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Construction Industry Council's First "Construction Workers Festival Carnival" with Overwhelming Participation by Over 6,000 Construction Workers and Family Members

Hong Kong • 2 December 2024 - The Construction Industry Council (CIC) held its first "Construction Workers Festival Carnival" (Carnival) yesterday at CIC-Zero Carbon Park, to celebrate the outstanding performances and the contributions of construction workers. The event attracted over 6,000 construction workers and their family members to participate in, with strong support from 15 industry organisations and participation from 125 organisations. The Carnival featured game booths and activities to promote construction safety and health messages, providing workers with opportunities to experience the innovative technologies applied on construction sites.

Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, emphasised that both the frontline supervisors and workers are the treasures of the industry. They played a pivotal role in shaping the urban landscapes of all the landmark buildings, infrastructure and public facilities through their hard work and excellent craftsmanship, and have helped in creating a sense of happiness for the citizens. He welcomed the construction industry stakeholders and their families for coming to the Carnival, which truly demonstrated the CIC-ZCP as the "home for construction practitioners."

Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), stated that workers are the backbone of the construction industry, and the infrastructure in our everyday life is the result of their hard work. It is their contributions that make people able to live and work in contentment. This Carnival was a special occasion for the industry to pay tribute to them.

Mr. Vincent FUNG, Deputy Commissioner for Labour (Occupational Safety and Health), wished all workers and their families a happy life. He thanked all workers for their contributions to society and hoped they would continue to uphold professionalism and ensure safe construction.

The Carnival featured a workers' commendation by management of the construction companies. With the presence of their families to celebrate this special moment, the commendation ceremony recognised workers' contribution to construction safety and technology application, establishing their status as a professional construction craftsman, while construction companies were also given special mention for their outstanding works to care for their employees. The "Pioneering Worker Appreciation" recognised 347 frontline supervisors and workers in total while the "Caring Company Appreciation" recognised 34 companies.

The Carnival also housed the award presentation ceremony of the "Scholarship for



Family Members of Registered Construction Workers" (Scholarship). A total of 39 scholarships and over HK\$340,000 were awarded to the family members of the registered construction workers who achieved excellent results in the 2024 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination. The Carnival also presented awards to 502 workers under the "Construction Workers Professional Development Scheme" (Development Scheme), with prize money exceeding HK\$2 million, to encourage workers to upgrade their skills to become a skilled or semi-skilled worker. Through the "Outstanding Registered Construction Workers Commendation Scheme", the abovementioned Scholarship and Development Scheme received positive support from 33 developers, public organisations, contractors, registered specialist trade contractors, and registered subcontractors, with the total sponsorship amounted to over HK\$840,000.

The Construction Workers Festival Carnival has created an memorable experience for the families of the workers by offering a dazzling array of engaging games, Lubintan photo booths and live entertainments including singing, kung-fu and dance performances. The CIC hopes to make use of this event to deepen public's understanding of the professionalism and contributions of frontline supervisors and construction workers, recognising their professional status and allowing workers and their families to feel proud of being part of the construction industry.

List of Supporting Organisations for the Carnival:

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Ir Ricky LAU (1st row, 7th left), Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Ir Prof. Thomas HO (1st row, 5th left), Chairman of the CIC, Ir Albert CHENG (1st row, 5th right), Executive Director of the CIC and Mr. Vincent FUNG (1st row, 3th left), Deputy Commissioner for Labour (Occupational Safety and Health) with all invited guests officiates the kickoff ceremony



Construction Workers Festival Carnival is participated by over 6,000 construction workers and their family members



Amidst an atmosphere brimming with joy, all guests, workers and their family members immerse in this unforgettable occasion, sharing the joyful moments together



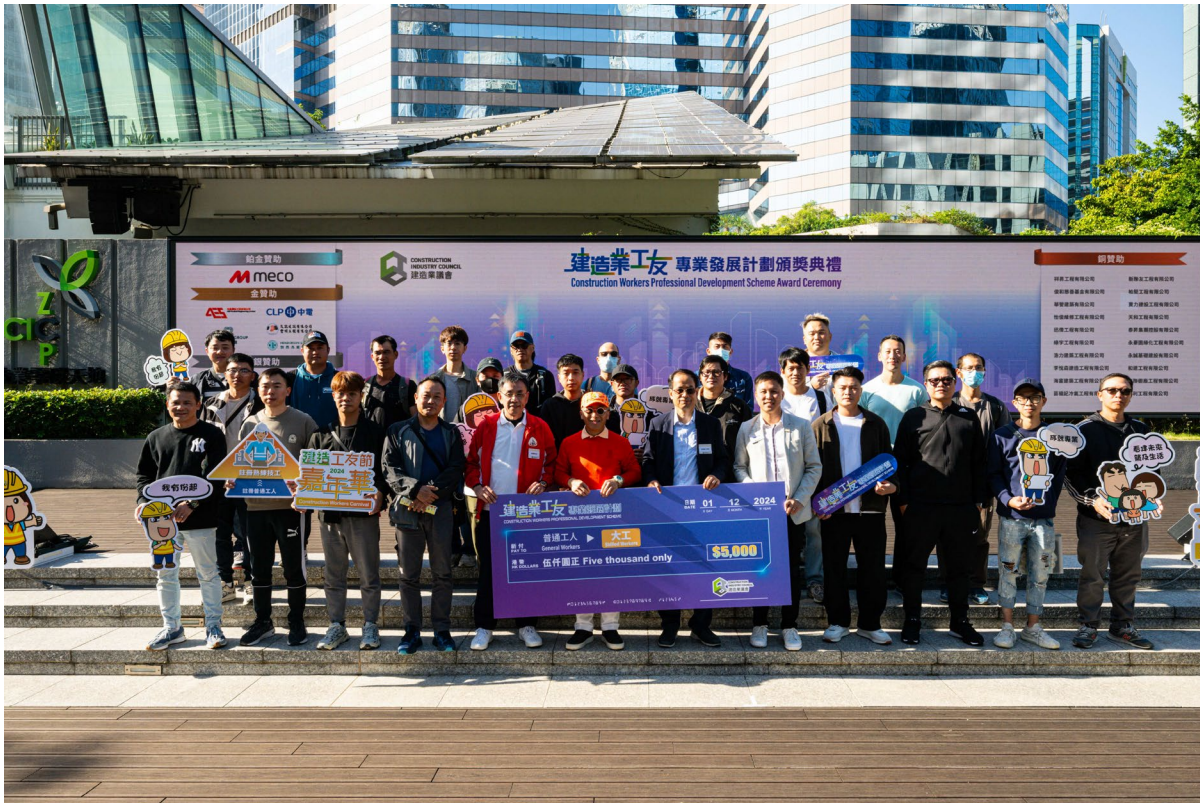
The Carnival features game booths to promote construction safety



The CIC appreciates the achievements and contributions of frontline workers



The Award Ceremony of the 14th Scholarship for Family Members of Registered Construction Workers is also held at the Carnival



Registered General Workers elevated to Registered Skilled Workers via trade tests are awarded HK\$5,000

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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.