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include a 14m high lobby with full height lighted circular laminated glass cc designed in Canada.

## Key Construction Features

The contractor proposed structural steel to replace the originally designed contractor proposed structural steel to replace the originally designed contractor to reduce the construction time, achieve better accuracy and extension. Early involvement in the project design allows the contractor to relate and incorporate construction methods that improve buildability and production production.

System formwork was used for all walls to provide good accuracy for cast-inexternal facade and a smooth internal finish that eliminated the need for plaste precast beams, slabs, staircases and tableforms greatly enhanced the product Templates were used for prefabricating rebars on the ground to ensure c operation.

Despite the space and time constraint, the contractor's adoption of innovativ buildability concept enabled the project to be handed over on time with exce safety performance. This project was one of the BCA Best Buildable Design A 1999.

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landscaped courtyard was introduced to resemble and assimilate the past hist

Comprehensive façade lighting enhanced the architectural features of the shophouses and the new buildings, projecting a magnificent night scene.

## Key Construction Features

The site was constrained on three sides by roads with heavy traffic and con presence of poor soil condition. This posed a challenge during the conbasements using bored piles and diaphragm walls. Detail planning and measures were taken to accommodate existing old buildings which were built pad foundations. Extensive investigation on the conservation shophouses' footings were conducted prior to reinforcing and strengthening of existing footin

Advanced strengthening technique using hybrid woven fabric was introrestoration of structural components of the conservation shophouses. painstaking efforts were done to record and reproduce the decorative façadhistorical shophouses as well as to restore the damaged features and moulding

The project, a blending of new and existing buildings with features and facili towards architectural and urban vitality of the neighbourhood, truly serves as as the name "Rendezvous" suggests. This project was timely handed over phases to a satisfied owner in accordance to the hotel's opening schedule.

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Key Construction Features

The basement construction was within 3m of the large diameter main wa

pipelines that were connected from Johor, Malaysia to the reservoirs of Singaç possible subsidence to the PUB pipeline supports, the contractor used she grouting to consolidate the ground for the construction of the undergrc Continuous monitoring were carried out along the main PUB pipelines an footing to ensure that vibration levels are within tolerances, and there is I services. To avoid the potential risk of damaging the pipelines during extract piles, 67m of temporary works were left in the ground after the completion c construction.

The roof skylight was designed and constructed as a modular assembly, whic of installation over the circular lobby and timely sealing of glazing units. Th installation of marble features in the main atrium floor. Grid surveys were als the cladding system to improve façade alignment. In addition, the designed the curtain walls and windows provide efficient lighting and cooling.

Despite the site constraints, the contractor was able to demonstrate a good sa deliver this high quality finished project to a satisfied owner on time.

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**Client: Urban Redevelopment Authority Main Contractor:** Kajima Overseas Asia Pte Ltd **Concept Architect:** Urban Redevelopment Authority **Project Architect:** D'Exodus Architects Planners **Design Consultant:** Kenzo Tange Associates / Kajima Design As Pte Ltd Structural RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) L **Consultant:** M & E Consultant: Squire Mech Pte Ltd Urban Redevelopment Authority **Quantity Surveyor: Construction Cost:** S\$118.9 Million

The URA Centre comprises a 16-storey office block and a 5-storey podium basement carpark. The new building is linked to the existing URA Centre conditioned glass link bridge and to the MND building by a glass covered walkv

## **Architectural Features**

Construction Period: 27 mths The URA Centre comprises a 16-storev The building facade featured distinctive lourved curtain walls and a 5-storey steel atrium constructed from an innovative tension cable truss system of canopy. Trellises at the 5th and 16th storey terraces maintain the clean line window lourves and double as sunscreens, shielding off direct sunlight from height glass screens fronting the terraces. Two tension ponds at the 1st store soften the atmosphere and create the effect of a smooth skin of water draped c sculpture. At the roof of the podium block, there is a landscaped water gard nestled at the centre which offers a retreat to nature from the internal built up e

### **Key Construction Features**

The close proximity to the MND Building and main roads required constant i soil movements during the construction of the substructure. Hoisting of concreting works were allowed only after office hours and weekend. The formwork and precast hollow core slabs greatly enhanced the productivity duri The building is the first to adopt an integrated Building Management System control the M & E functions. This simplifies and enhances the overall maint building. This is also the first project that adopted a lift transportation system th registering intelligent feature to provide faster and more efficient operations for

