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DATE: 25 October 2021

Here goes with the latest issue of our informative and irreverent look at Thailand's construction scene.

We hope you enjoy this issue, and let's have some feedback from you all (send us some jokes please).

- ED.

PS. Subscription (mailing list) is FREE.

When I retire, I will have little house on a lakeside..





The only way to start - with a joke or two

→ NEED SOME NEW JOKES PEOPLE!!! Keep sending us a few jokes we can use. Cheers! ←

A man walks into his bedroom and sees his wife packing a suitcase

He asks, "What are you doing?"

She replies, "I'm off to New York. I read that prostitutes there get paid \$400 for doing what I do for you for free."

Later, on her way out, the wife walks into the bedroom and sees her husband packing his suitcase.

"Where are you going?" she asks.

"I'm coming with you. I want to see how you live on \$800 a year."

The scene is early one morning in Glasgow.

A chemist (druggist to the Americans) is opening his shop. He hears pipes in the distance, getting closer.

Soon, preceded by his piper, a huge, craggy, Sergeant Major of the Black Watch marches into the shop, stamps to a halt, and says to the chemist. "Good morning, Mac."

"Good morning, S'arnt Major, what can I do for you?"

The Sergeant Major digs down into his sporran and pulls out a condom.

It is battered, torn, and has been glued back together, there are bicycle patches, Band-Aids, and all sorts of repairs to it. He slaps it on the counter, and says "Can ye fix it, Mac?"

The chemist picks it up on the end of a ruler, and looks at it from all angles. "I dinna ken if it can be fixed. They would have to vulcanise it oop, or something. Are ye certain ye are not wanting' a new one?"

"Och, and how much is a new one costing?"

"They are saxpence."

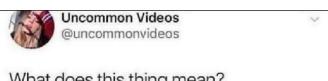
"That's a lot of money, and how much to fix this one?"

"Well, we will have to send it oot. There will be parts and labour. Let's say thruppence."

"Och, that's a lot of money, too. I'll tell ye what, I'll take it away, and I'll bring it back tomorrow, and I'll let ve know."

And off he goes, to the skirl of the pipes and "Blue bonnets over the Border."

The next morning, good as his word, he is back in the shop, with a smile on his craggy face, and says: "You're in luck, Mac, the regiment has accepted your repair tender!"



What does this thing mean?





You get 3 wishes

A father, mother, and son were going to Europe and were going to visit the nude beaches while they were there. They didn't want the son to get a distorted view of beauty, so they told him that the men with really big dicks were really really dumb, and that the woman with really big tits were really really dumb.

When they got to the beach they split up.

Later the mother saw the son and asked where his dad was.

The boy said, "Well, the last time I saw him he was talking to this really, really, really dumb blond, and the longer they talked the dumber he got."

There was this little boy who woke up 3 nights in a row to hear his parents' making noises from their bedroom.

On the 3rd morning, the little boy finally asked his mom, "Mom, for the last 3 night I waked up during the night, and I hear you and daddy making noises from your room. Why?"

Surprised by the question the mom replies, "Well... I am jumping up and down on him because he is so fat, that it makes him feel thin."

Then the boy said, "That won't work mom!"

The mom asks, "Why?"

The boy then says, "Because after you leave for work every morning, the lady from next door comes by and pumps dad right back up!"

A guy goes to a doctor and says, "Doc, you've got to help me. My p*nis is orange."

Doctor pauses to think and asks the guy to drop his pants so he can check. Damned if the guy's p*nis isn't orange. Doc tells the guy, "This is very strange. Sometimes things like this are caused by a lot of stress in a person's life."

Probing as to the causes of possible stress, the doc asks the guy, "How are things going at work?"

The guy responds that he was fired about six weeks ago.

The doctor tells him that this must be the cause of the stress.

Guy responds, "No. The boss was a real asshole, I had to work 20-30 hours of overtime every week and I had no say in anything that was happening. I found a new job a couple of weeks ago where I can set my own hours, I'm getting paid double what I got on the old job and the boss is a really great guy."

So, the doc figures this isn't the reason.

He asks the guy, "How's your home life?"

The guy says, "Well, I got divorced about eight months ago."

The doc figures that this has got to be the reason for all of the guy's stress.

Guy says, "No. For years, all I listened to was nag, nag, nag. God, am I glad to be rid of that old bitch."

So, the doc takes a few minutes to think a little longer. He inquires, "Do you have any hobbies or a social life?"

The guy replies, "No, not really. Most nights I sit home, watch some porno flicks and munch on Cheetos."



A man is walking through town and spots a pub. There are signs everywhere that say "Free beer for life!"

He walks in and asks the bartender what he has to do in order to receive free beer for life.

The bartender says" you must drink this entire Gallon of tequila, pull the tooth from an alligator out back who has a toothache, then you must go upstairs and have sex with the ugliest woman to ever live."

