

MEDIA STATEMENT

DISLODGED CONCRETE SUNSHADE DID NOT AFFECT STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF BUILDING: BCA

25 Sep 2016 - Earlier today, the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) was alerted to an incident where the concrete sunshade located on the fourth floor of HDB Block 201E at Tampines Street 23 was dislodged at one side and rested on the sunshade on the third floor. The dislodged structure is part of the architectural façade of the building's exterior.

2. The areas directly below the dislodged concrete shade have been cordoned off for public safety. BCA has directed the building owner (Tampines Town Council) to engage a Professional Engineer (PE) to advise on the necessary measures to remove the dislodged sunshade, carry out a detailed investigation and recommend permanent rectification works. The PE engaged by Tampines Town Council has inspected and assessed that the structural integrity of the main building is not affected by the incident.

3. As an added safety precaution, the building owner's PE is also required to inspect all the other HDB blocks in the area with similar architectural façade.

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