Through careful design, proper co-ordination and integration of the structural,  $\epsilon$  M & E works, the contractor has not only satisfied URA's Total Buildir requirements but also successfully handed over the building on time with excel

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The contractor's adoption of precast elements in replacement of cast-i minimised labour usage and eliminated the need for erection of formwork provided better finished product. This includes the ground pre-casting of 52 beams, introduction of precast hang-down walls and 18 numbers of precast do

Wall erection was further speeded up through the use of hollow steel stiffeners in-situ stiffeners. Tableform was used to support the heavy crossbeam dur which eliminated the need to dismantle and re-erect the formwork from on another and hence, improved productivity. Adjustable and re-usable stee extensively used for the construction of structural columns. This enhanced the as well as sped up the construction process.

The contractor's use of innovative construction methods, the employment logistics management, and effective co-ordination ensured the satisfactory han fast track project to the owner with exemplary safety performance and excellen

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The access to the site is limited by the close proximity to a big canal. The  $\epsilon$  precast structural components such as pre-stressed planks, integrated precast staircases and ramps entails careful planning in the early stage to ensure the highly mechanised construction method.

A specially designed and sized modulated circular metal form was fak

construction of the 30m high by 1.2m diameter columns which eliminate additional external bracing and thus reduced the construction time. Numerous were conducted on the structures prior to erection of precast components tc incidental construction loads induced by different sequence of installation do specified design load. Just-in-time principle was adopted for the delivery and is precast beams to resolve the problem of space constraint at site.

The pro-active approach taken by the contractor and the concerted efforts c involved in the project contributed to the successful completion of this aesth industrial building.

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### **Architectural Features**

The external façades are cladded with aluminium curtain wall spanning 5-stc feature wall covered with slate tiles standing at a height of 25m. Visitors to the greeted with a 5-storey high lobby at the entrance and stainless steel feater leading to every floor.

## **Key Construction Features**

The main challenge was to complete the project within the short contract peric As the building was built on platform cut-out from a hill, proper sequence of co to be followed to ensure the stability and integrity of the existing slopes and o pile walls. Having only one access coupled with the existing hard ground at the construction of the project.

Due to the high content of M & E services and Architectural works, the entire R completed within nine months. This is to facilitate the installation of lift, M services, aluminium cladding and external works. The wet work and floor fin completed 3 months before the completion date to accommodate the high vol laboratory equipment and furniture. To ensure the delivery of high quality wor supervision and planning was expended on the wet trades which include br plastering, tiling, epoxy and vinyl flooring.

The close co-operation between the contractor and the consultants together v site management team has ensured the timely completion of the project with e>

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The external façade, evenly sprayed with paint of light colour texture dimensional curved precast planter boxes which are replicated on every flu concrete trellises on the roof. Other distinctive external features include the hi windows and the extensive use of greenery, which emphasizes the tropic internal works were luxuriously finished with extensive use of marble and mirrc glass panels that enable guests to better enjoy the tropical landscaping and detailing to column.

## **Key Construction Features**

Being situated at prime area, space constraint and the site's proximity to ad coupled with the existence of high-tension electric cables across the site pos problems during construction. Silent piling techniques was used to overcome noise problems. Re-charging wells were deployed to minimise the lowering of t

To ensure good quality works, the construction team proposed an altern construct the planter boxes in precast units. Special lightweight fibreglass fc was designed such that the precast sections of different lengths and widths co from the same system. Great emphasis was placed on checking the compatit with other composite materials used in the construction. In addition, efforts spe of completed works helps to eliminate reworks.

The contractor's use of innovative precast designs and the adoption of bes systematic quality controls resulted in successful completion of the projec quality and safety performance. This project is also one of the 1999 BCA Design Award winners.

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## **Architectural Features**

This cluster of 30 prominent custom designed bungalows, each exuding a diffe different individual design and material is located in a prime district with lush ge tropical foliage. The swimming pool in each bungalow comes in different desig The patterns were designed in Italy using computers to generate random m glass mosaic tiles, within the motifs and also the surrounding walls and floors o

High quality glazed roof tiles from Heisterholtz of Germany were used for al except for the conserved house. Driveways and garage were finished in

pebbles, slates, granite and engineering bricks, which were laid to patterns.

