

Important Considerations for Design of Ports in Thilawa Area

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Introduction

What is the difference between good port design and great port design?





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Location









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Site Conditions



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Thilawa Port Plots

- Each plot: 15 hectares
- Typical plot size: 200m x 750m
- Typical waterfront length: 200m



Site Conditions

Metocean Conditions

- Tidal range: Approx. 7m
- Maximum current speed: Approx. 6 knots





Site Conditions

Typical Geotechnical Conditions





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Bathymetry

- Steep river-bed slope
- Risk of slope failure under static and seismic conditions



Bathymetry

Solutions

- Detailed site investigations
- Detailed slope stability analysis
- Dredge to a stable slope angle





Hydraulic and Morphological Processes in River Bends

- Scouring of river bed
- Increase in unbraced length of piles
- Undermining of shoreline protection







Hydraulic and Morphological Processes in River Bends

DREDGE TO A STABLE SLOPE AND SCOUR PROTECTION

13.00m

-14.00m

Solutions

- Detailed scour assessment study
- Allowance for scour in design
- Monitoring of scour
- Scour protection measures (if necessary)



Berthing of Vessels

- High tidal range (approx. 7m)
- Fender panel contact for full range of design vessels





Berthing of Vessels

Solutions

- Perform detailed berthing analysis
- Check fender panel contact for full range of design vessels
- Take into account potential low point impact for design of fender, fender panel and fender accessories





Mooring of Vessels at Berth

- Moored vessels not aligned with currents
- High current speeds (up to 6 knots)
- Higher mooring line loads
- Higher vessel excursions





Mooring of Vessels at Berth

Solution

- Perform detailed mooring analysis
- Establish operating environmental limits
- Design a robust mooring system with sufficient number of mooring lines





Site Preparation Works

- 15m to 23m of very soft to soft CLAY layer
- Slope stability temporary and permanent
- Post-construction settlements





Site Preparation Works

Solutions

- Soil improvement techniques such as Prefabricated Vertical Drains (PVDs) coupled with preloading and surcharging to increase shear strengths and reduce post-construction settlements.
- Prefabricated Horizontal Drains (PHDs) to promote horizontal drainage.
- Stabilising berms to address temporary stability.







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