

Greetings and Selamat Hari Merdeka to all our readers!

In this month's e-news, we are proud to feature VERITAS India which is currently working on several exciting projects across the sub-continent. With the post-election rise in business sentiment, we foresee that the Indian economy is in positive momentum. We are therefore delighted to feature several of our on-going projects in India such as the Malaysian High Commission in New Delhi, Casa Bella Residences in Pune, the Rain Tree Apartments in Andhra Pradesh and the Hyatt Hotel in Mumbai.

VERITAS India has always been an important part of the VERITAS universe. We are committed to continually improving the availability of our expertise in this region, and our newly formed subsidiary company in Mumbai is testament to this objective. We foresee great opportunities to expand our services to this fast growing market.

We are also pleased to provide an update on recent VERITAS activities such as the Staff Hari Raya celebration and other interesting "happenings" within the group.

We hope you will enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news! And please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about any of the stories featured here.

ABOUT VERITAS ARCHITECTS INDIA

In early 2012, VERITAS Design Group expanded with the formation of **VERITAS Design and Planning Pvt. Ltd. India (VDPI)**. This initiative is another step in our aspiration to eventually expand our international presence; with a representative office in Mumbai serving Clients throughout the nation and the Indian sub-continent. Our Clientele in India ranges from large multinational entities to emerging young development companies. The dedicated service-centric team of VDPI is led by Architect Pawan Mahendra as the Country Director and is supported by 5 staff. With a dedicated professional team, VERITAS India looks to expand its presence across the nation in the coming years.

MALAYSIAN HIGH COMMISSION, NEW DELHI

The site of the present High Commission of Malaysia complex is situated in the diplomatic enclave of New Delhi. The site area is 5.4 acres and the project consists of a Chancery Building, official residence of the High Commissioner and staff residences.



The challenges posed to VERITAS Interiors are underscored by the need for security and to accommodate unique operational features of an international diplomatic outpost. The interiors must adhere to international standards whilst maintaining a strong local identity.



At the reception area, Malaysian cultural elements are introduced via the selection of local timber. These are detailed as louvers to screen off the bulk of the high-security shell. Robust materials like bullet and bomb-proof glass are utilized as well. Travelling deeper into the floor plan one encounters gradually increasing levels of privacy, with decreasing levels of formality as the public face of the commission gradually transitions into the building's working space. At the furthest confines of the office, open plan offices hug the periphery of the building, receiving the benefit of natural daylight. The tone of the project is light and neutral, with a palette of natural materials and warm colours. The project is under construction and is expected to be completed by the end of 2015.

CASA BELLA, PUNE

This project is located in Pune along the Mumbai-Pune Bypass not far from the Pune IT Park and has commanding views of the scenic Pune valley. The development consist of a cluster of exclusive 23-storey residential towers comprising of 2-Bedroom, 3-Bedroom and 4-Bedroom Duplex Units for the Sunil Mantri Group.



A leisure floor contains a lap pool, children's swimming pool, gym and spa facilities as well as a cafe and clubhouse for residents. Large 'refuge floors' punctuate the building blocks allowing light and air through into the large open wells on the inside of the residential blocks.

The project is at design stage and it expected to be under construction by 2015.

