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<u>Launching Ceremony and Briefing Session of the New</u> "Construction Workers Registration System"

Hong Kong • 18 December 2015 - In order to promote a sustainable development of the construction industry and to provide accurate data for manpower planning, CIC started the replacement of the existing "Computerised Registration Management System" (CRMS) in 2013. The development of the new "Construction Workers Registration System" ("CWRS") has completed in end of 2015 and will be implemented in phases from December 2015 to mid-September 2016.

Under the CWRS, contractors are required to use Android card-reading device with NFC function by installing a free Daily Attendance Record Application (CIC DAR App) designed by the CIC to collect and submit DAR.

The new CWRS was launched in a ceremony and briefing session on Friday, 18 December 2015. Ir LEE Shing-see, Chairman of the Construction Industry Council and Mr. Paul CHONG, Chairman of the Construction Workers Registration Board (CWRB), gave their respective remarks. "With the latest technology," Chairman LEE said, the new system better meets the contractors' needs as it is a step forward to automate the collection and submission of the Daily Attendance Record."

Objectives of the Development of the CWRS

- To collect the raw data of DAR in order to obtain a more accurate and reliable data for analysis and use in the planning of human resources;
- To provide an updated platform with high degree of transparency to replace the CRMS and SATM currently adopted to enhance the functionality of workers registration system;
- 3. To improve the mechanism of workers registration such as reducing the number of construction-related cards to be carried by workers, to record the recent DAR on registration card and to streamline the procedures of collecting and submitting the site attendance records, etc.

Benefits of the CWRS

- 1. To collect and submit DAR in a more convenient manner.
- 2. To provide a wide selection of card reading device.
- 3. Online system enhances the efficiency of daily operations and management of DAR.
- 4. To collect raw data of DAR.
- 5. To streamline the registration procedure for the first entry workers.
- 6. To allow workers to check information stored in registration cards.
- 7. To store other construction-related qualifications/certificates to reduce the number of cards to be carried by workers.



New Features of the CWRS

- 1. To register and manage workers' in and out records on the site through CIC DAR App.
- 2. To provide CWRG to manage the DAR of workers on site.
- 3. Use of near field communication (NFC) enabled Android card reading device to read workers' information stored in registration card.

CIC is now developing a CIC Android card reading device, also known as "CIC device" that would suit the environments and operations of construction sites and to provide contractors with wide selection for purchasing. The device is user-friendly, durable, and interoperable across connectivity system interfaces.



Ir LEE Shing-see, Chairman of CIC (1st row 3rd right), Mr. Paul CHONG, Chairman of CWRB, CIC (1st row 3rd left), Mr. Ivan FU, Chairman of the Task Force on Construction Workers Registration System of CIC (1st row 2nd right) and Ir Dr. Christopher TO, Executive Director of CIC (1st row 2nd left) as well as CWRB members posed for a photo with the CIC card reading devices



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 Government, provide training and registration for the construction workforce and serve as a communication channel for Government to solicit advice on all construction-related matters.

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