Internally, each house is furnished with a large range of luxurious interna ranging from marbles from Italy, good quality teak and maple timbers from America, sanitary fittings from France and kitchen appliances from Germany.

### Key Construction Features

The hard ground conditions encountered at some of the areas at site forced t switch from the originally designed bore piling foundation for the retaining wa shorter piles/micro-piles as toe pins and raft foundations. The hilly site and j over protected trees in the vicinity of the site further complicated and delayed process. One major difficulty encountered for the project was to deal promp with the late requests for changes put forward by the owners. This freque abortive works and delays that affected the overall quality of the project.

Despite the various problems highlighted above coupled with the time and n imposed for the surrounding private residential area, the contractor was able satisfied client a well finished project.

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The site is sandwiched between the MRT line and HDB blocks on the s respectively. Thorough hazard analysis, safety measure proposals and logisti carried out at pre-construction stage to ensure that there is no compromise on public.

In the midst of construction, LTA imposed a new requirement that the boom the Tower Cranes has to be shortened by 10m resulting in the crane being u one-quarter of the Tower, which it was servicing. The contractor had to rev construction plan, which included re-allocation of resources and logistic a overcome this potential setback.

High water table level encountered at the high basement retaining walls tha MRT lines and HDB estates and the 6-storey high temporary staging requirec construction of the links for 4 Towers further complicated the construction. Al Hydratite integral waterproofing system for the basement slab environm replacement of the originally specified Caltite waterproofing resulted in a cos million dollars.

The extensive use of prefabricated BRC cages for beams, columns, lift wal walls coupled with the use of lightweight structural steel frames in lieu of reir for all the first storey decorative entrance arches resulted in improved productiv

Despite the site constraints, the project was successfully completed within the ( with excellent quality and safety performance.

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recreation area.

### **Key Construction Features**

The basement carpark, which is a major feature of the project, followed the ge the undulating site. A double slab concept that was successfully used over the the exception of the tennis court resolved the waterproofing and envirc problems.

Parapet walls at varying heights and orientation were built above the carpark r attractive landscape. Since the entire development comprises three phases contractors working adjacent to each other, construction works at the interface co-ordination and was very much dependent on the progress at the other site.

The effective and efficient site management as well as good team work cc timely completion of this quality project.

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## Key Construction Features

The site was only accessible through Phases 1& 2 for the initial first six month Tuck Road entrance was used for show flat and marketing. Sharp drops in Phase 3 and Phase 1 & 2 occurring at the interface line required close cc rapport between the two contractors on the timing and sequencing of works.

With Phase 3 higher than Phase 1 & 2, site drainage was carefully planned dur to ensure that minimal surface water would flow to the adjacent site through a drains at the interface. Another problem was to maintain a headroom of 2 carpark as there was substantial amount of M & E services above it. A great c co-ordination and monitoring of M & E works in progress was carried out to 2,200mm headroom was achieved.

Despite the fact that the site was surrounded by private residential properties on noise level and working hours coupled with limited access and construction project was delivered to a satisfied client with high quality of workmanship a record.

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**Key Construction Features** 

Some of the construction challenges that the contractor faced include encountered in the construction of the basement due to the presence of ma formation level. Foundation construction was carried out in various plots in excessive soil movements that may lead to excessive pile movement or damag

Limitations set by the authorities regarding the movement of the adjacent sea for the tied-back sheet pile wall and 25mm for the pre-cast L-block. Finite elen well as daily monitoring on the movement of the sea wall was done to achie tolerances.

System formwork was adopted for all the lift core walls to ensure the timely c 79 vertical lifts with the desired quality of finish. The contractor's proposal support for the clay roof tiles, from the originally designed concrete structure t with pre-formed steel roofing supporting the clay tiles, helped to reduce the con

Lightweight aerated concrete blocks were used for all the external and internal lieu of the proposed solid cement blocks and common clay bricks, which enhanced the quality of finish but also resulted in some savings on time and co

The contractor's adoption of alternative innovative solutions coupled with effect methods enabled the timely completion of an aesthetically pleasing condominiu

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Superstructure work comprises two rows of seven span of continuous precast having a length of 38m with two 7m span at both ends. The 3-dimensiona features required for the bridge spanning between the piers demand cast-in-t method to be adopted, which made the formwork design very difficult a

