

Reflection on Third Study Trip to Wangdong Bridge

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The PMSA Guigang Trip was held on 27th and 28th of December. These two days there are a bunch of things happened which has broadened my horizon of China and has offered me chances to acquire site-experience. Some noteworthy and interesting points about this trip are:

1. The High-speed Rail Experience

The high-speed rail has just opened to the public which has received some satisfactory feedbacks regarding its convenience and the experience of passengers. Sure do I have the same opinion. The high-speed rail is fast and it is unexpectedly stable which we can freely walk anywhere during the trip like in an airplane. It could take over 12 hours if we had chosen to go by road trips.

2. Site-experience

I was given a chance to observe the real site according to the drawing which these chances are barely offered in lessons, such as the retaining walls (built), dimension framing in the site according to the drawings, the standard drawing in Mainland China (which is obviously different from the standard in Hong Kong), the eye-opening architectural design of the toilet (allowing outsiders to peep inside whilst facilitating ventilation) etc. These have broadened my exposure in the field of civil engineering and it may be a great starter for me if I could have a chance to work as a civil engineer in China in the future.

3. Students in the Primary School

The students in primary school are really vibrant and they are very interested in what we are doing. While I never thought it is annoying but it shows a sense of curiosity of them. I hope they can be that vibrant and curious about the surroundings in the future – to learn more things, and treasure the toilet PMSA, donors and construction workers built for them!