Summary of Preliminary Assessment on Structural, Fire and Electrical Safety

Name of the Factory : **Turjo Apparels Ltd.**

Address of the Factory : Plot # 35, Avenue # 1, Section # 10, Block # B, Mirpur,

Dhaka

Present Status of the Factory : Under Operation

Structural Assessment Conducted by : BUET

Date of Structural Inspection : 9th December 2013

Fire & Electrical Assessment Conducted by : BUET

Date of Fire & Electrical Inspection : 14th December 2013

BASIC INFORMATION:

The present garment factory is a five storey mixed use building with beam-column frame system. The following information were noted:

i. Building Usage Type : Primarily as Garments Factory.

ii. Structural System : RC beam column frame structure with shear wall in lift core.
iii. Floor System : Edge supported RC solid floor slab system on RC beam.

iv. Floor Area : Approx. 3600 sq ft/floor (as per design drawing).

v. No. of Stories : Five

vi. Construction Year : Single Phase: 2004-2005.

vii. Foundation Type : Individual footing 7.5 ft below previous G.L. (as per structural

drawing)

viii. Design Drawings : Available (Engr. Md. Siddiqur Rahman, MIEB No. 15240). ix. Soil Investigation Report : Available (The Geotechnical Engineers, 567, Kazipara, Mirpur,

Dhaka 1216).

x. Construction Materials : Brick aggregates, 40 grade rebar.

xi. Generator : Located at ground floor inside 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) : None
Mid Term (6-weeks) : None
Long Term (6-months) : None

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

(A): Recommendations for Fire Safety corrective actions:

Immediate	
(the factory should not continue to be occupied until these non-conformities have been rectified):	

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Short Term (Actions that must be incorporated into a Fire Safety Management Plan immediately (a week) and should be a regular activity	Remove all temporary obstructions from all escape routes, aisles and passageways. Ensure minimum width of corridors, passageways and aisles. Ensure adequate numbers of fire drills. Ensure easy access to portable extinguishers and monitor and maintain the same at required interval as per guidelines. Provide exit sign in Bangla and English as per guidelines.
Mid Term (The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 weeks)	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. 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. Provide design to install proper detection and alarm system.
Long Term (The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 months)	Install horizontal and vertical fire-rated separation for stairways of appropriate specifications, grills, storage and assembly areas, offices, work areas. Ensure proper fire separation of high risk areas (e.g., generator, boiler, transformer and substation rooms) as per approved design. Install fire rated enclosure and doors of appropriate dimensions at exit to the stairs to prevent smoke and fire propagation as per approved design. Install proper detection and alarm system. Provide fire rated enclosure, install self closing fire rated door as per guidelines.

(B): Recommendations for Electrical Safety corrective actions:

Immediate	
(the factory should not continue to be occupied until these non-conformities have been rectified):	

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Short Term (Actions that must be incorporated into a Fire Safety Management Plan immediately (a week) and should be a	Provide instructions for first aid and artificial respiration from exposure to electrical shock. Ensure well-dressed cabling with lugs and remove loose
regular activity	cabling. Ensure earthing of panel body & door with fitted condition. Provide distribution board as per guideline and put identification mark on distribution panel.
Mid Term (The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 weeks)	Provide separate service ducts for electrical cables. Provide new Emergency Lighting system. Provide appropriate Lightening Protection System as per guidelines.
Long Term (The remedial works indicated must be carried out within a period of 6 months)	N/A