



Dear Homeowner,

In keeping with our efforts to ensure homeowners are informed of all progress at The8, we hope the October 2017 update is of interest to you.

The8 Project Update – October 2017

Blocks A and B continue to be the most advanced and the general contractor is focusing on completing these buildings and Block C works will soon be ramped up.

The external glass façade (curtain wall) fixed to the exterior of the building has significantly advanced since our last update. The ACP (aluminum composite panels) fixed between glass panes was progressing well, Dubai Civil Defense (DCD) however recently upgraded the building specification used for this particular material and the contractor is currently working in partnership with DCD to ensure compliance.

The revised specification of the material permitted in the construction phase may have a slight impact on the time line of delivery to end users. The contractor has to ensure The8 complies with the latest DCD regulations which have changed from when the project started. Whilst this new regulation has impacted work at site it is not unusual for changes to be made throughout a project construction. It remains in the very best interests of all parties to ensure full compliance of DCD health and safety regulations and we wanted to reassure you in this regard.

The external façade will have a section of terracotta tiles fitted as part of the finished aesthetic appearance. In light of DCD new regulations the suppliers selected for this work have now been asked to re-submit their products and specifications for DCD approval. The contractor had two suppliers earmarked for this work, one from Italy and the other from Spain. Whoever achieves DCD approval first is most likely to be awarded the contract given both suppliers can supply to exactly the same quality. The contractor will press ahead with this work as soon as physically possible so finishing work can recommence without further delay.

Internal works such as plaster, paint, cladding, gypsum board ceilings, MEP (mechanical electrical & plumbing) etc. continues. The high level MEP works above ceilings e.g. ducting for HVAC, drainage pipes, lighting, fire alarm and firefighting equipment first and second fix is almost complete in Blocks A and B. Marble work has continued in blocks A & B and the fitting of sanitary wear e.g. basins, toilets and bathtubs has started.

Block C will follow the same program of work in due course. Once the ceilings can be closed, spot and strip lights will be secured and we will keep you up to date with progress made in our subsequent update.

The Landscape Contractor has been appointed and detailed drawings have now been submitted. Landscape work has commenced and the ground levelling, compacting and first layer of block work has started.

The Contractor continues to work towards the earliest possible completion date and is making every effort to ensure this happens as soon as practicably and physically possible. We trust the below section of photos illustrate work at site to date.

Curtail Wall Glass Façade



Curtain wall glass façade



Common Area Corridor



Marble – work in progress



Internal Apartment (with floor protection)



Apartment pending electrical switches



As always, please keep us informed of your contact details so we can remain in contact with you. Please ensure you maintain your payment schedule to ensure the Contractor can meet staged payments required to complete the project as per construction and payment milestones.

Should you require any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact IFA Client Relationship Management department at crm@ifahotelsresorts.com.

For and on behalf of

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