

# Current Development of PPVC in Singapore

\* PPVC (Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction)

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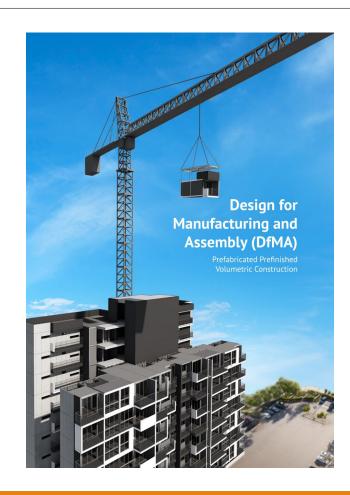
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### What is PPVC?



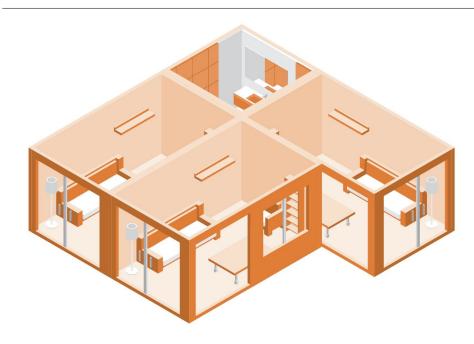


### What is PPVC?

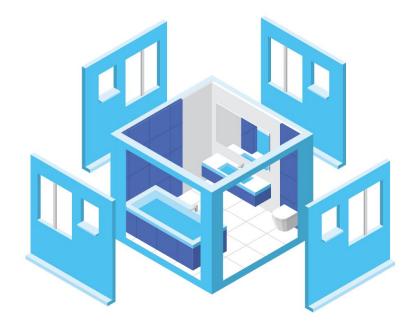
- PPVC Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction
- Modular Construction
- "Factory assembly followed by on-site installation"
- Integrated free-standing volumetric modules with completed internal finishes, fixtures and fittings manufactured in a controlled area off-site (the factory) and delivered to site for installation in a 'lego-like' manner