VJAYAWADA, CHENNAI

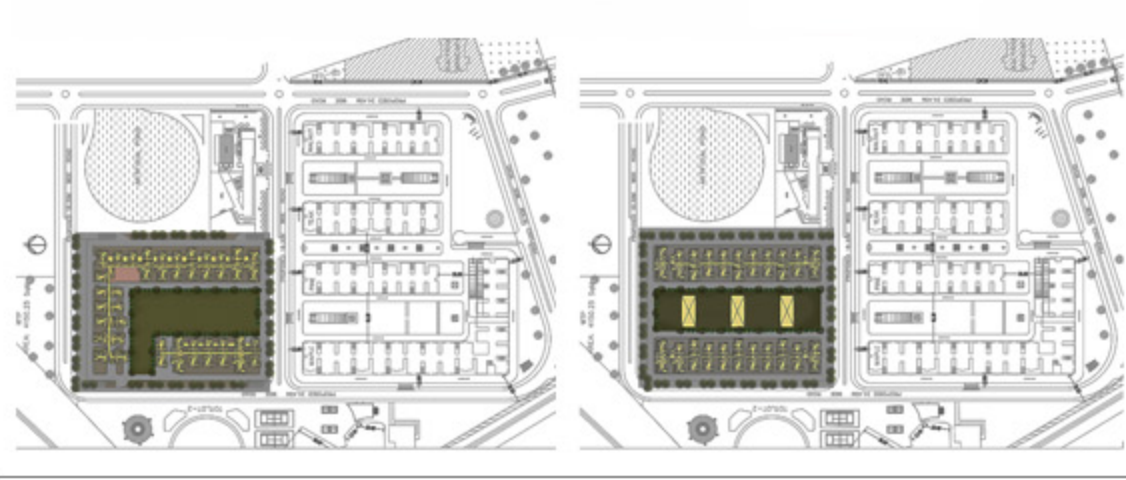
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- A) ACTUAL GROSS AREA (LESS 25%)
 - APARTMENT GROSS-AREA-134.6 SQM
- B) ACTUAL USABLE AREA DEDUCTIONS
 - DUCTS-0.00 SQM
 - WALL AREA - 12.24 SQM
 - BALCONY- 2.70 SQM
 - ACTUAL USABLE AREA - 122.36 SQM
- C) ACTUAL CARPET AREA CALCULATION
 - DEDUCTIONS
 - 1. UTILITY- 3.90 SQM
 - 2. TERRACE - 0.00 SQM
 - 3. BALCONY- 2.70 SQM
 - ACTUAL CARPET AREA - 115.76 SQM

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Client: IJM
Status: The project is in the design stage



HYATT HOTEL, MUMBAI



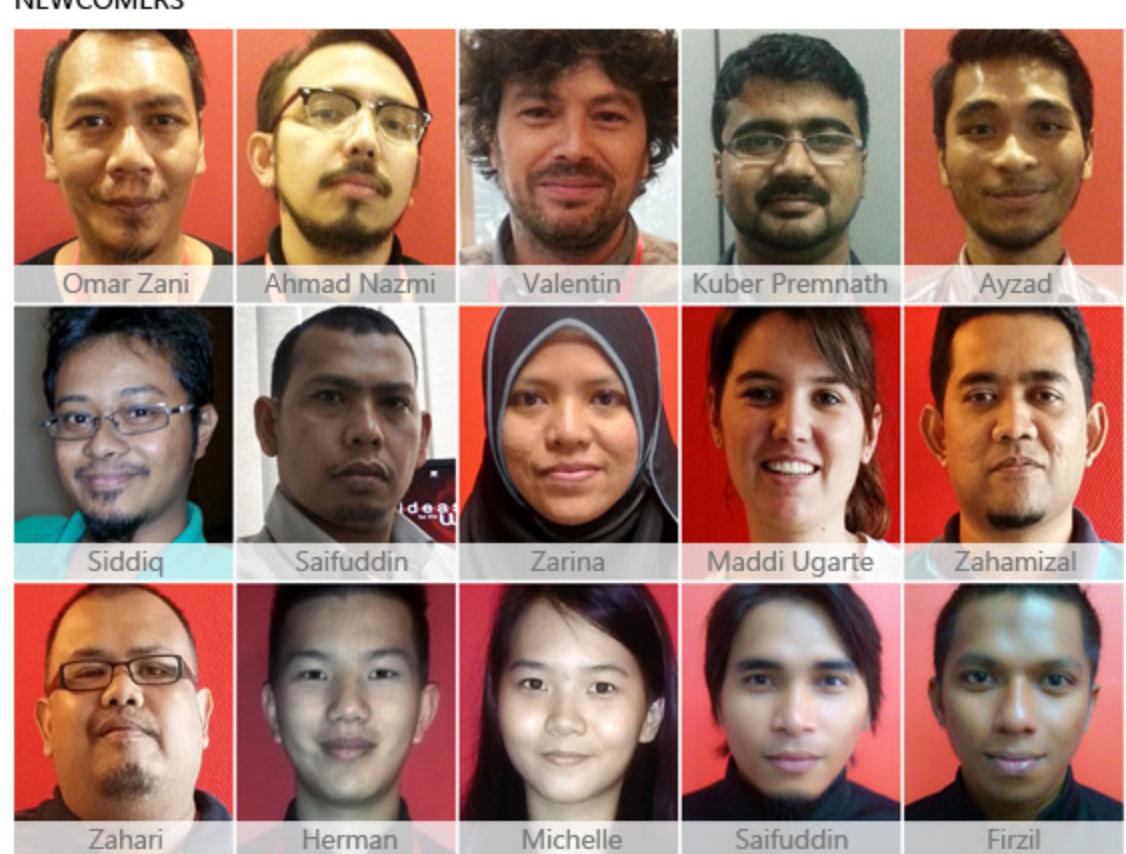
Client: The Horizon Hotel Group
Status: The project is in the design stage

