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- ● ● KOSHA and HRDSK agreed with commitment for accident prevention for migrant workers.
- ● ● According to the MoU any migrant workers, employed to Korean company will get systematic OSH training&education before and after their arrival on Republic of Korea.
 - General OSH training including basic OSH rules will be covered at the pre-work training&education at the workers' home country. Upon their arrival practical OSH training will be delivered through migrant workers' employment training agencies.
 - The both agencies will actively facilitate training system of HRDSK and KOSHA will support PPEs, educational material and instructors for smooth implementation of the MoU.



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- • • Also the MoU includes employers' OSH training course management for migrant workers and other courses for OSH training instructors. The two organization will share information regarding workplace hiring migrant workers, co-development and distribution of OSH training&education material for migrant workers.
- • • Foreign Workforce Insurance & Training Team under Foreign Workforce Bureau of HRDSK and OSH Training Support Department under Training and Media Bureau of KOSHA will be in charge of the implementation of this MoU.
- • • The two presidents of KOSHA and HRDSK agreed with the statement that "Thorough OHS training is crucial to prevent industrial accident for migrant workers". Also they said, "based on the value of Government 3.0; communication and cooperation, we will never cease our effort to prevent accident for migrant workers."



Site evaluation to major accident prevention in port industry

KOSHA visited Busan New Port for major accident prevention in port industry



- • • The vice president for training and safety culture, Ho-sung, Lee visited Busan New Port on 27th, April for the site evaluation to prevent major accident port industry.

The evaluation was focused on accident prevention measures for cargo handling work at the working site. There was a meeting with representatives from the six terminal operators and there were discussion on major accident prevention.

During the meeting, empowering of the foreman who is in charge of general management of cargo handling work in occupational safety and health, encouragement of workers' communication and expansion of OSH training/education for temporary workers were discussed.

Also, opinions regarding safety measures for old vessel and KOSHA's support in training education were exchanged among the participants.

The vice president said that, "port work requires large/special equipment such as crane due to its characteristic also there is high potential hazard in heavy material handling work" and "I call for employers' safety measures and attention for workers' safety and health."



Effort for Co-development in Innovation City

KOSHA signed MOU with Ulsan Junggu Office
Cooperation for relocated public agencies
and local development



- • • President of KOSHA, Lee Young-Soon and Head of Ulsan Junggu Office Park Sung-Min have signed 「MoU for Co-development in Innovation city」 on 2nd May at Ulsan Junggu Office.

The MoU is the first between Ulsan Junggu Office and relocated public agencies in Ulsan, and mainly about support for agencies and local development.

In accordance with the MoU, the office will support family members of the relocated agencies' staff though making good neighborhood. KOSHA will do its best to help workers in Junggu, Ulsan.



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- • • Also, the MoU includes support for practical OSH training facility in KOSHA and cooperation between the two organizations for improvement of environment in the innovation city.

President of KOSHA said., "KOSHA appreciates for supports of the last 2 years since KOSHA has been relocated to Ulsan. We will take this MoU as an opportunity to enhance quality of people in the community."



Rate your workplace's health index!

KOSHA developed 「Corporate health promotion index」
It suggests 'workplace health risk'
and 'direction for health promotion'



- • • **KOSHA develops and distributes corporate's health promotion index which easily letting you know the level of OSH activity and weak point of organizations (corporate).**
 - The index was developed to help workplace can understand their level of occupational health and conduct effective activities to enhance workers' health.
- • • **When user fills up 20 evaluation items for three suggest areas, result will calculate them and indicate the score out of 100.**
 - The three suggested area are; work characteristics, health status and health promotion activities.
 - The work characteristics are including number of aged workers and customer reception workers, and health status include number of MSDs workers for the last three years.
 - For the health promotion activities, MSDs and cardiovascular diseases prevention program, stress management and lifestyle coaching will be included.
- • • **The health promotion index can indicate not only general level of the corporate's health but also potential hazard and certain area which requires improvement through the evaluation.**
- • • **Features of cause of the recent increasing MSDs and work-related stress, and work characteristics such as aged, long-hour, night or shift are reflected to this index. Therefore it is meaningful as the first Korean-specific evaluation tool.**
- • • **Evaluation format and its manual for the index are available at KOSHA website.**
- • • **President of KOSHA said that, "Workers' health is essential factor for sustainable development of corporate and the community" and "I hope this tool will help workplace to implement health promotion culture."**

Korea-Japan, joint effort to find prevention measures in construction industry

OSHRI¹⁾ invited head of JNIOOSH²⁾ to discuss
on accident prevention
at the Construction Accident Prevention Forum

1) Occupational Safety and Health Research Institute, affiliate organization of KOSHA

2) National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, Japan



- • • Occupational Safety and Health Research Institute (OSHRI) co-organized the Construction Accident Prevention Forum to find measures to reduce accident in construction sites.
- • • The forum, held at OSHRI located in Ulsan on 20th was aiming to discuss on measures to reduce fatal accident in construction sites. The fatal accident* is account for nearly half of general fatal accident in Republic of Korea.
 - * Number of fatal accident victim in general : 992 / number of fatal accident victim in construction sector : 437
 - The chief of JNIOOSH, Toyosawa Yasuo was invited as a presenter and introduced Japanese counter-measures for major accident in construction site and recent policy/system for construction safety.
 - JNIOOSH is a research institute, established by Japanese government for work-related accident and disease in 1942, and it has made MoU with OSHRI in 2006. Since then the two organizations continue joint effort such as seminar and workshop.
 - OSHRI's official said that, "Japanese recent major accident prevention measures in construction sector and research trend have been shared in the forum and it will be greatly helpful to set direction for accident prevention research in Korean construction sector."