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Liew Kok Wing succeeds Chung Soo Kiong as Sunway Construction group MD on April 1

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KUALA LUMPUR (March 24): Sunway Construction Group Bhd (SunCon) has appointed Liew Kok Wing as group managing director (MD) beginning April 1. He replaces Chung Soo Kiong who will be taking up another position within the Sunway Group of companies.

In a statement on Thursday (March 24), the construction group said Liew's appointment is part of the group's succession plan.

"I am honoured to be entrusted by the board to lead the nation's largest pure-play construction group. I would like to thank Chung Soo Kiong for his stellar leadership of the organisation over the years, which includes accelerating our digital transformation as well as expanding our regional presence across Asean and in India," Liew said.

"I look forward to working closely with the entire team at SunCon to take the group to greater heights, carrying out our nation-building mission through public infrastructure developments and advancing the sustainability agenda through renewable energy projects," he added.

Liew, 53, has been MD of Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the group, since Jan 1, 2020. He was appointed to the board of SunCon on Jan 7, 2020, and served as the alternate director to Chung.

According to the group, Liew began his career with L&M Geotechnic in Singapore in 1993, as a project engineer, before moving to Thailand as project manager in charge of infrastructure works for a low-rise luxury housing project in Bangkok.

Meanwhile, Chung, 55, has over 20 years of experience in the construction sector. He joined Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd in 1997 and served as the contract manager of business development and marketing department. He then acted as the country manager and project director of Sunway Innopave Sdn Bhd (Abu Dhabi branch) from 2007 to 2013.

After his stint in Abu Dhabi, Chung took up the role of deputy MD of SunCon in 2013 before he was promoted to the position of MD in November 2015. He was further promoted to group MD of the group in January 2020.

Shares in SunCon closed unchanged at RM1.70 on Thursday, giving it a market capitalisation of RM2.2 billion.