Reinforcement design and detailing were extremely complex as every rebar a 3-dimensional curved span is of different length, curvature, sizes and placemer

The reinforcement to concrete ratio of 7000 kg/m<sup>3</sup> made the concreting proc costly. Extensive and intense supervision and inspection on site was carried designed low clearance under the bridge, there is a need to ensure that v during construction is not disrupted. Extensive studies into the use of pre construction was initially made but was rendered unsuitable due to the reconditions imposed by other structures in the proximity such as the Benjamin S

Meticulous co-ordination of bridge construction works with ancillary works, installations, decorative street lamps including landscaping in the final phas ensured the timely opening of an aesthetically pleasing bridge.

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The use of steel reinforced concrete columns and bondek formwork for the allowed rapid progress on the structure. Adoption of steel truss suspended gla: office tower and serviced apartments greatly enhanced the space that it enclos

The extensive use of simulated stone texture coating at the higher levels of the simplified and speed up the site work without any noticeable compromise to th value of the design.

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## **Architectural Features**

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The external curtain wall system consists of a mixture of handset granite and wall system which doubled as a watertight rain screen for the exterior face seal for the interior. Another special feature for the project is the sloping water near the building façade that was created with granite aggregates embedded panels using epoxy.

## **Key Construction Features**

This congested site is situated in the heart of Shenton Way with difficult site with the presence of soft marine clay and high water table. An innovative syst cable trussed glass façade was designed and installed for the main lobby a which maximises the intended see-through effect.

The end product is a high quality finished building that incorporated the lates technologies, which catered for the future demands of such developments.

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## Key Construction Features

Because the site is situated within the Central Business District, restricted acce congestion entailed the adoption of precast post-tensioned beams and staircas slabs and the use of self-climbing jump form system for the core wall construc any inconveniences to the public.

There were several changes made by the owner during the substructure and works, which included redesign to cater for an additional floor, and the change façade from originally designed stone cladding to aluminium curtain wall. changes, the contractor was able to deliver the project on time with e workmanship and safety performance.

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The adoption of partial top-down method for the construction of the basen considerable cost and time saving. Environmental friendly methods of construction of the basen construction of the basen considerable cost and time saving.

use of high pressure water jets for the driving of sheet piles coupled with the of silent piling for extraction of these driven sheet piles vastly reduced vibration

The use of prefabricated structural steel roof and metal roofing incorporate curtain walling system comprising aluminium and tampered glass and precase the construction of the multiple stepped cinema floor greatly enhanced the provided a safer construction environment.

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operation and resulted in savings from manufacturing and transportation cost.

The tripartite consultative approach coupled with the adoption of extensive prec and good logistic management enabled this high quality project to be delivered of the contractual completion time.

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# REBUILDING OF OUTRAM SECONDARY SCHOOL AT YORK HILL



Client:	Ministry of Education
Main Contractor:	Evan Lim & Co Pte Ltd
Principal Consultant:	Evan Lim & Co Pte Ltd
Structural Consultant:	SCE Consultants (Pte)
M & E Consultant:	PWD Consultants Pte Ltd
Quantity Surveyor:	PWD Consultants Pte Ltd
Construction Cost:	S\$28.1 Million
Construction Period:	21 mths

The Rebuilding of Outram Secondary School at York Hill involves the design o drainage, sanitary and plumbing system for one 4-storey block, two 5-storey t 6-storey blocks. The project also includes additions and alterations to one € block.

## **Key Construction Features**

The project is flanked by the existing retaining structure for the ever-busy CTE existing school building and swimming pool complex, resulting in limited s working space.

The most challenging part of the project was the construction of the external dr located along a narrow, winding and steep gradient running parallel to the exist

The contractor successfully proposed and constructed an elevated driveway t on columns instead of the originally proposed high retaining wall, which uniqueness of the entire project. This generated additional covered space und exuding a feeling of openness.

The contractor also proposed an alternative pre-stressing system for the beam Aluma table form system in replacement of the originally proposed hollow cithat required a large operating space. This alternative was successfully implem only overcome the space constraints but also enabled the achievement schedule while maintaining the Buildable Score.