### PPVC vs Precast component



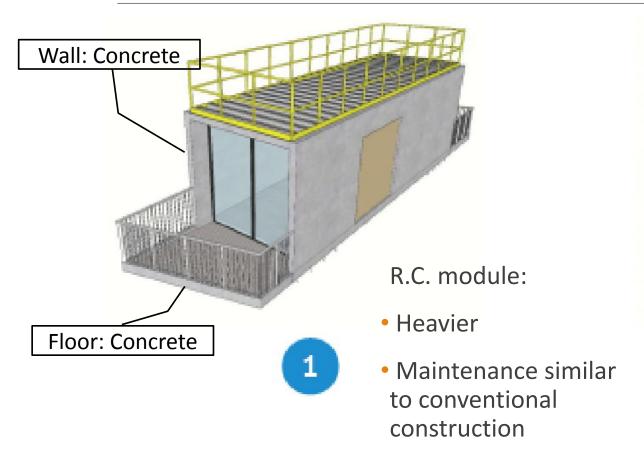
**PPVC** illustration



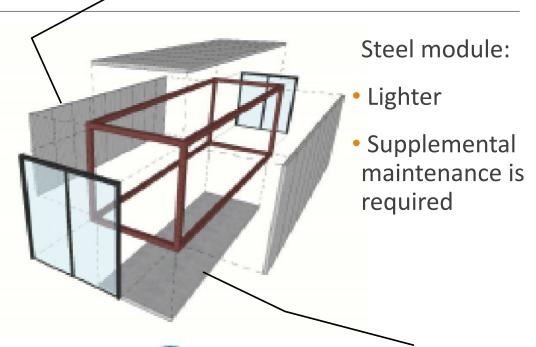
**Precast Component illustration** 



### Types of PPVC



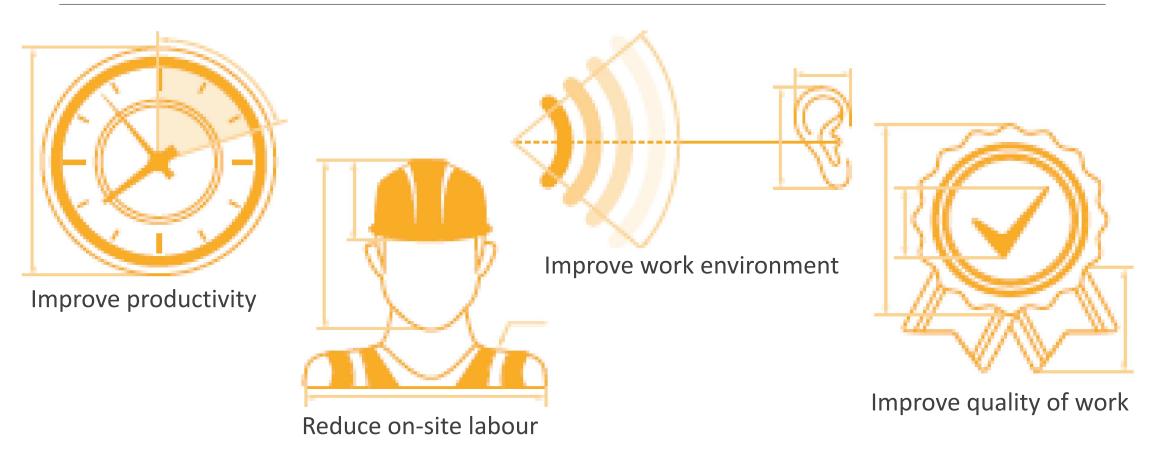
### Wall: Steel frame with lightweight walls



Floor: Concrete or lightweight flooring system



### Advantages of PPVC

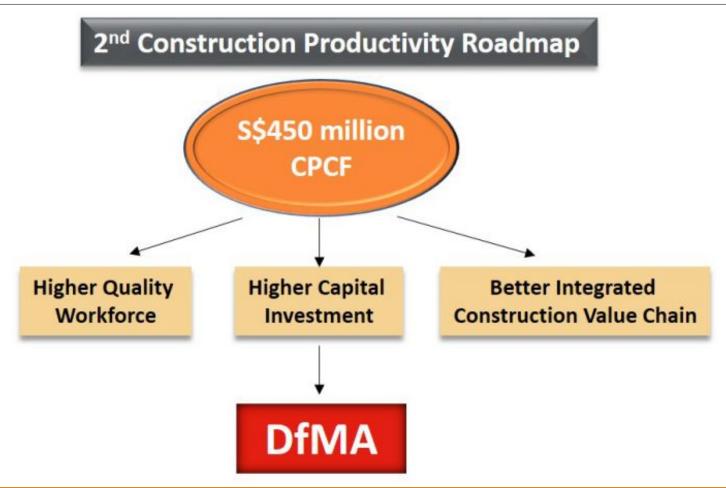




# Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction (PPVC) In Singapore



### Why PPVC?





# Examples of Design for Manufacturing and Assembly (DfMA)



Mass Engineered Timber (MET)



Prefabricated MEP System



### **Government Regulation**

Mandated requirement to adopt PPVC as a land sales condition for selected non-landed residential and hotel Singapore's **Government Land Sale (GLS)** sites from Nov 2014 to generate demand for consultants and builders.

Dated 21 October 2021

### SALE OF SITE FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT LAND PARCEL AT DAIRY FARM WALK

#### TECHNICAL CONDITIONS OF TENDER

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Surveyors and Valuers

#### 5.3 Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction (PPVC)

5.3.1 For the purpose of adopting the PPVC method of construction, the successful tenderer is required to set aside some space within the Land Parcel for storage and/ or holding area for PPVC modules. No additional space outside the Land Parcel will be granted on TOL basis for this purpose.