The man says "sounds easy. Hand me the tequila, sir."

The man drinks the entire gallon of tequila as quick as he can.

He later stumbles out back to the alligator.

The inside of the pub hears a ton of wild racket coming from out back.

A few minutes of this and then it's silent.

Then the man comes stumbling back into the bar, his clothes torn up and has a few cuts and bruises.

He yells out" Alright, now where's that lady with a toothache?!"

Are you serious?!?!? So after leaving the drive thru today my wife took her sandwich out of the bag and we see THIS!! Seriously? Oh not today, not today!! I went back to the restaurant, went INSIDE (already fuming), asked to speak to the manager and then threw the sandwich on the counter. I asked him for an explanation. He looked confused, so I pointed at the writing on the sandwich and demanded that he tells me why someone felt the need to write it on my Wife's sandwich. He answered, "because you ordered a BLT with cheese??" To which I replied "Oh"



What's new?

Do you or your company have some news?

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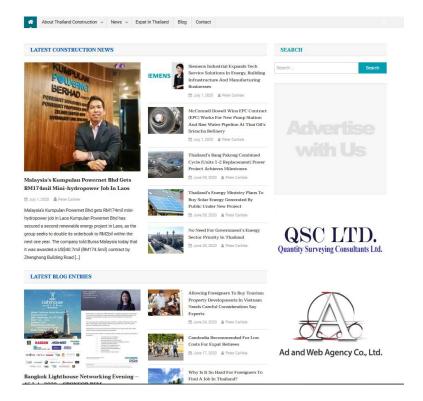
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Construction News



Charoen Pokphand Group-led consortium to take over Thailand's Airport Rail Link services

October 24, 2021

Charoen Pokphand Group-led consortium to take over Thailand's Airport Rail Link services A consortium led by Charoen Pokphand Group will take over the operations of Airport Rail Link (ARL) services on Monday, according to the Department of Rail Transport (DRT). DRT's deputy director-general Pichet Khunathamrak recently held a meeting with Asia Era One (AERA1) to [...]



The Thai Arbitration Institute Rules Amended - A Key to Quicker Dispute Resolution?

The Thai Arbitration Institute Rules Amended – A Key to Quicker Dispute Resolution? By Chandler MHM Limited Introduction Arbitration is a common mechanism for alternative dispute resolution nowadays. The Thai Arbitration Institute (the "TAI") (originally the Arbitration Office under the supervision of the Ministry of Justice) is among a handful of [...]

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October 21, 2021

88MW Ninh Thuan wind farm in Vietnam comes online Ninh Thuan is a JV between AC Energy and BIM Group Commercial operation has begun at the 88MW Ninh Thuan wind farm in Vietnam, a JV between AC Energy and BIM Group. K2 Management (K2M) worked as owner's engineer on the final phase of a vast [...]



Thai Developer Supalai to launch four new condo projects in the fourth quarter 2021

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Bangkok's MRT Purple Line southern extension to lift real estate investment

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Bangkok's MRT Purple Line southern extension to lift real estate investment Krungthai Compass, the business analysis arm of Thailand's Krungthai Bank, believes the MRT Purple Line's southern extension will attract up to 80 billion baht (\$2.4 billion) in real estate investment in Bangkok's Tao Poon-Rat Burana area. Compass executive vice-president Phacharaphot Nuntramas said the 110-billion-baht [...]



Cambodia's construction sector investment records 24% dip in Jan-Aug 2021

Cambodia's construction sector investment records 24% dip in Jan-Aug 2021 Capital investment in newly-approved construction projects over the first eight months of 2021 reached \$3.843 billion, contracting by 24.4 per cent year-on-year, largely as a result of the protracted Covid-19 epidemic. The Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction greenlit 2,901 construction projects in [...]

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Vietnamese property market expected to stage strong rebound following the economic reopening

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Vietnamese property market expected to stage strong rebound following the economic reopening Vietnam's real estate market has seen positive signs for recovery following the economic reopening, experts have said. Vietnam Real Estate Brokers Association secretary-general Nguyen Van Dinh told the conference "Vietnam Real Estate: New Normal-New Trend-New Demand" last week that in the three Covid-19 [...]



China-Laos Railway kicks off dynamic testing

China-Laos Railway kicks off dynamic testing The first dynamic testing train departed from the Vientiane Station of China-Laos Railway on Wednesday morning and headed north to the Laos-China border town of Boten to kick off the dynamic testing along the China-Laos Railway. Dynamic testing is an important step before the railway is put into operation. [...]

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October 20, 2021

Aurecon appointed key consortium partner (Engineering) on Long Thanh International Airport's passenger terminal outside of Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam As seen on LinkedIn: Aurecon is proud to be appointed as a key consortium partner (Engineering) working alongside @Heerim Architects (South Korea) on the Long Thanh International Airport's passenger terminal located 40km outside of Ho [...]