ANNOUNCEMENT: NOTIFICATION OF OFFICE CLOSURE DUE TO HARI MERDEKA (INDEPENDENCE DAY)



Selamat Hari Merdeka! In conjunction with all of us in VERITAS Design Group! In the independence holidays, we wish to inform you that our offices will be closed on Monday 1st September 2014. On behalf of VERITAS Management and staff, we would like to wish you Selamat Hari Merdeka.

NEWCOMERS



Welcome on-board new VERITASians: Omar Zani, Valentin Abidin, Design Architect Ahmad Nazmi Mohamed Anuar, Project Architect Valentin Junco (from Spain), Kuber Premnath Miskin (from India), Assistant Architect Mohammad Ayzad Bin Che Abdullah Fauzi, Assistant Resident Architect Muhammad Siddiq Bin Othman and Senior Draught Person Mohd Saifuddin B Mat Said for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur.

Architect, Maddi Ugarte Beduwi for VERITAS Architects Johor.

Architect, Zarina Binti Olobae from Spain, Draught Person Mohamad Zahamazal and Zahari Zakaria for VERITAS Architects Penang.

Interns, Herman Wiharta and Michelle Adriana Sulaksono (from Indonesia) for VERITAS Interiors.

Junior Landscape Architect, Mohammad Saifuddin and Clerk of Work Mohd Firzil for VERITAS Landscape.

We hope they will have a long and rewarding career at VERITAS.

WHO celebrated their BIRTHDAY this MONTH?

For August 2014, we would like to wish a Happy Birthday to:-

Dawindra Singh Resham Singh, David Eric Woshinsky, Nekmat, Muhamad Firdaus, Nor Hasrina Binti Jaafar, Jonathan Low Jun Loong, Daisy Ann Serrano, Latha Ramasamy, Dalia, Siti Nurhajar Alias, Hairulnizar B. Pardi, Tan Wei Jie (Ben), Liew Chee Thung @ Thomas Liew, Noorhisham Bin Mokhtar, Che Amaludin Bin Che Harun, Saniah Binti Ibrahim, Mohd Firdaus Bin Ahmad, Mohd Ashfaq Sofian Bin Mohd Rashid, Khairi Izwan Bin Zakaria, Wan Zalelawati Binti Hamzah, Devi Subramaniam, Nurulhuda Binit Mhd Nwan and Hazri Bin Abdul Aziz.

HAPPENINGS



VERITAS HARI RAYA & UNCLE LEW'S RETIREMENT

On 19th August 2014, the VERITAS Sports Club organized our annual Staff Hari Raya Party at Level 2 of the VERITAS HQ. We were entertained by our own VERITAS band "Akustika Raya" and a delicious buffet spread of local delicacies awaited us.

In conjunction with our Raya celebration, we also held a farewell-retirement party for one of our most senior Associates; Mr. Lew Hon Kwan. The event celebrated all the hard work that Lew had contributed to VERITAS over his career. VERITAS' Group President David Hashim acknowledged Lew's contribution to the company and as a token of appreciation a "Tag Heuer" wrist watch was presented to him for his 22 years of service. We wish you the best "Uncle Lew".

VERITAS JOHOR JAMUAN RAYA



On 20th August 2014, VERITAS Architects Johor held their own Raya party at VERITAS Johor office. Also attending were a few senior representatives of major development companies in Johor.

