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**QECP Review Panel**

**EARTH CONTROL MEASURES(ECM) PLANS AND SERVICES**

The sixteenth QECP Review Panel session was conducted on 3 July at IES.

At the session, five QECPs presented their ECM plans and mistakes in their submission were discussed. The Panel has accorded demerit points to the QECPs accordingly.

Key findings from this session are:

- (i) The quality of ECM submission has improved significantly since the establishment of the review panel, especially for the submission of ECM plans of bigger sites such as those of 0.2 ha site area and above. As a result, there are fewer poor ECM that required review.
- (ii) The common mistake observed in poor submissions was QECP failing to check the draft ECM plan made by his engineer before submission to PUB.

In view of the above findings, the Panel has decided the following:

- (i) To be stricter with poor submission and in particular, would accord more demerit points to QECPs who failed to check the ECM plan properly and submitted the plan with mistakes that are glaring and avoidable. Such poor submissions will cause PUB to spend unnecessary time that could be better used to check the submission from other QECPs.
- (ii) To conduct more online and ad hoc review sessions on any poor submissions so that issues can be addressed promptly.

The above fine-tuning of the Panel's audit mechanism, along with PUB publication of the list of QECPs with least re-submissions, are put in place to achieve better quality and more consistent QECP services for the construction industry, thereby, improve the level of professionalism of QECPs and the QECP fraternity.

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