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WHAT is a Green Building?

A Green building focuses on increasing the efficiency of resource use – energy, water, and materials – while reducing building impact on human health and the environment during the building’s lifecycle, through better sitting, design, construction, operation, maintenance, and removal. Green Buildings should be designed and operated to reduce the overall impact of the built environment on its surroundings.
WHY Green Buildings?

1. Green buildings are designed to save energy and resources, recycle materials and minimise the emission of toxic substances throughout its life cycle.

2. Green buildings harmonise with the local climate, traditions, culture and the surrounding environment.

3. Green buildings are able to sustain and improve the quality of human life whilst maintaining the capacity of the ecosystem at local and global levels.

4. Green buildings make efficient use of resources, have significant operational savings and increases workplace productivity.

5. Building green sends the right message about a company or organisation – that it is well run, responsible, and committed to the future.
The Green Building Index (GBI) is Malaysia’s industry recognised green rating tool for buildings to promote sustainability in the built environment and raise awareness among Developers, Architects, Engineers, Planners, Designers, Contractors and the Public about environmental issues and our responsibility to the future generations.

The GBI rating tool provides an opportunity for developers and building owners to design and construct green, sustainable buildings that can provide energy savings, water savings, a healthier indoor environment, better connectivity to public transport and the adoption of recycling and greenery for their projects and reduce our impact on the environment.

GBI is developed specifically for the Malaysian-tropical climate, environmental and developmental context, cultural and social needs and is created to:

- Define green buildings by establishing a common language and standard of measurement;
- Promote integrated, whole-building designs that provides a better environment for all;
- Recognise and reward environmental leadership;
- Transform the built environment to reduce its negative environmental impact; and
- Ensure new buildings remain relevant in the future and existing buildings are refurbished and upgraded to improve the overall quality of our building stock.
GREEN BUILDING INDEX
STRUCTURE

1) GBI ACCREDITATION PANEL (GBIAP)
The GBI rating system will be regulated by the GBI Accreditation Panel (GBIAP), an independent committee consisting of senior building professionals that will be reviewing and awarding the GBI rating to qualified projects.

The GBIAP comprises leading industry professionals recognised for their contribution in sustainable developments in Malaysia. They have been actively involved in every step of the rating system’s development, ensuring that the rating system is fully tested and compliant to both local and international standards and best practices.

2) GBI CERTIFIERS
The roles and responsibility of GBI Certifiers are to perform the detailed assessment and accreditation of building projects submitted to the GBI Accreditation Panel for GBI Certification.

3) GBI FACILITATORS
The roles and responsibility of GBI Facilitators are to provide services to enable building projects to achieve GBI accreditation.
**Stage 1: Application & Registration**

1. Complete and submit the Application & Registration Form to GSB with supporting documents.
2. Is the Application complete?
   - If incomplete, GSB requests for more information from the Applicant.
   - If complete, GSB processes the application and notifies the Applicant of the Registration Fee.
3. Applicant makes necessary Registration Fee payment to GSB and submits any other additional required information.
4. GSB registers the application and gives a GBI Registration Number to the Applicant. GBI Agreement to be signed between GSB and Applicant.
5. GSB assigns GBI Certifier at appropriate time.

**How do I register?**
**DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION FORM NOW!**

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THE GBI ASSESSMENT PROCESS
STAGE 1  APPLICATION & REGISTRATION

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* Rates shown are excluding Government Service Tax (GST)

**Project Assessment**

Fee as per prescribed includes:

- 1 Design Assessment (DA)
- 1 Completion & Verification Assessment (CVA)

**Appeal**

A flat rate of RM1,000.00 per credit point
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STAGE 2  DESIGN  ASSESSMENT (DA)

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      - GSB to return and request for completed DA submission
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ENERGY EFFICIENCY (EE)
Improve energy consumption by optimising building orientation, minimizing solar heat gain through the building envelope, harvesting natural lighting, adopting the best practices in building services including use of renewable energy, and ensuring proper testing, commissioning and regular maintenance.

INDOOR ENVIRONMENT QUALITY (EQ)
Achieve good quality performance in indoor air quality, acoustics, visual and thermal comfort. These will involve the use of low volatile organic compound materials, application of quality air filtration, proper control of air temperature, movement and humidity.

SUSTAINABLE SITE PLANNING (SM)
Selecting appropriate sites with planned access to public transportation, community services, open spaces and landscaping. Avoiding and conserving environmentally sensitive areas through the redevelopment of existing sites and brownfields. Implementing proper construction management, storm water management and reducing the strain on existing infrastructure capacity.

MATERIALS & RESOURCES (MR)
Promote the use of environment-friendly materials sourced from sustainable sources and recycling. Implement proper construction waste management with storage, collection and re-use of recyclables and construction formwork and waste.

WATER EFFICIENCY (WE)
Rainwater harvesting, water recycling and water-saving fittings.