#### 5.4 CONQUAS Assessment of Construction Quality

- 5.4.1 The successful tenderer shall be required to refer and submit the proposed development to the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) to be assessed for the construction quality of the building works under the Construction Quality Assessment System (CONQUAS).
- 5.4.2 The successful tenderer shall for the purpose of this Condition comply with all requirements, procedures, directions and request of BCA and shall pay all fees, charges and other amounts payable to BCA for and in relation to the assessment of the construction quality of the proposed development under CONQUAS. The successful tenderer shall also render his full cooperation to BCA, its officers, employees and agents in relation to such assessment under CONQUAS.

Example of Tender Document of GLS Land Parcel



# BCA's Guideline (1) - Minimum Requirements of PPVC

- ♦ Minimum Level of Use of PPVC 65% of total super-structural floor area
- Minimum Level of Finishing & Fittings to be Completed Off-Site

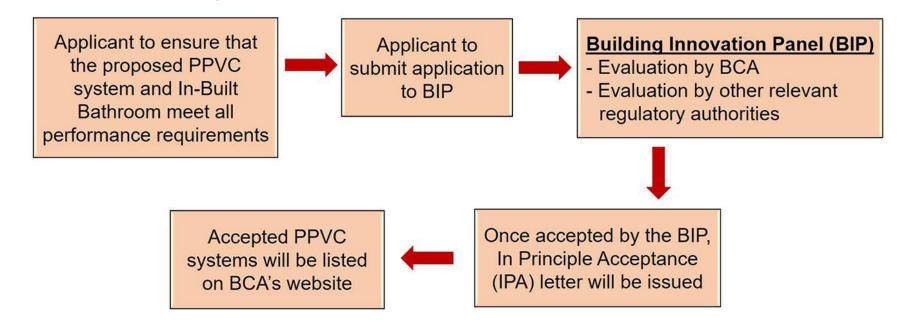
Element	Minimum Level of Completion Off-Site	
Floor finishes	80%	
Wall finishes	100%	
Painting	100% base coat, only final coat is allowed on-site	
Window frame and Glazing	100%	
Doors	100%, only door leaves allowed for on-site installation	
Wardrobe/ Cabinet	100%, only door allowed for on-site installation	
M&E (includg pipes, conduits & ducting)	100%, only equipment allowed for on-site installation	
Electrical sockets & light switches	100%, only light fittings allowed for on-site installation	





The PPVC acceptance framework consists of **2 parts**:

- Acceptance by Building Innovation Panel (BIP)
- Accreditation by PPVC Manufacturer Accreditation Scheme (MAS)



# BCA's Guideline (3) – Firm with PPVC projects / met PPVC Performance Requirements



#### **NO OF FIRM WITH PPVC PROJECTS**

Architectural Firms : 16 nos

C&S Firms : 17 nos

Builders/ Contractors : 25 nos

## NO OF SUPPLIER/ MANUFACTURER MET THE PPVC PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Concrete PPVC System : 33 nos

Steel PPVC System : 17 nos

# Integrated Construction and Prefabrication Hubs (ICPH)



- Master plan of the development of ICPH with a 30-year lease term
- A multi-storey **automated and high degree mechanized** manufacturing facilities producing prefabricated components including PPVC
- 5 nos of ICPH
  - ✓ Soil-Build (Pte) Ltd





# PAQS YQSG Day 2 Program: ICPH Visit on 10 Sep 2022









### Progress of PPVC so far...

#### 36 PPVC projects as of end 2019

#### **Key Projects:**



**NTU North Hill** Hostel /DDV/C



10-Storey Crowne Plaza Hotel Extension (PPVC)



9-Storey Dormitory at JTC Space @ Tuas (PPVC) Executive Condominium (PPVC)



10-Storey Brownstone



36-Storey Parc Riviera Condominium (PPVC)



40-Storey Clement Canopy Condominium (PPVC)

