

PRESS STATEMENT

Fatal Accident at Package V4 by Sunway Construction

Kuala Lumpur, 3 March 2015: The Klang Valley MRT Project Delivery Partner (PDP), MMC-Gamuda KVMRT S/B, wishes to provide an update on the unfortunate incident that occurred at the Semantan work area, under V4 package on the afternoon of 27 February 2015.

The injured worker, Shanaullah is in stable condition. Arrangements are also being made to repatriate the deceased, Rijaul Abdul Goni, back to his home country, Bangladesh. His body will be flown to Shahjalal International Airport in Dhaka tonight.

Sunway Construction, the work package contractor (WPC) for this section of the alignment, takes full responsibility for the incident and has adhered to the immediate Stop Work Order issued by DOSH on the day of the incident. This is in compliance with all Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) which PDP has maintained throughout the development of this major project.

“The Department of Safety and Health (DOSH) has begun investigations with the full cooperation from the WPC. PDP’s internal investigation into this incident is currently on-going and we have some early findings,” said En Adil Putra bin Ahmad, Deputy Construction Director.

The findings of the preliminary internal investigation is contained in the appendix.

MMC-Gamuda extends its deepest condolences to the families of the victims involved in this unfortunate incident.

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Details of Accident

➤ Cause of Accident

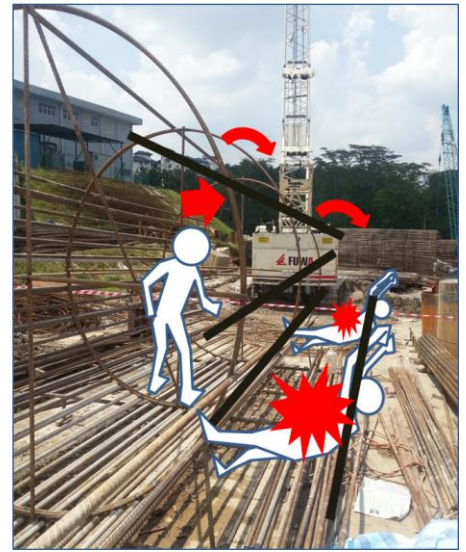
The following illustrates the sequence of events at the Semantan Package V4 work site:



A side view of the rebar cage that was being fabricated.



1. One MRT worker was tying the rebar to the cage from the inside.
2. Another two workers were holding the rebar from the outside.



1. The tie wire broke and the rebar slipped from both workers' hands.
2. The falling rebar in turn hit other rebars, which fell onto the two workers.

➤ Preliminary Findings

The findings reveal that the workers:

- Lack the work trade skills related to the task
- Lack general safety awareness

The root cause is the absence of basic training in work skills and safety practices.