

## CIAP 2013 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Industry Policy Development

- The CIAP continued to formulate and/or implement policies, programs and measures to support the development of the industry which are necessary to be able to come up with an overall strategy for the industry's sustainable growth. In this light, the following policy initiatives on major/ critical issues were addressed in 2013:
  1. CBR No.1 s. 2013, "Endorsing Nominees to the vacant position of two board members of PCAB to the Office of the President "
  2. CBR No. 2.s 2013 "Reappointment of Engr. Antonio A. Abola as 1st member of the Construction Industry Arbitrations Commission"
  3. CBR No. 3.s 2013 "Dismissing the Appeal filed by the Cube Joint Venture from the Resolution of the PCAB"
  4. CBR No. 4.s 2013 "Approving the 2016 CIAP Strategy Map and Balanced Scorecard"
  5. CBR No. 5.s 2013 "Approving the Proposed Amendments to the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 4566 (Contractors' License Law) and Directing the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB) to reflect the said proposals to the amendments of the IRR and thereafter implement the same.
  6. CBR No. 6.s 2013 "Authorizing DPWH Secretary Rogelio L. Singson, Vice Chairman of the Construction Industry Authority of the Philippines to sign in behalf of the CIAP Board.
  7. CBR No.7 s. 2013, "Approving PCAB Extensions to implement the capital re-structuring of concerned licencees until 30 June 2014 to comply with the 60-40% Filipino-Foreign equity requirement for the renewal of their Regular Contractors License"; and
  8. CBR No. 8.s 2013 "Confirming the grant of amnesty to unlicensed contractors by the PCAB pursuant to its Resolution No. 284, series of 2013."

### By Referendum

9. CBR No. 9 s 2013 "Endorsing Nominees to the Vacant Position of Chairman in the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board to the Office of the President"
10. CBR No. 10.s 2013 "Confirming the Amendments to the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 4566 (Contractors License Law) for Endorsement to the Office of the President for Approval "

### Establishment of CIAP Windows in the DTI Regional offices

- CIAP opened its service windows in collaboration with the DTI Regional Offices, in the following regions: 2011- (pilot tested in Region XI (Davao) and Region VII (Cebu); 2012 – Region I (La Union) and Region V (Legaspi); and 2013 - Region X (Cagayan de Oro City), Region III (Pampanga) and Cordillera Region (Baguio City). Bringing a total of 7 CIAP windows. Another service window in Region IV-A (Calamba) was also opened in January 2014.
- CIAP services offered are: licensing and registration; resolution of construction contract disputes and claims; overseas registration/authorization and promotion; and contractors' performance evaluation system.
- This project was most welcomed by the construction industry associations, contractors as well as the Local Government Units (LGUs) in the above-mentioned regions and provinces because such effort will reduce the cost of their member-contractors in doing business as well as ease of doing business.

### Development of the Philippine Construction Industry Competency Registry System (PCICRS)

- The PCICRS is a registry system that will attest to the competency level of the construction personnel. An integrated database of trained and qualified construction



personnel, Authorized Managing Officers (AMOs) who have met its qualification requirement, safety officers, supervisors and project managers of concerned entities, all of whom have undergone the appropriate training & passed qualification requirements, is developed.

- The CIAP has been issuing Construction Competency Registry Cards (CCRC) to construction personnel who has attended the seminars/construction-related courses conducted by the CIAP and its training arm, the Construction Manpower Development Foundation. (CMDF). Among the seminars/courses are: Authorized Managing Officer (AMO), 40-hrs Construction Safety and Health Course, one-day Safety and Health course for construction personnel, Supervisory or technical development courses, and construction project management courses.
- The CCRC ensures to all stakeholders that the required competencies and or basic knowledge and skills are met by individual construction personnel either as workers, students (cadet engineers), safety and health officer, project managers/superintendents, supervisors or AMOs.
- The registry has been implemented on a voluntary basis.
- Since the inception in September 2012 upto present, Construction Competency Registry Cards were issued to 1,200 construction personnel.

