

## Contract Administration in Relation to Time for Projects Under PAM 2006 Standard Form of Contract By Ir. Mathew Thomas

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he above evening talk was presented by Asst. Prof. Lim Chai Chai to 43 participants who attended the event organized by the Engineering Education Technical Division on 6 June 2012.

The objective of the talk was to share the knowledge on issues related to the administration of time for projects under PAM 2006 Standard Form of Contract.

The speaker broke up his talk into 3 sections as follows:

- The first section dealt with the commencement of the work. The critical key areas to look into by the employer, contract administrator and the contractor where applicable on the time issues such as site possession, deferment, postponement and suspension of work. The requirements to be complied by the relevant parties and its impact due to failure to meet them.
- The second section dealt with matters during the progress of the work, the actions to be taken by the contractor, contract administrator and employer and its impact if any in relation to program of work, extension of time application and evaluation, imposition of the liquidated and ascertained damages and the various certificates to be issued by the contract administrator.
- The third and final section focused on completion of the work, the requirements to be complied in relation to defects, final account, testing and commissioning and certificates to be issued for closure of the project.

The interest of the participant was held by the speaker quoting various cases that he had personally been involved in one way on another as either an arbitrator or Commercial and Contracts Manager or Project Manager and by reference to various case laws..

The talk attracted a lot of question and discussion from those who were current construction project managers and it was an eye opener for those entering the construction project sector. This summarised talk is normally delivered as a training module over a two day event for those who are interested in understanding the fine details of the administration of time for projects under PAM 2006 Standard Form of Contract.

