"Comprehensive Countermeasures of In-depth Technical Assistance for Industrial Sites"

KOSHA held a meeting with 17 private accident prevention organizations in southern Gyeonggi-do Discuss ""supporting weekend construction sites" and "quick sharing of accident information", etc.

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KOSHA (headed by President Baek Hun-ki) held a meeting on Friday, 21 March to discuss comprehensive accident preventive countermeasures in the safety, chemistry, health care, construction, and service sectors with 17 private accident prevention organizations at the Gyeonggi R&DB center in Suwon-si.

More than 1.15 million employees work in about 125,000 workplaces in the area of southern Gyeonggi-do. Preparing measures, therefore, is required for supporting large construction sites; managing harm and hazard factors at the businesses handling chemical substances; preventing accidents in the service industry; and protecting workers from musculoskeletal diseases in the automobile manufacturing industry.

At the meeting, comprehensive countermeasures were debated on enforcing the accident prevention activities such as fatal accident prevention for 6 cities in the southern area of Gyeonggi-do.

The discussion was mainly about enhancing support for weekend construction sites <u>where people work on the weekend</u> when management and supervision are often neglected; sharing accident information with partners; expanding financial support for small-sized workplaces to have special health checkup; and providing data on preventing suffocation accidents in confined spaces.

KOSHA called on the organizations to actively review and support the content and result of discussion. In addition, the agency asked the efforts of the organizations to properly settle down the risk assessment, a self-regulatory safety management system and the accident prevention rating system which reduces industrial accident insurance premium for manufacturing workplaces with 50 employees or less.