

根據2011年進行的業界調查,建造業普遍存在付款問題和爭議。

政府建議引入改善建造業付款安排的法例,希望透過訂明付款權責和審裁制度,協助解決爭議。

歡迎公眾人士就擬議的條例框架發表意見。

涵蓋的合約種類

- •政府工程 所有建造、保養、專業服務和 提供物料或機械的合約和分包合約。
- •私營界別 金額超過500萬港元的新建造工程合約和分包合約;或金額超過50萬港元的專業服務和提供物料或機械的合約和分包合約。
- 書面和口頭合約。

豁免範圍

- 私營保養和翻新工程。
- •私營採購金額不超過500萬港元的新建造工程合約。

付款權責

- 「先收款、後付款」和類似條款在條例下 均屬無效及不能執行。
- •中期及最終付款的最長付款期限分別為 收到付款申請後的60曆日和120曆日。

審裁

- 締約雙方均有權將拖欠付款的問題和關乎 金錢及/或時間的申索的爭議交由獨立審裁員 處理。
- 締約雙方仍然有權把爭議提請法庭或仲裁 處理,但期間須遵照審裁員的裁決依期付款。

不獲付款而停工

如締約一方不支付已確認到期應付的款額或不遵照審裁員的裁決付款,不獲付款的一方 有法定權利暫時停工或減慢工作進度。

諮詢截止日期

2015年8月31日

遞交意見方式

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A survey conducted in 2011 revealed that payment problems and disputes are common in the construction industry.

The Government proposes to improve payment practices in the industry by legislating on payment rights and adjudication to resolve disputes.

A proposed framework for the legislation has been formulated. Members of the public are welcome to give their views.

Contracts to be covered

- Government Works all contracts and subcontracts for construction and maintenance works plus professional services, material supply and plant hire.
- Private Sector contracts and sub-contracts for new buildings with a main contract value over HK\$5 million; or professional services, material supply and plant hire with a contract value over HK\$0.5 million.
- Both written and oral contracts.

Exclusions

- Renovation and maintenance works in the private sector.
- Private sector contracts for new buildings of not more than HK\$5 million.

Payment Rights

- 'Pay when paid' and similar clauses are ineffective and unenforceable under the law.
- Interim and final payments must be paid within 60 and 120 calendar days respectively counting from receipt of the payment applications.

Adjudication

- Contract parties have the right to adjudication conducted by an independent adjudicator in the event of non-payment and when there are disputes over payments and/or extensions of time.
- Contract parties can still go to court or arbitration but any amounts decided by the adjudicator as due must be paid in the interim.

Suspension for non-payment

 A contract party who has not been paid admitted amounts or amounts decided by an adjudicator has a statutory right to suspend works or reduce the rate of works.

June 2015

Consultation closing date

August 31, 2015

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