 Email: nurhadhinah_osman@bca.gov.sg 
21 May 2014 2.00pm – 5.30pm | Half Day Course on Basic Concept in Construction Productivity Enhancement (14th Run) | BCA Academy 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 / BCA-REDAS | Marketing & Business Development Unit Tel: 62489843 / 824 Email: bca_academy@bca.gov.sg 
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20 Dec 2013 3.00pm – 6.00pm | Structural BIM e-Submission Briefing | BCA Academy, Blk B, Level 2, IT Lab 3 200 Braddell Road Singapore 579700 / BCA Academy | Mr Sonny Andalis Tel: 6730 4438 Email: sonny_andalis@bca.gov.sg 

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**CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTIVITY AND CAPABILITY FUND (CPCF) COURSES**

- Certificate in Interior Finishing Coordination
- Certificate in Pavement Construction and Maintenance
- Certificate in Precast Concrete Construction Supervision
- Certificate in Waterproofing Supervision
- Certificate in Building Measurement
- Certificate in Geotechnical Instrumentation for Supervisors
- Certificate in Levelling and Setting Out
- Certificate Course for Structural Steel Supervisors
- NBQ in Project Supervision
- Higher NBQ in Project Supervision
- Advanced NBQ in Project Supervision
- NBQ in Supervision and Coordination of M&E Works
- Higher NBQ in Supervision and Coordination of M&E Works
- NBQ in Operation & Maintenance
- Higher NBQ in Operation & Maintenance
- Advanced NBQ in Operation & Maintenance

16 new courses are now available. Up to 50% to 80% of the training cost can be subsidised under the CPCF scheme.

The additional courses are:

- Certificate courses (PMEts)
  - Certificate course in BIM Modelling
  - Certificate course in BIM Management
  - Project Management for Professionals in the Building and Construction Industry (in collaboration with SPM)
  - Construction Productivity Management (in collaboration with SCAL)
- Trade Diplomas (Foremen / Supervisors)
  - Reinforced Concrete Supervision
  - Electrical Technology
- Certificate courses (Tradesmen / Foremen)
  - Builders Cert in Plumbing and Pipefitting
  - SEC(K) in Structural Steel Fitting
  - SEC(K) in Interior Drywall Installation

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TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION

MECHANISATION CREDIT (MECHC) SCHEME
Provides assistance to companies to defray up to 70% of equipment cost.*

PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PIP) SCHEME
Provides assistance to companies to defray up to 70% of the cost for adopting more productive work processes.*

BUILDING INFORMATION MODELLING (BIM) FUND
Provides assistance to companies to defray up to 50% of the cost of incorporating BIM into their work processes. The assistance is capped at S$20,000 for firm level scheme and S$35,000 for project collaboration scheme per application. Each company can submit up to a total of 6 applications. *Terms and conditions apply.

For more information, please call the CPCF toll-free hotline at 1800-325 5050 or visit http://www.bca.gov.sg/CPCF/cpcf.html

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