

The 8th Trip to Guangxi (28th March – 2nd April 2013)

This trip was organized during the Easter Holiday to inspect the construction of the Yingdong Footbridge. Dr. Wong led a team of 6 students (Byron Chen, Su Dan, Archer Zheng, Tony Wu, Eldon Lin and Felix Sin) and travelled from Shenzhen to Rongan by train. The Team arrived at Rongshui at around 3am on March 30 and then attended a meeting with the Contractor at 8:30am before heading to Yingdong for a site inspection of the newly constructed center pier and plinths which are the main supports of the bridge. At the site, students inspected the important structural elements and the details. Most of the details were constructed according to the drawings except that some of the holes for holding-down bolts were not drilled to the required depth and the Contractor was asked to rectify it and submit recorded photos to the Team afterwards.



Figure 1 Stay energetic before the 20-hr journey on the train.



Figure 2 Arrived at Rongan at 3am!



Figure 3 Manson, Felix and Su Dan are checking the critical dimensions.



Figure 4 The design depth of these holes should be 300mm but 210mm is recorded.