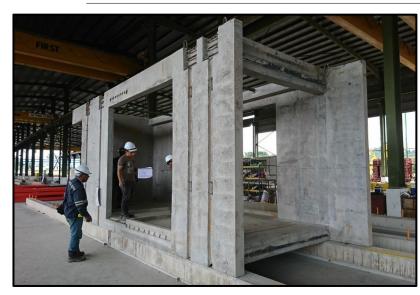
2018 and onwards

2017 2015 2016

#### TARGET TO CREATE 39 MORE PPVC PROJECTS IN 2020 & 2021...

# Construction Constraints – Offsite Factory & Onsite Installation





Structural Carcass at Factory (offsite)







Installation (onsite)





# Module Design Constraints – Transportation





Height < 4.5 m (inclusive of truck height)

Width <= 3.4m

Weight < 80 tons

\*Note: <u>Auxiliary Police Force (APF) Escort</u> is required if exceeding LTA's traffic regulatory requirements.

### Module Design Constraints – Hoisting Machine



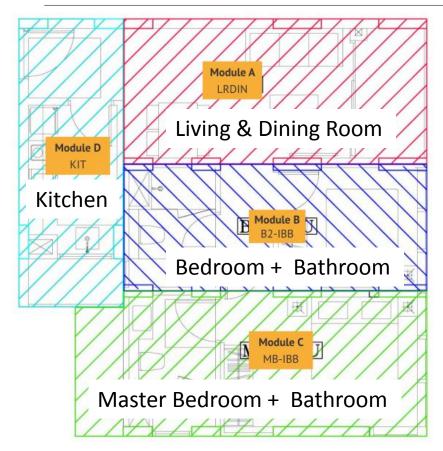




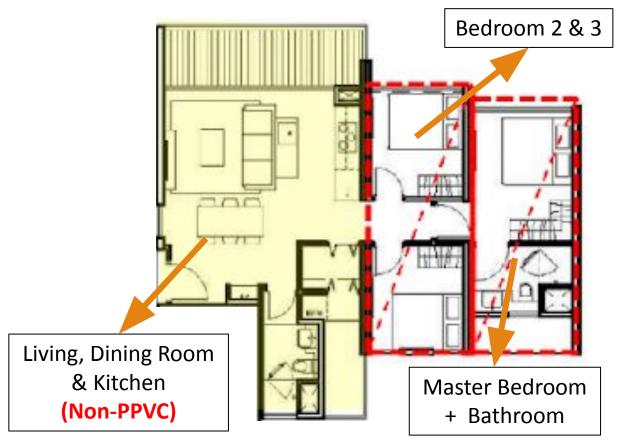
Characteristic of Crane	Tower crane	Mobile crane	Crawler crane
Crane Capacity	50 tons	700 tons	500 tons
Lifting Capacity	25 tons – 40 tons	25 tons – 40 tons	25 tons – 40 tons
Height of Equipment	120m	40m	80m
Radius of work	40m	40m	40m



