

Summary of Preliminary Assessment on Structural, Fire and Electrical Safety

Name of the Factory : **Concord Raiment Wear Ltd.**
Address of the Factory : 640, United Commercial Complex, Station Road, Tongi, Gazipur
Present Status of the Factory : **Under Operation**
Structural Assessment Conducted by : BUET
Date of Structural Inspection : 21st November 2013
Fire & Electrical Assessment Conducted by : BUET
Date of Fire & Electrical Inspection : 6th December 2013

BASIC INFORMATION:

The factory building is currently a four storied RC beam column frame structure. The following information was noted:

- i. Building Usage Type : Mostly garment factory building, Shops at GF
- ii. Structural System : RC Frame Building
- iii. Floor System : Edge supported RCC slabs
- iv. Floor Area : Approximately 650 sq. m (7000 sq.ft) per floor
- v. No. of Stories : Four Story (Five & six stories are under construction; No approval from RAJUK was available for six story)
- vi. Construction Year : In phases (2003 to till date)
- vii. Foundation Type : 18” Bored Piles with embedment length of 45 ft (As per drawing)
- viii. Design Drawings : Available (part without any date; Designed by Mr. Md. Soaieb Ali)
- ix. Soil Boring Report : Available
- x. Construction Materials : Reinforced Concrete, Coarse Aggregate: Brick Chips
- xi. Generator : Outside the building

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION:

The recommendations of corrective action for both Structural and Fire & Electrical Safety comprises in Short Term, Mid Term and Long Term basis.

The recommendations for **Structural Safety** corrective action are:

- Short Term (Immediate) : Loading intensity should be followed strictly.
- Mid Term (6-weeks) : A Detail Engineering Assessment (DEA) has to be completed.
- Long Term (6-months) : Necessary remediation's after completion of DEA

The recommendations for **Fire & Electrical Safety** corrective action are:

(A): Recommendations for Fire Safety corrective actions:

Immediate <i>(the factory should not continue to be occupied until these non-conformities have been rectified):</i>	N/A
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<p>Short Term</p> <p><i>(Actions that must be incorporated into a Fire Safety Management Plan immediately (a week) and should be a regular activity)</i></p>	<p>Remove all temporary obstructions from all escape routes, aisles and passageways.</p> <p>Remove all combustible materials from generator room.</p> <p>Ensure minimum width of corridors, passageways and aisles.</p> <p>Ensure easy access to portable extinguishers and monitor and maintain the same at required interval as per guidelines.</p> <p>Provide proper directional sign and exit sign in Bangla and English as per guidelines.</p>
<p>Mid Term</p> <p><i>(The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 weeks)</i></p>	<p>Produce proper drawing and plans to create horizontal and vertical fire-rated separation for stairways of appropriate specifications, grills, storage and assembly areas, offices, work areas. Also design to ensure proper separation of high risk areas (e.g., generator, boiler, transformer and substation rooms) as per guidelines.</p> <p>Remove all collapsible gates/roller shutters/sliding doors. Produce design drawings to demonstrate how stairways are to be made of adequate dimensions and appropriate specifications and to be converted into fire-rated enclosures equipped with fire-rated side swinging doors of required dimensions opening in the direction of travel at each floor.</p> <p>Provide design to install proper detection and alarm system.</p>
<p>Long Term</p> <p><i>(The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 months)</i></p>	<p>Install horizontal and vertical fire-rated separation for stairways of appropriate specifications, grills, storage and assembly areas, offices, work areas.</p> <p>Ensure proper fire separation of high risk areas (e.g., generator, boiler, transformer and substation rooms) as per approved design.</p> <p>Install fire rated enclosure and doors of appropriate dimensions at exit to the stairs to prevent smoke and fire propagation as per approved design.</p> <p>Install proper detection and alarm system.</p> <p>Provide fire rated enclosure, install self closing fire rated door as per guidelines.</p>

(B): Recommendations for Electrical Safety corrective actions:

<p>Immediate</p> <p><i>(the factory should not continue to be occupied until these non-conformities have been rectified):</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>Short Term</p> <p><i>(Actions that must be incorporated into a Fire Safety Management Plan immediately (a week) and should be a regular activity)</i></p>	<p>Provide instructions for first aid and artificial respiration from exposure to electrical shock.</p> <p>Ensure well-dressed cabling with lugs and remove loose cabling.</p> <p>Ensure earthing of panel body & door with fitted condition.</p> <p>Provide distribution board as per guideline and put identification mark on distribution panel.</p>
<p>Mid Term</p> <p><i>(The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 weeks)</i></p>	<p>Provide separate service ducts for electrical cables.</p> <p>Provide new Emergency Lighting system.</p> <p>Provide appropriate Lightning Protection System as per guidelines.</p>
<p>Long Term</p> <p><i>(The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 months)</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>