### **Contractors Licensing and Registration**

- In order to promote the safety and protect the interest of the general public from risks of dealing with unqualified and incompetent contractors, the CIAP through PCAB regulates the construction sector through contractor licensing & registration. PCAB also investigates and imposes sanctions against erring contractors.
- In 2013, the PCAB approved 9,118 applications for new licenses, renewal, license amendments & upgrading, special licenses covering CFY 2012-2013 and CFY 2013-2014). The bulk of approvals consisted of 70% of renewals, 12% of new entrants, 8% of license amendments and 10% special license. Likewise, PCAB was able to register 2,046 contractors that are allowed to undertake government projects.
- Processing time of applications for renewal of contractors' license and registration has been reduced from 30 days to 10 days for renewing contractors.
- Moreover, contractors found guilty of violating the licensing law were subjected to disciplinary actions in the form of revocation or suspension of their licenses and blacklisting of Authorized Managing Officer (AMO) or proprietor. In 2013, 13 contractors licenses were suspended; 4 licenses revoked and 6 licenses denied.
- Three (3) Public consultations (Metro Manila, Cebu and Davao) pertaining to the proposed amendments to the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 4566 or the Contractors License Law were conducted.

### **Overseas Construction Promotion and Market Development**

- The construction industry is making its name not only within the country but in the international market as well. Construction materials suppliers/manufacturers are innovating towards the needs of the global consumer. Foreign firms opt for Filipino architects, engineers and construction workers for their unparalleled skills and knowledge. POCB Issued 5 registration certificates to overseas contractors and 4 Authority to Bid for overseas projects.
- POCB participated in international and local trade exhibits such as 2013 Worldbex and Philconstruct 2013. These events promoted the capabilities of Filipino contractors and the various projects undertaken by them in the international contracting field. It also prepared and disseminated to contractors 12 issues of POCB Newsletter and 6 country profiles.
- It conducted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Construction Industry Symposium on Construction Opportunities in Cambodia – Laos – Myanmar (CLM) region, Iraq and Timor-Leste held on 24 October 2013. The objectives of the seminar were to arouse, among Philippine construction and related consultancy services, awareness of, and interest in the business opportunities



emerging in the above-mentioned countries as well as inform contractors and consultants about the assistance/services and benefits available from, the POEB, DTI, POEA, DFA and PhilExim, for those who will do business overseas.

- It actively participated in the drafting the Proposed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) among DOLE, PRC, Bureau of Immigration (BI) and CIAP on the Issuance of Alien Employment Permit for the entry and employment of foreign professional and workers in the construction industry.

### **Domestic Construction Development**

#### **Construction Performance Evaluation System (CPES)**

- In order to help ensure efficiency, quality and safety in government construction projects, CIAP through the Philippine Domestic Construction Board (PDCB) implements the Constructors Performance Evaluation System (CPES). The CPES is a uniform rating system of evaluating the performance of contractors based on a set of criteria which include Workmanship, Materials, Time, Facilities, Environmental, Safety and Health, and Resources Deployment.
- The CIAP through the PDCB promoted the implementation of CPES in government infrastructure/tendering agencies. It provides technical assistance services for the establishment of CPES Implementing Units to implementing agencies. It also accredits Constructors Performance Evaluators (CPEs) who may be tasked to evaluate performance of government infrastructure projects.
- In 2013, 85 applications for new and renewing CPEs accreditation were processed, bringing the total number of accredited CPEs to 977 (as of December 2013) from various agencies.
- PDCB has partnered with construction industry associations/professionals, particularly the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers (PICE) and the Philippine Constructors Association (PCA) in its promotional activities on the CPES.
- An Inter-Agency Committee with PDCB as lead, had also submitted to the CIAP Board proposed amendments to the CPES Implementing Guidelines for approval and endorsement to the NEDA Infracom. This is due for deliberation in the next CIAP Board Meeting.
- Conducted the 1<sup>st</sup> National Convention of Accredited CPES Evaluators in October 3, 2013.

### **Construction Contract Dispute Resolution**

- The CIAP through the CIAC makes available a venue to resolve claims and disputes arising from or connected with public and private construction contracts in the Philippines.
- For 2013, a total of Thirty Nine (39) arbitration cases involving a total Sum-In-Dispute (SID) of PhP 1.114 Billion were resolved within 6 months from TOR signing/approved time extensions. In addition, Four (4) arbitration cases with SID of PhP 68.94 Million were settled amicably and two (2) cases with SID of PhP 10.433 Million were dismissed, bringing the total number of resolved arbitration cases for the year to Forty Five (45). Also, Six (6) mediation cases from the 2012 docket with a SID of PhP 1.887 Billion and two (2) from the 2013 docket involving a total SID of PhP 0.967 Billion, were dismissed.