### Configuration of PPVC Modules – Plan



2-Bedroom Unit Modules



**3-Bedroom Unit Modules** 

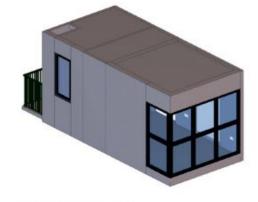


### Configuration of PPVC Modules – 3D



MODULE A: LRDIN

Living and Dining Room



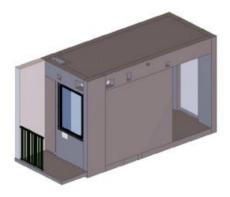
MODULE B: B2-IBB

Bedroom 2 with In-built Bathroom



MODULE C: MB-IBB

Master Bedroom with In-built Bathroom

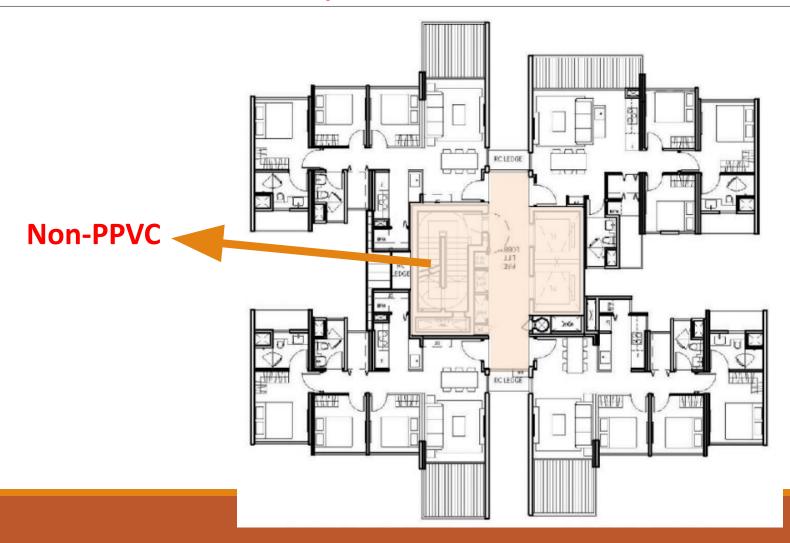


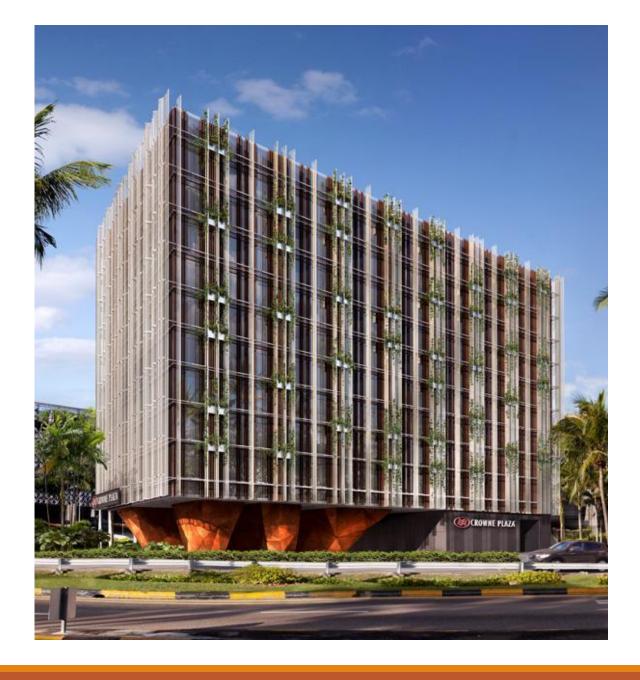
MODULE D: KIT Kitchen





### Configuration of PPVC Modules Common Area (Corridor & Stair/ Lift Core)

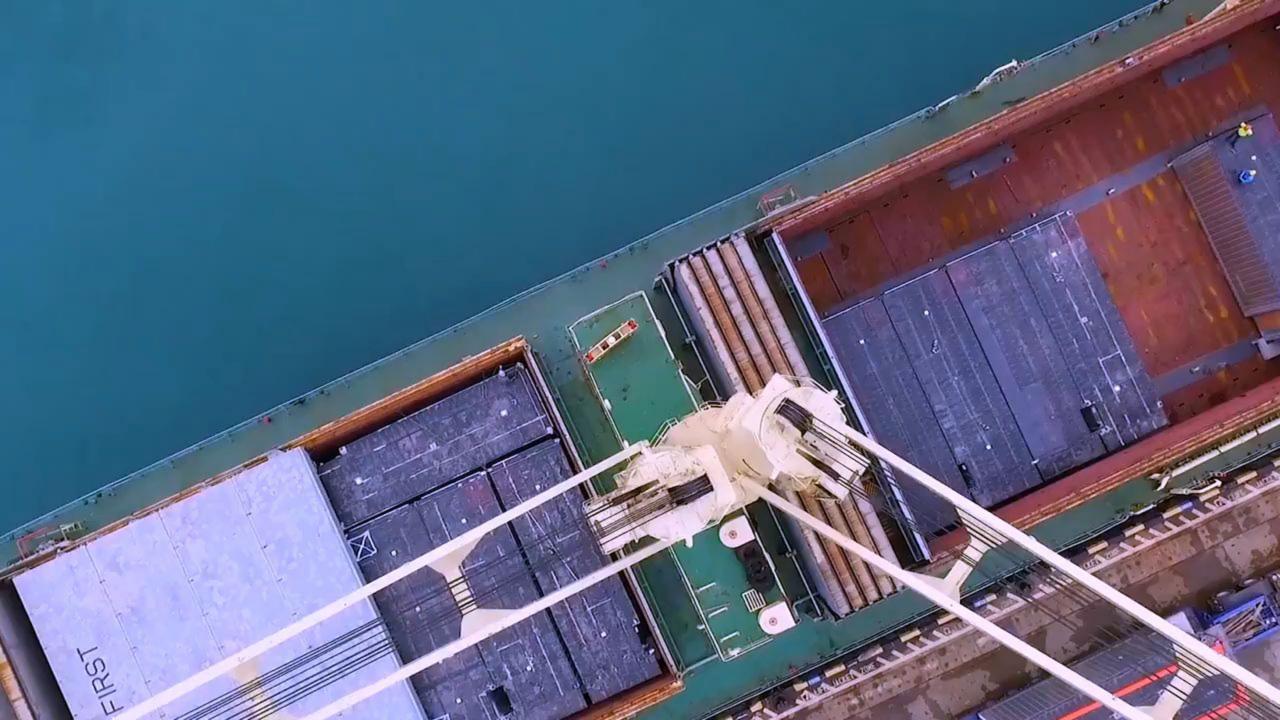




# Northcroft Case Study – Crown Plaza Hotel Extension

#### **Project Profile**

- Singapore's first private PPVC building
- Year Completed: 2016
- Hotel
- 1 block, 10 storeys
- 243 guest rooms
- 252 modules
- Hybrid of Steel and Concrete(Steel frame with concrete floor base)
- Installation Period: 26 days
- Estimated Time Savings: 17%
- Estimated Cost Premium: 10 15% singal







### Case Study – Clement Canopy

#### **Project Profile**

- The World's Tallest Concrete PPVC Building
