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## CIDB LAUNCHES LATEST CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY STANDARDS TOWARDS PUBLIC SAFETY

***Updated Construction Standards Covers Public & Road User Safety in Construction Works Adjacent to and Above Roadways***

**KUALA LUMPUR (10 September 2021)** - The Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) has published the latest Construction Industry Standard (CIS 28:2021), which covers ***Public & Road User Safety – Construction Works Adjacent to and Above Roadways***. The CIS 28:2021 was developed to facilitate contractors who are planning to carry out construction activities adjacent to or above existing roadways to prevent incidents or accidents to road users and public due to construction activities.

Construction works adjacent to or above existing roadways are considered high risk activities and require strict safety control measures. Apart from the falling objects due to construction activities, road user's safety may be compromised if no adequate safety measures and procedures are fully adhered to during construction phase. Falling objects at construction zone primarily refers to falling of construction materials, substances, hand tools, appliances, equipment, machineries, launching gantry, unsecured parapet wall and debris.

CIS 28:2021 sets out the standard for safe work practices which contractors are required to comply with when carrying out construction works adjacent to and above roadways prior to work commencement, during execution of the work and upon completion of the work.

The CIS 28:2021 applies to the construction zone itself, such as viaducts, fly-overs, bridges, elevated highways, elevated rail tracks, telecommunication pylons and transmission lines, elevated utilities routing and unprotected building edges, which are

under construction. It includes other construction machinery and tools, such as loading platforms, and also applies to the immediate vicinity of the project.

The development of CIS 28:2021 was carried out by a Technical Committee led by CIDB. The members of the Technical Committees were made up of representatives of construction industry stakeholders namely; the Association of Consulting Engineers Malaysia (ACEM), Department of Occupational Safety and Health Malaysia (DOSH), Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM), Malaysian Institute of Road Safety Research (MIROS) Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR), Lembaga Lebuhraya Malaysia (LLM), Mass Rapid Transit Corporation Sdn. Bhd. (MRT Corp), Master Builders Association Malaysia (MBAM), Real Estate & Housing Developers' Association (REHDA) and Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM).

All parties involved in Construction Works Adjacent to and Above Roadways must use the CIS 28:2021 as a standard practice to minimize safety risk.

The CIS 28:2021 Public & Road User Safety – Construction Works Adjacent to and Above Roadways can be downloaded from CIDB's official website at the following link: <https://www.cidb.gov.my/index.php/ms/mengenai-kami/penerbitan/standards>. For further information, please call the CIDB Careline at 03-5567 3300.

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