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Thailand's Conditions for no-quarantine required for arrivals from 46 countries commencing from 01 November 2021

October 24, 2021

Thailand's Conditions for no-quarantine required for arrivals from 46 countries commencing from 01 November 2021 The government on Friday outlined conditions for quarantine-free entry from Nov 1 for arrivals by air from 46 countries, which also apply to people who recently left Thailand for those countries. It also gave details for arrivals under other criteria. [...]

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Thailand introduces new 3 million baht insurance requirement for 'retirement' visas October 20, 2021

Thailand introduces new 3 million baht insurance requirement for 'retirement' visas In a revision to the rules for non-immigrant OA visas, foreigners will now be required to hold a minimum of 3 million baht in health insurance, for in-patient services, in order to be eligible for long-term stays in Thailand, 8 times more than the [...]



Thailand's healthcare system ranked among best in the world – 13th out of 89 countries October 20, 2021

Thailand's healthcare system ranked among best in the world – 13th out of 89 countries Thailand's health care system has been ranked among the best in the world, according to CEO WORLD magazine's Health Care Index. The Health Care Index, which ranks 89 countries according to factors that contribute to overall health, ranked Thailand's health [...]

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Thailand's Health ministry unveils preliminary criteria for 01 November 2021 quarantine lifting October 14, 2021

Thailand's Health ministry unveils preliminary criteria for 01 November 2021 quarantine lifting BANGKOK (NNT) – The minister of public health has unveiled preliminary criteria for quarantine-free travel that will be applied to tourists from low-risk countries who arrive in Thailand from November 1 onward, saying that the visitors will be able to travel freely after [...]



Prime Minister sets 01 November 2021 for Thailand's reopening to foreign tourists from low-risk countries

Prime Minister sets 01 November 2021 for Thailand's reopening to foreign tourists from low-risk countries Alcohol sales, other entertainment venues to be allowed by 01 December 2021 Prime Minister Prayut Chan-o-cha said on Monday that he will push for the opening up of the country to fully vaccinated foreign tourists from at least 10 countries [...]

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Thailand's proposed THB 500 Tourist fee starting in 2022 could be nail in coffin October 11, 2021

Thailand's proposed THB 500 Tourist fee starting in 2022 could be nail in coffin Bangkok Post Editorial Early last week, news surfaced that the Centre for Economic Situation Administration rubber-stamped a proposal brought by the National Tourism Policy Committee to collect a "small tax" from tourists entering the country, starting in 2022. The fee, 500 [...]



Five more tourist destinations in Thailand to be conditionally opened to visitors starting 01 November 2021

Five more tourist destinations in Thailand to be conditionally opened to visitors starting 01 November 2021 Phuket Sandbox proves a success with B2.3bn added to economy, says government Five more tourist destinations in Thailand will be opened to visitors starting Nov 1 on the condition that there is no new large Covid-19 cluster in the [...]

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40 Temples underwater as worst floods in 10 years hit historic Thai city of Ayutthaya in Thailand Several temples in Thailand's historic city of Ayutthaya were underwater on Wednesday, as heavy monsoon rains flooded provinces across the country. More than 40 temples in Ayutthaya, home to ancient Buddhist temples, ruins, and monuments, have been affected [...]



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I hate when people are eating yogurt and spend 30 minutes going apeshit scraping the container for every last drop. It's fucking yogurt. Not cocaine



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UPDATED 20.04.21 - Thailand Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – https://www.ciarb.org/ournetwork/asia/thailand/

<u>CIBSE (Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers)</u>: We understand that there is no longer a Country Representative for Thailand – for the closest chapter, refer to the CIBSE website link (https://www.cibse.org/networks/regions/international-chapters)

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UPDATED 26.01.20 - International Chamber of Commerce (Thailand) Arbitration & ADR Commission – The current Chair is Mr Desmond Hughes of the law firm Hughes Krupica whose email address is desmond@hugheskrupica.com

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Thai Contractor Association - http://www.tca.or.th/html/index.asp.

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The 'Outro' [it never changes]: Your contributions are needed

Thailand has become home in recent decades to many expatriates from countries all over the globe and particularly for those of us in the construction, engineering, oil, petroleum, property and telecommunications industries. We work in huge industries, we're spread all over the nation and we're all so isolated and living in our little world that we all know a little bit of what's happening out there in the industries but there's currently nothing available as an instrument to convey and inform us more about what's currently happening outside one's little office, project site, 6 pm sundowners bar or wherever your little world is, other than word of mouth. TCN reckons that Thailand needs a 'jungle drum' to which we can all contribute to disseminate [ooh, big word – Ed] our own little knowledge to others. TCN wants to be that 'jungle drum' [a kind of an emailed version of the stuff you talk about in those rather nice bars in Soi 33 on the way home – that 4th beer is the dangerous one isn't it, eh! – Ed] to make it work though we will need the input of you, you and you - our subscribers. Contribute as much as possible, PLEASE.

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