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Drywall partitions were extensively used to allow more flexibility to change services of the various users and hence increase construction speed. Framing meticulously planned with the camp users to integrate the complex prov

infrastructures for communications, office automation, security and operational

Efficient and effective co-ordination with all parties involved in the project c close co-operation accorded by all levels of the project management team timely delivery of this aesthetically pleasing camp.

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# FIFTH AVENUE CONDOMINIUM

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Client:	Guthrie Properties (S) Pte Ltd
Main Contractor:	Woh Hup (Pte) Ltd
Principal Consultant:	RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte Ltd
Structural Consultant:	SCE Consultants (Pte)
M & E Consultant:	Belmacs Consulting Engineers
Quantity Surveyor:	KPK Quantity Surveyor (1995) Singapore Pte Ltd
Construction Cost:	S\$30.7 Million
Construction Period:	24 mths

Fifth Avenue Condominium consists of two 4-storey buildings, which housed 7 including a single basement carpark.

## **Architectural Features**

Exotic horticulture landscaping, Balinese artifacts, and water features development.

# **Key Construction Features**

The site is situated in a sensitive residential area with only one access pl conditions with wet peat in many areas. The soil around the basement wa consolidate the soft ground condition instead of the usual temporary sheet r

have consumed more time in insertion and extraction.

Strict control tolerance on the brickwork and plaster setting out was impleme the intended standardised installation of the imported kitchen cabinet assemb the works was planned and interfaced just-in-time with the completion of the w site storage of joinery materials could be minimised.

The project team solved the potential hollowness and delamination problem the use of green marble by conducting studies jointly with material supj academics in order to meet the client's requirements.

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### **Architectural Features**

Visitors to the condominium are greeted by a touch of sophistication introdu integration of sculptures of Ballerina with the water features of the project. Th Towers, sitting on a hilltop were designed such that the higher towerettes ar centre with the lower towerettes on the periphery to enhance the "hill" effect.

### Key Construction Features

The two Y-shaped Towers introduced a measure of complexity to the tower cc the Towerettes were all of different levels with no cross link for circulation. carpark was on split levels to accommodate the sloping nature of the site, structural system to the towers. This required a 2-way transfer structure combination with the stepping levels of the towerettes.

The contractor adopted the use of precast element such as precast staircases and prefabricated subframe system for doors wherever possible to maximize process and improve the quality of finish.

A high level of co-operative planning between the contractor and the various pathe project enabled the efficient resolution of the construction complexity and high quality finished condominium.

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**Key Construction Features** 

Residential houses and a church surround the site. This makes accessik maneuvering around the site very difficult. The presence of marine clay and an at the site that is linked to the sea further complicated the construction proc BRC mesh with concrete lining on open cut embankments in lieu of sheet extraction difficulties as a result of the site constraint.

The adoption of ventonite skim coating for all the ceiling slab soffits resulted savings in both time and costs. High quality of finish and speedier constructic through the utilisation of prefabricated GRC window hoods.

The use of alternative flat slab design in lieu of traditional beam and slab enat to have a much neater ceiling without unsightly reinforced concrete beams easier routing of air-condition piping.

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## **Key Construction Features**

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One of the complex tasks encountered by the contractor was the constructic sewer that is sited just adjacent to an existing 4m tall rubble wall and direct bungalow. Through progressive construction of the sewer drain by an interval coupled with daily monitoring of wall movement, the sewer was successfully maintaining the integrity of the rubble wall.

The site was also encumbered by an existing sewer line running under anothe was serving two houses on the north side of the site. The successful diversion sewer together with the early completion of the new sewer allowed smooth construction of these 2 blocks that would otherwise have held up the project.

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## **Key Construction Features**

The contractor's extensive use of precast and prefabricated components such steel caging and weldmesh, precast refuse chutes, staircases and watertanks adoption of standard dimensions for main structural and architectural compo increase the productivity of the project. Buildability of the project was improintroduction of prestressed beam and slab system for the multi-storey carpark.

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The existing road junction was raised by approximately 3m to level with the which required all existing public utility services at the road junction to be dive depressed road and underpass during the construction stage and re-laid after contractor also contributed towards the design and construction of the sewer d for the affected sewerage system serving the condominiums and apartments in

Incremental Launching Method was adopted for the construction of the flyover across the road junction, which eliminated the need for temporary closure of t if the conventional method of using a crane to install the precast beams is  $\epsilon$  This method also allowed the simultaneous construction of the underpass belov

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