ABANDONED PROJECT RESTORATION MODEL (APRM) FOR RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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ABSTRACT

Incompletion of construction projects is a common phenomenon in Malaysia. Project abandonment has given an adverse consequences to the economy, society and environment. In the best interest of the end users and other parties involved in the contract, the best resolution for this abandoned projects is to successfully revive them, which has its' stages and barriers along the way as well. The main aim of this research is to develop an effective model as a guide towards project restoration which could be used to mitigate the issue of abandoned residential construction projects in Malaysia. Identifying the factors contributing towards the restoration of the abandoned projects are important to have a successful completed project. This research was conducted in the purpose of identifying those significant factors in order to obtain the restoration process for abandoned projects where lastly the Abandoned Project Restoration Model (APRM) was developed. The research focuses on residential construction projects. This research comprises of both quantitative and qualitative approaches and process, where a pilot survey and full survey, and as well as interview analysis were conducted. Factor model was developed using AMOS and lastly the developed model was validated and tested by related officials. The outcome of this research showed that the most significant factor for abandoned project restoration is Management Aspects. A complete restoration process based on the significant factors identified were also obtained. This model is seen as useful in contributing and as well as assisting the restoration of the abandoned projects in Malaysia and could be used as a guideline for that purpose.



ABSTRAK

Fenomena projek pembinaan yang tidak selesai merupakan satu isu yang sering diutarakan dalam industri pembinaan di Malaysia. Isu projek terbengkalai memberi kesan dan impak yang negatif kepada ekonomi, masyarakat dan persekitaran negara. Penyelesaian yang terbaik dalam isu ini terutamanya bagi semua yang terlibat dalam kontrak projek pembinaan terbengkalai adalah memulihkan projek tersebut di mana beberapa peringkat dan halangan perlu diatasi supaya proses pemulihan berjaya. Matlamat utama penyelidikan ini adalah membangunkan satu model efektif yang menjurus kepada pemulihan projek terbengkalai dengan berkesan. Model ini juga membawa penyelesaian kepada projek terbengkalai di Malaysia. Mengenalpasti faktor-faktor yang menyumbangkan kepada pemulihan projek terbengkalai adalah sangat penting supaya satu projek yang siap sepenuhnya dapat dihasilkan dengan jayanya. Penyelidikan ini merangkumi proses mengenalpasti faktor-faktor signifikan dalam pemulihan di mana proses-proses pemulihan telah diperolehi dan akhirnya Abandoned Project Restoration Model (APRM) telah dibangunkan. Skop penyelidikan adalah projek pembinaan perumahan terbengkalai. Penyelidikan ini meliputi dua kaedah dan proses iaitu kaedah kuantitatif dan kualitatif, di mana proses kajiselidik dan proses temuduga dijalankan. Model faktor dibangunkan dengan menggunakan perisisan AMOS dan akhirnya model yang telah siap sepenuhnya telah melalui proses validasi serta diuji oleh pihak-pihak yang telibat dalam penyelidikan ini. Di hujung penyelidikan, didapati faktor signifikan yang paling penting untuk pemulihan projek terbengkalai adalah aspek pengurusan. Proses-proses pemulihan yang menyeluruh adalah berdasarkan faktor-faktor yang telah dikenalpasti. Model ini adalah efektif dan dapat membantu dalam pemulihan projek perumahan terbengkalai di Malaysia dan juga dapat digunakan sebagai garis panduan untuk tujuan tersebut.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

APRM - Abandoned Project Restoration Model

CEDD - Civil Engineering Development Department

CFA - Confirmatory Factor Analysis

CIDB - Construction Industry Development Board

EFA - Exploratory Factor Analysis

FNR - Factor For Non-Revival

FPR - Factor For Project Revival

HKIP - Hong Kong Institute Of Planners

IMD - Institute For Management Development

JKR - Jabatan Kerja Raya

KPKT - Kementerian Perumahan Kerajaan Tempatan

MBPJ - Majlis Bandaraya Petaling Jaya

MBSA - Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam

UHLG - Ministry of Urban Wellbeing, Housing And Local

Government

MPSJ - Majlis Perbandaran Subang Jaya

PKNS - Perbadanan Kemajuan Negeri Selangor

SEM - Structural Equation Modelling

SPNB - Syarikat Perumahan Negara Berhad

TPPT - Tabung Projek Perumahan Termampu/Terbengkalai



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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This chapter looks into the importance of the Malaysian construction industry towards the economy growth and contribution to the country. Along the way the main issue or problem of abandoned projects and the needed effort on proceeding with the restoration of abandoned projects in Malaysian and its consequences are discussed here. This issue is also shown to be endured in other countries as well apart from Malaysia. Therefore, the purpose of conducting this research based on the background of the problem and narrowing down the research scope, and coming towards identifying the research aim and objectives are discussed by the author in this chapter as well.

Malaysia is a dynamic country which is constantly evolving as stated in an article from The German Chamber Network, (2012). It is elaborated in the same article as well that being a middle-income country, Malaysia has transformed itself since the 1970s from a producer of raw materials into an emerging multi-sector economy spurred on by high technology, knowledge-based and capital intensive industries. In the year 2011, New Straits Times has reported that the Malaysia's Economic Performance ranking improved to 7th place out of 59 economies compared with the 12th position in 2007.



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