

## Online Talk on “Impact of Covid-19 and MCO/CMCO/RMCO on Construction Projects, What To Expect and What To Do?”

**Date** : Friday, 23 October 2020  
**Time** : 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.  
**Venue** : ZOOM Application  
**Speaker** : Ir. Lai Sze Ching

### Synopsis

The outbreak of the COVID-19 has already had a significant effect on global businesses due to shortages in the labour market and disruptions to supply chains. In the field of construction, contractors and other parties involved in construction projects in Malaysia are struggling with problems caused by factory closures in other countries and restrictions in the movement of staff and labour. To curb and control the outbreak the government implemented a Movement Control Order (“MCO”) on 16 March 2020 and it was replaced with another Conditional Movement Control Order (“CMCO”) which was further extended to 9 June 2020. The Government thereafter announced the Recovery Movement Control Order (“RMCO”) to be effective from 10 June 2020 to 31 December 2020.

With the extended period of restriction on movement of people, the construction industry is seriously affected. In this webinar, we will discuss following issues related to the construction industries and options available to both the Employer and Contractor:-

1. Impact of Covid-19, MCO, CMCO, and RMCO on the construction industry.
2. Actions taken by the government for the construction industry in order to curb the pandemic.
3. SOP issued by the government and CIDB for the construction projects.
4. Is the doctrine of *force majeure* applicable to the contracts affected by Covid-19, MCO, CMCO and RMCO?
5. Impact of Covid19, MCO, CMCO and RMCO on the standard form of construction contracts, in relation to PAM2018/2006, JKR 203A (2010), IEM (Civil) 2017 and FIDIC, in particular to the issue of extension of time.
6. Are the Contractors allowed to claim for the loss & expense if EOT is granted?
7. Are the Contractors liable to the penalty if they fail to comply with the SOP?
8. Temporary Measures for Reducing the Impact of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Bill 2020

### About the Speaker:

**Ir. Lai Sze Ching** graduated as a Mechanical Engineer from the University of Malaya in 1978. He also holds LL.B degree from University of London and LL.M from University of Malaya, majoring in Alternative dispute Resolution, Arbitration Law, Remedy and Construction Law. In addition, he also holds a Certificate of Legal Practice from the Qualifying Board of Malaysian and Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration (UK).

Ir. Lai has more than 30 years working experience in the field of construction and property development. He is currently the Managing Director of a consulting firm involved in Construction Claims and provision of Contract/Project Management services. Ir. Lai had been invited to deliver papers in construction, water supply, and sewage treatment in various international seminars and conferences. He has also written many articles on ADR, Arbitration and Construction Law and had conducted talks on Law for Engineers and on Construction Law to local companies and Universities.

Being an accreditor of Engineering Accreditation Council Malaysia, he is also actively involved in the accreditation of local engineering programmes. Ir. Lai is also appointed as the Student Ambassador for the External Law Programme of University of London. He is empaneled as Arbitrator, Mediator and Adjudicator in the panel of Asia International Arbitration Centre (AIAC).

### Participant Fees:

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