

Nishantha Jayathunga

Chartered Civil Engineer and certified Project Management Professional with 25 years' experience in construction planning, programme management and project controls. Specialist in CPM scheduling with Primavera P6 and MS Project, from preparing contractor master programmes through to reviewing and approving them on the Employer's side. Experienced in delay analysis and Extension of Time claims, with a track record on the £260 million Defence Headquarters Complex and the Bandaranaike International Airport Development Project.

Qualifications:

- MBA, Postgraduate Institute of Management (PIM), University of Sri Jayewardenepura
- BSc (Eng) Civil Engineering, University of Moratuwa (Second Class Upper Division)

Memberships:

- Chartered Engineer, Corporate Member, Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka (MIESL)
- Corporate Member, Society of Structural Engineers Sri Lanka (MSSESL)
- Project Management Professional (PMP), Project Management Institute (PMI), USA

Core Competencies:

- CPM scheduling and programme management
- Delay claim analysis and EOT assessment
- Project control and progress monitoring
- Resource and cost loading
- Pre-construction and procurement planning
- Contract management
- Progress reporting and review meetings
- Team leadership and negotiation

Software:

Primavera (P3, P5, P6 and P6 v19.12), MS Project (2003–2016), AutoCAD, Microsoft Office

Languages:

English, Sinhala

Career Profile:

MPG - Senior Planner - 2026 - Present

Nishantha joined MPG as a Senior Planner, working UK business hours for UK clients

on UK and European projects, including London Underground contractors and data centres in the UK and Europe.

Project Planning Engineer - Bandaranaike International Airport Development Project - 2024 - 2026

Reviewed and approved the Contractor's master programme, weekly programmes, progress reports and Monthly Progress Reports. Assisted in the review of delay notices and Extension of Time claims, carried out joint site visits and weekly progress and technical meetings with the Contractor, advising on delay recovery and resource issues, and advised the Consultant team and Employer on critical planning issues.

Planning Manager - TRI-ZEN Super High-Rise Apartment Complex, Colombo (John Keells Holdings) - 2018 - 2024

Three 52-storey towers over 10 parking floors; 897 apartments; 113,500 m²; project value approximately £37 million.

- Reviewed the master programme and Contractor revisions, preparing review reports.
- Analysed 15 delay claims and assisted in making the Engineer's Determinations.
- Monitored progress against baseline, requested recovery programmes and presented progress at weekly meetings.
- Coordinated monthly progress reports to the Client and advised on document control, manpower schedules and procurement schedule.

Senior Project Coordinator / Contract Manager - 2017 - 2018

Led planning and coordination of engineering services for major building and civil engineering projects. Prepared consultancy proposals, EOIs and agreements, attended negotiations and reviewed project master programmes on site.

Project Planning & Monitoring - Defence Headquarters Project, CECB, Sri Lanka - 2012 - 2017

Project value approximately £260 million; total floor area 300,000 m².

- Developed, resource loaded and cost loaded the Primavera P6 master programme; prepared manpower and equipment projections.
- Introduced work package weightings and a WBS roll-up progress system to track schedule compliance and potential delays.

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- Supported claims analysis and performed cause-and-effect analysis of approved variations.
- Prepared daily and monthly progress reports and presented at progress review meetings.

Planning Engineer - Joannou & Paraskevaides (Overseas) Ltd, Tripoli, Libya - 2009 - 2011

Planned, scheduled and monitored all major company projects in Libya using Primavera P6, preparing master programmes, crash programmes and manpower and plant projections.

Earlier Career:

- Planning Manager - RN Constructions (Pvt) Ltd, Sri Lanka - 2007 - 2009
- Resident Engineer - Structural - STEMS Consultants Pte Ltd (The Emperor, Colombo) - 2006 - 2007
- Planning & Progress Control Engineer - Tudawe Brothers Ltd, Sri Lanka - 2005 - 2006
- Resident Engineer & Civil Engineer - Central Engineering Consultancy Bureau (CECB), Sri Lanka - 2001 - 2004

Major Projects Involved:

- The Altair, Colombo - residential and commercial; 68-storey (240 m) and 63-storey towers
- ITC One Colombo One - 49-floor residential and 29-floor hotel towers linked by a sky bridge
- Hilton Colombo Refurbishment - lobby, restaurants, banquet halls and 355 guest rooms, plus new Executive Lounge
- The Emperor, Crescat City - 35-storey residential tower with 3-level basement

Additional Professional Activities:

- Primavera P6 Trainer: more than 75 engineers, 20 project managers and 30 quantity surveyors trained
- Structural Designer: more than 25 residential buildings designed (up to four floors)
- Freelance Planner: master programmes for medium to large projects in Primavera P6 and MS Project



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