

An MND Statutory Board

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Building Resilience Group

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Dear Sir / Madam,

ADVISORY ON MAINTENANCE OF LOOSENED BUILDING EXTERIOR FEATURES, SLOPES, EARTH RETAINING AND BOUNDARY WALLS

In view of the coming monsoon season and possible occurrence of Sumatra squalls during the season, we wish to remind building owners to regularly inspect and maintain building exterior features, slopes, earth retaining and boundary walls within your property to ensure their stability and safety.

- As part of your ongoing maintenance regime, building owners are advised to engage a Professional Engineer (PE) to assess the condition of your property, including the building exterior, infrastructure and slopes. The PE can advise on any rectification measures to enhance the safety and durability of your property
- 3 In addition, we advise building owners to closely monitor weather forecasts issued by <u>NEA</u> and ensure that regular inspections are carried out, and the following precautionary measures are taken:
 - Ensuring that open, un-turfed slopes are adequately protected to prevent erosion.
 - Securing all windows and removing/repairing loose exterior features (e.g. roof tiles, roof sheets, gutter, antenna).
 - Inspecting drainage systems in slope protection systems to ensure they are clear and functional, preventing water buildup and flooding.
- 4 For more information on preparing for adverse weather events, please refer to the advisory by the Ministry of Manpower and Workplace Safety and Health Council.

5 Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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