



A seminar organised by Singapore Institute of Architects

# The Indonesian Sand Ban: Force Majeure or Frustration?

Date : Saturday, 06 August 2011

Venue : SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

SIA THEATRETTE - LEVEL 1 79 NEIL ROAD S(088904)

Time : 9.30AM - 12.00PM

#### PROGRAMME

9.00am Registration & light refreshment

9.30am Welcome Remarks by SIA

9.35am Presentation by Dr Asanga Gunawansa

11.30am Ouestions & Answers

12.00pm End

SIA Member S\$ 50.00 BOA Registered Architects/ S\$ 75.00

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Non-Member S\$ 100.00

\*Seminar fees include <u>Guidance Note for main contracts</u>, <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Edition</u>, <u>2011</u>.

Registration on First-Come-First-Serve Basis BOA-SIA CPD Accreditation 6 points

#### **SYNOPSIS**

**PROGRAMME** 

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There has been a series of cases in Singapore following the 2007 ban imposed by the Government of Indonesia on export of sand ("Indonesian Sand Ban"). The disputes in these cases relate to the failure of performance or delay in performance on the part of contractors, sub-contractors or suppliers. In most of these cases the parties who had allegedly failed to perform the contract or responsible for the delay have pleaded force majeure or frustration as grounds of excuse. The most recent case dealing with the Indonesian Sand Ban cases is the Singapore Court of Appeal's decision in *Holcim (Singapore) Pte Ltd v Precise Development Pte Ltd [2011] SGCA 1*.

The purpose of this seminar is to educate the audience on the concepts of force majeure and frustration in common law jurisdictions and to provide some insight into the current state of the law and judicial thinking in Singapore.

# SPEAKERS PROFILE

Dr. Asanga Gunawansa holds a Ph.D. in law from the National University of Singapore (NUS) and a LL.M in International Economic Law from the University of Warwick. He is an Attorney—at- Law of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka. Dr Gunawansa has over 15 yrs of experience as a legal counsel.

Dr. Gunawansa is currently attached to the Department of Building of the National University of Singapore. His teaching and research areas include: construction law; Arbitration and other alternative dispute resolution mechanisms; legal aspects of



infrastructure development; Public-Private-Partnerships; international environmental law; and legal and policy aspects of sustainable development. In addition to his teaching and research at NUS, Dr. Gunawansa is currently a Research Associate of the Institute of Water Policy of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, where he is the principal investigator of a research project dealing with Public Private Partnerships in the water sector. He is also an Associate Member of the Executive Committee of the Asia Pacific Centre of Environmental Law. Outside his academic activities, Dr. Gunawansa is a Non-resident Associate of the Asia Society and a member of the Editorial Review Boards of the International Journal of Law in the Built Environment and the Journal of Built Environment Project and Asset Management.

Dr. Gunawansa is also a legal consultant to several public sector and private sector entities in Sri Lanka involved in infrastructure development projects.

Prior to joining NUS in May 2007, Dr. Gunawansa worked as a legal officer for the United Nations Organization for over 7 years. During the period 1993 — 2000, he worked as a State Counsel attached to the Attorney General's Department of Sri Lanka. In the quest to disseminate knowledge, Dr Gunawansa has delivered many conference/seminar papers and conducted numerous in-house training programs on matters pertaining to construction contracts, dispute resolution, professional negligence, Public-Private-Partnerships, sustainable development and climate change. Dr. Gunawansa is the joint author of the "Asia Pacific Construction Law Case Book Series" published by Lexis-Nexis.

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