VSSC - METCONX BOOT CAMP



"It never gets easier, you just get stronger" VERITAS Sports Club organized this long-anticipated sporting event; "MetconX". The programme is based on combat sports fitness training, modified or adjusted for each individual and their respective fitness levels. This programme runs twice a week after work on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a one-hour of workout.

so WHO's the STAFF OF THE MONTH?



Our staff of the month for August is Rostim Ahmad, commonly known as just "Rostim" among staff and friends. He was born on 12th May 1978 and he has been a part of the VERITAS dream team since October 2012 as a Building Information Modeling (BIM) Executive.

KR: You have been working with us since 2012 as a BIM Executive. Throughout these 2 years how has VERITAS been treating you?

RA: It has been crazy, in a nice way of course. We have many awesome and fun staff at VERITAS. People here treat me like family. I'm having a whole load of fun here; we play hard and work hard together. I would say it's the best place to work!!

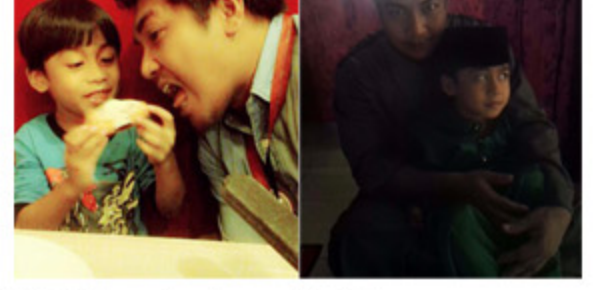


KR: Tell me a little about the projects that you're working on right now.

RA: Since I joined I have been involved with 12 high-rise towers. Currently, I'm working on the International School KL, the Etiga Tower, the YTL HQ and the Star Residence Sales Gallery.

KR: Where did you graduate from and when?

RA: Sekolah Pondok... hehehe...just kidding!! I graduated in 1999 from the Institute Technical Mantissa, Malaysia (ITMM)



KR: Tell me about your family?

RA: I have 4 boys. The eldest is about 11 years old, the youngest is 5 years old and I have a eight-year old twins. 2013 has been a hectic year for me as I single handedly brought up my 4 boys. But I was very lucky to recently meet a wonderful woman with whom I will tie the knot soon. She has been a great mum for my 4 boys and is a very understanding person. To my Kiki "Thank you dear, you are my inspiration".

KR: Describe VERITAS in your own words?

RA: Havoc and Crazy.... those two words describe everything about VERITAS. It feels like going back to those early school years with a bunch of friends. For those out there, VERITAS is the place to be.... this is so true!!!

so WHO got HITCHED!! - ROSTAM and KIKI



It's Rostam again!!

We would like to congratulate our VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur Building Information Modeling (BIM) Executive Rostam Ahmad and his wife from our own VERITAS Architects Johor office; Siti Norhajarina Misran on their recent marriage. The "Bersanding" ceremony was held on the 23rd August at the bride's residence in Muar. Rostam and Kiki are just one of many couples who met at VERITAS and have gone on to happy marriages

BUNDLE OF JOY



It has certainly been a "productive" month for VERITAS:

Congratulations to our VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur draught person Abu Hazreq and his wife Nur'Ain Bt. Mokhtar on the arrival of their lovely baby boy, Zafran B Abu Hazreq born on 21 August 2014.

Congratulations to our VERITAS Architects Johor Architect Syed Hamid Sha bin Hussein and his wife Sharifah Lina Binti Mohamed on the arrival of their charming baby girl, Sharifah Nur Syalila Binti Syed Hamid Sha born on 31st July 2014.

Congratulations to our VERITAS Architects Johor Assistant Architects Nuruleyana Binti Ramli and her husband Muhammad Taufiq on the arrival of their adorable baby girl, Nurul Eshyal bt Muhammad Taufiq born on 20 August 2014.

And finally, Congratulations also to our VERITAS Architects Johor draught person Muhammad Hafizi and his wife Aishah Binti Samsuddin on the arrival of their baby girl, Aqilah Husna Binti Muhammad Hafizi born on 27th August 2014.

Best wishes to all the proud parents!!