- Year Completed: 2019
- Condominium
- 2 blocks, 40 storeys
- 505 dwelling units
- 1,866 modules
- Concrete PPVC modules
- Weight of the modules: 26 to 31 tons
- Installation: 10 to 12 modules per day (i.e. 7 days for a floor)
- Tower Cranes: 2 nos of 48-ton









### **Cost Implications**

Estimated cost premium of PPVC: ~8% (as of Feb 2020)

#### **Cost Drivers:**

- Precast Mould different module requires different mould
- Transportation LTA Permit and Auxiliary Police Force (APF) Escort
- 3. Hoisting Crane
- 4. Offsite Yard
- Additional Temporary Occupation Licence (TOL)
- 6. Additional Supervision off-site/ overseas



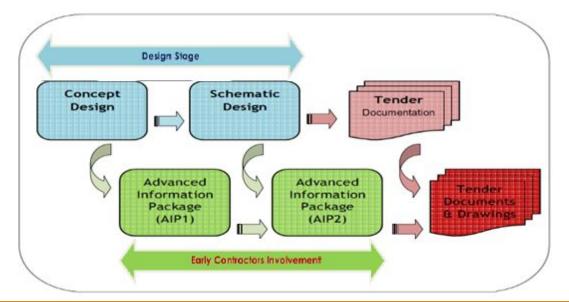


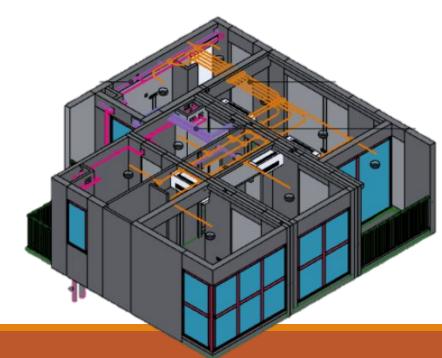
## Contractual Frameworks Procurement Method

Early Involvement of Contractors (ECI)

Due to the complexity of the PPVC module and own proprietary system, it is highly encouraged to engage the PPVC Manufacturers and builders early during the design stage to facilitate integration of design and construction process, and better and

more effective technical solution.







