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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
QUARTER OCTOBER - DECEMBER 1982

Planning Approvals

The Ministry of National Development granted planning approval to 225 development proposals worth \$3.6 billion in the 4th Quarter of 1982. The lion's share of the cost of construction went to 22 commercial developments for \$1.6 billion and 108 residential developments for \$1.2 billion. Industrial and institutional developments accounted for \$508.3 million and \$245.6 million respectively.

Private sector approvals included 100 residential developments worth \$7.8 million, 19 commercial developments worth \$1.5 billion and 61 industrial developments worth \$385.2 million. Among these were several massive developments which included the \$600.0 million Rahardja Centre - a convention centre at Marina Centre, with hotels and ancillary shopping and cinema complex, the \$250.0 million 52-storey Singapore Treasury Building at Shenton Way/Maxwell Road/Anson Road/Prince Edward Lane, a \$200.0 million development of twin 37-storey office blocks at Beach Road/Nicoll Highway and a \$158.0 million 45-storey commercial-cum-residential complex at Beach Road. When completed these developments will yield 1.9 million sq m of gross floor area worth \$2.2 billion in construction.

Planning approval was also granted to 37 public sector developments valued at \$1.4 billion. Major developments included the \$176.0 million stage 1 development of the Seraya Power Station at Pulau Seraya, a \$122.5 million industrial development at Tampines Industrial Park A and a \$77.0 million 15-storey commercial complex at South Bridge Road/North Canal Road. When completed, these 37 developments would yield 2.3 million sq m of gross floor area and 14,731 residential units.

**Building Plan Approvals  
(Private Sector Only)**

188 building plans were also approved during the quarter. Estimated to cost \$1.2 billion in construction, these included 85 residential developments worth \$264.3 million, 24 commercial developments worth \$715.4 million and 64 industrial developments worth \$232.2 million. The major developments with building plan approvals were the \$173.0 million Parkway Parade - a 17-storey office tower block with a 6-storey shopping and entertainment podium at East Coast Parkway/Marine Parade Road, a \$100.0 million 20-storey hotel building at Scotts Road, a \$70.0 million part 16/part 17-storey office building at Cantonment Road and a \$62.0 million 26-storey apartment cum shopping and entertainment complex at Upper Circular Road/New Bridge Road/South Bridge Road. These building plans which included 1,150 residential units, will yield 1.2 million sq m of gross floor area.

**Notices of Commencement**

Construction work was expected to commence on 249 building projects during the quarter. Gross floor area in these building projects amounted to 3.8 million sq m and would cost an estimated \$2.8 billion in construction.

The private sector intended to commence construction work on 172 building projects worth \$1.6 billion of which \$674.3 million would be earmarked for 81 residential developments, \$122.8 million for 18 commercial developments and \$153.2 million for 56 industrial developments. Commencement on the \$239.4 million Mandarin Gardens at East Coast Parkway/Siglap Road/Marine Parade Road and a \$200.0

million condominium housing development at Bedok South Avenue 1/ East Coast Parkway was expected in the quarter. On completion, these building plans will yield 1.4 million sq m of gross floor area.

The public sector intended to commence construction work on 77 building projects at an estimated cost of \$1.2 billion in construction. These would yield 2.4 million sq m of gross floor area to be built mainly in 33 residential developments, 4 commercial developments, 8 industrial developments and 30 institutional developments. The 33 residential developments covering 15,379 residential units included 3 HUDC housing developments at Hougang, Bishan and Potong Pasir apart from the usual HDB's public housing schemes at various new towns and estates.

#### Completion of Building Projects

The last quarter of 1982 saw the completion of 219 building projects with a gross floor area of 1.8 million sq m. Cost of completing these building projects amounted to \$1.2 billion.

The private sector completed 165 building projects at a total cost of \$723.9 million in construction. These included 86 residential developments worth \$164.3 million, 10 commercial developments worth \$69.2 million and 60 industrial developments worth \$478.3 million. Among the major buildings completed were the \$180.0 million SIA Engineering Hangar at Changi Airport, the \$33.6 million Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building at Collyer Quay and 8 projects at the Sumitomo Petrochemical Complex at Pulau Ayer Merbau costing \$124.1 million.

In the public sector, 54 projects were completed at a cost of \$477.6 million in construction. These included 6,270 residential units mainly in Jurong East (2,376 units), Jurong West (614 units), Hougang (1,098 units), Yishun (832 units) and Towner Road (451 units). Other major projects completed were the Bedok Waste Water Treatment Plant (first expansion) at Koh Sek Lim Road, a \$33.9 million gas testing turbine plant at Pasir Panjang Power Station (Stage 1) and the \$14.1 million 4-storey Tanjong Katong Complex at Geylang Road.

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