

**EXAMINING THE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF
CORPORATIONS IN CONSTRUCTION SECTOR IN
MALAYSIA DURING THE 1997 FINANCIAL AND
ECONOMIC CRISIS.**

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Abstract

The 1997 financial crisis that erupted from Thailand and swift spread to Malaysia was arguably due to many causes. Similarly, the construction sector in Malaysia was heavily distressed due to the impacts of the crisis. The impacts caused cancellation and deferment of construction projects. This paper carries out a detail study on financial health of the construction companies in Malaysia using key financial ratios (i.e. Altman's Z" score, Tobin's Q, Liquidity, ROCE and etc) and generates an overview of the financial performance of the sector.

The paper presents findings from the secondary data of construction companies listed in KLSE using cross-ratio analysis. It identifies the construction firms that were financially healthy and unhealthy during the crisis. The findings of the study suggest the key constitution of financial health of construction firms in Malaysia.

To
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