# Contractual Frameworks Payment

	Public Sector	Private Sector
Advance Payment	<ul> <li>Public Sector Standard Conditions of Contract (PSSCOC), Option Module D</li> <li>20% of the total PPVC costs subject to max 10% of the total construction sum</li> <li>Advanced Payment Guarantee/Bond is required</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Agreed % of the total PPVC cost</li> <li>Advanced Payment Guarantee/ Bond is required</li> </ul>
Milestone Payment	N.A.	<ul> <li>Agreed % of the fixed instalment based on milestones</li> <li>Advanced Payment Guarantee/ Bond is required</li> </ul>



### Contractual Frameworks Payment – Public Sector

## OPTION MODULE D LUMP SUM ADVANCE PAYMENT FOR PREFABRICATED PREFINISHED VOLUMETRIC CONSTRUCTION (PPVC)

(w.c.f. 01/04/18)

#### D1.0 Definitions and Interpretation

The following words and expressions shall have the meanings assigned to them unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Advance Payment" means the payment of an amount specified in the Appendix to be made in advance by the Employer to the Contractor in respect of design and fabrication works for off-site prefabrication of PPVC Works.
- (2) "Advance Payment Guarantee" means a guarantee for the Advance Payment in the prescribed form issued by:







Structural Carcass at Factory (offsite) 30%

30%
Architectural Fit Out at Factory (offsite)





Installation (onsite) 40%





# Contractual Frameworks Insurance

- Existing off-site storage and inland transit endorsement in Contractor's All Risks Policy (CAR) is no longer suffice
- Additional **Property All Risk Policy\*** is required to cover off-site fabrication in another country (eg. <a href="Malaysia">Malaysia</a>)
- A proper Marine Cargo Insurance\* is required to cover shipments or transit of the PPVC modules from another country (eg. Malaysia) to Singapore

\*Both insurance policies are to be insured in the joint names of both the Contractor and Employer



# Contractual Frameworks Nominated Sub-Contractors (NSCs)

- Some NSC's product to be delivered to the Contractor's off-site yard instead of construction site, eg.
  - ✓ Sanitary wares and fittings
  - Windows
  - ✓ Wardrobes and cabinets (excepts doors)
  - Electrical conduits and switches
- Back-to-back provisions relating to payment, advance payment bond/ guarantee and insurances shall also be provided in NSC's contract
- Ensure the NSC's contract sum include the delivery to off-site yard in another country (if any)



# Impact of COVID-19 on PPVC Development





### Impact of COVID-19

- **♦ Cost Premium** 15~18% (2015) **→ →**% (Feb 2020) **→15 (pandemic period)**
- Total no of constructed ICPH
  - ✓ Targeted: 10 nos (as of 2020)
  - Current: 5 nos
- DfMA adoption rate (in term of GFA)
  - ✓ Targeted: 40% (by end 2020)
  - Achieve 44% as of 2021
  - ✓ On track to achieve 70% by 2025 (Mr Desmond Lee Minister of MND)



### Government Support Measure

- **COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) Act (COTMA)** [7 April 2020]
- Waivers to relax the minimum requirement of PPVC (case-by-case basis)
- Temporary Occupational Land (TOL) at Punggol Pulau Timor
  - ✓ Temporary manufacturing and storage space for Soilbuild's precast components





### Conclusion





### Conclusion

Singapore government and Singapore's construction industry is **determined** to transform to be an advanced and integrated sector through adoption of new game-changing technologies.

#### **Built Environment Industry Transformation Map**





### **Thank You**