INNOVATION (IN)
Innovative design and initiatives that meet the objectives of the GBI.
THE GBI RATING TOOLS

NON-RESIDENTIAL

The GBI Non-Residential Rating tool evaluates the sustainable aspects of buildings that are commercial, institutional and industrial in nature. This includes factories, offices, hospitals, universities, colleges, hotels and shopping complexes.

Of the six criteria that make up the GBI rating, emphasis is placed on energy efficiency and indoor environmental quality as these have the greatest impact in the areas of energy use and well-being of the occupants and users of the building.

By improving on the efficiency of active (mechanical and electrical) systems as well as incorporating good passive designs together with proper sustainable maintenance regimes, significant reductions in consumed energy can be realised. This can lead to a reduced carbon footprint and also offers long-term savings for the building owners.

**GBI POINTS ALLOCATION CHART (NON-RESIDENTIAL)**

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RESIDENTIAL

The GBI Residential Rating tool evaluates the sustainable aspects of residential buildings. This includes linked houses, apartments, condominiums, townhouses, semi-detached and bungalows.

This tool places more emphasis on sustainable site planning & management, followed by energy efficiency. This serves to encourage developers and home owners to consider the environmental quality of homes and their inhabitants through better site selection, provisions of public transport access, increased community services and connectivity, as well as improved infrastructure.

Such achievement will help reduce the negative impact to the environment and create a better and safer place for residents and the community as a whole.

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NEW TOOLS BEING DEVELOPED:

1. GBI EXISTING BUILDING TOOL
   (TARGET LAUNCH IN MARCH 2010)

2. GBI TOWNSHIP TOOL
   (TARGET LAUNCH IN JUNE/JULY 2010)

TEAM MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS ARE WELCOMED
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# THINK & SAVE

## SUSTAINABLE LIVING TIPS

### HOW CAN I HELP?

**Energy**
- Turn off the lights, air-conditioning and television and reduce unnecessary electrical use.
- Try alternative green renewable energy for some or all of your electricity.
- Use energy-efficient lighting appliances and hot water services.
- Use fans, operable windows for cross ventilation, insulation and sun-shading devices to cool your homes.

**Transport**
- Walk, cycle or use public transport where possible.
- If you use a car, try to car pool with friends or co-workers.
- Optimize car use activities to reduce your car trips.
- Consider the option to live, learn work and play within the community or locality of your home.
- Consider buying a fuel efficient car and service it regularly.

**Waste**
- Avoid excess packaging and use a re-usable bag when shopping.
- Recycle packaging and bags.
- Donate unwanted items to charities.
- Use compost systems or worm farms for food scraps and garden wastes.
- Correctly dispose of household hazardous wastes and batteries.
- Do not litter or discharge wastes into the waterways and surroundings.

**Water**
- Reduce wasteful water use, i.e. have shorter showers, self-closing taps.
- Fix faulty plumbing and install water-wise showers and taps.
- Consider changing to low-water-use appliances such as washing machines and toilets.
- Grow a water-wise garden.
- Consider installing a rainwater tank for watering the garden or external cleaning purposes.
- Don't throw rubbish into drains and waterways.
- Implement soil erosion and proper drainage to areas where earth has been disturbed to prevent siltation of waterways.
- Preserve and maintain natural water courses and catchment areas.

**Lifestyle**
- Change to a healthier diet and lifestyle.
- Exercise regularly or play sport.
- Get to know your neighbours and help keep your community safe.
- Visit your health practitioner for regular check-ups.
- Think about sustainability when purchasing or improving your home.
- When you can, buy locally and purchase locally made goods and produce.
- Further learning and developing new skills are great ways to challenge yourself and meet other people.

**Environment**
- Join in litter clean-up activities.
- Report any illegal dumping or open burning.
- Report any illegal logging, mining or destruction of the natural environment.
- Enjoy the natural environment and recreational areas through healthy activities such as walking, jogging, hiking, climbing, boating, swimming, snorkeling and diving.
- Be responsible to preserve local flora and fauna.

### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- Our energy use is often wasteful and can impact the environment through greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change. Sourcing for increasingly depleting natural resources also leads to further damage to sensitive environments.
- Improving the way we go about our daily lives can reduce fuel use, which decreases pollution like smog and greenhouse gas emissions, while reducing household costs and saving time.
- Avoiding waste where possible, encouraging reuse, recycling and proper waste disposal are all ways to reduce the community's impact on the environment. Proper disposal also helps keep our surroundings clean, healthy and beautiful.
- Waste-free and wise water use helps maintain adequate fresh water resources for the community and the environment.
- Good community health, more sustainable green rated buildings and homes, and a more supportive society can contribute to the community's health and sustainability.
- A healthy sustainable environment creates and allows its communities to recreate in it. It is an important heritage to be kept for future generations.
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THANK YOU

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