ABSTRACT

The aim of this study is to analyse the factors crucial to the success of upgrading existing HDB buildings. Case studies involving the pilot projects and demonstration precincts are analysed in order to establish the success factors.

To upgrade existing residential buildings will demand strong support from both the building consultants and residents living in the estates. It is important to minimise inconvenience during the construction phase of the programme.

The implementation can be successful if the programme is easily understood and accepted by the residents. Early public related publicity through the mass-media as well as grassroots organisations is an important factor influencing the success of the upgrading programme.

Appropriate construction methods, preventive measures and effective site management skills are also important considerations. It is equally important to understand the construction techniques so that inconveniences which cannot be avoided can be minimised. Such experiences accumulated can be very useful in the future upgrading programme.

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Upgrading Programme
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Publicity
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