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For its exceptional safety performances, Keppel O&M received 17 awards.

Raising WSH benchmarks

Keppel Offshore & Marine (Keppel O&M) received 17 Workplace Safety and Health awards from the WSH Council and the Ministry of Manpower on 24 July 2009.

14 awards were for completing newbuild and conversion projects without incidents, while two awards were given to Keppel's supervisors – Mayalagu Paul Raj, Keppel Shipyard, and Md Aminul Islam, Keppel Singmarine – for their exemplary safety leadership.

Meanwhile, Keppel Singmarine received the Silver Award for Workplace Safety and Health Performance for the third year in a row.

Proud of Keppel O&M's safety efforts, Mr Choo Chiau Beng, Chairman of Keppel O&M, said, "At Keppel O&M, we continue to focus on promoting individual and collective responsibility to ensure workplace safety. We believe that everyone must embrace safety as a way of life."

Together we care

Recently, Keppel Offshore & Marine received 17 WSH awards from the Ministry of Manpower and WSH Council. We were able to win these national awards because all of you have played a part to make our workplace safe.

I would like to commend the individual winners of the WSH Awards for Supervisors –Mayalagu Paul Raj, Hull Supervisor at Keppel Shipyard, and Md Aminul Islam, Technician at Keppel Singmarine

for always doing their best to ensure the safety of their workers. I am glad that Mei Cong Ming of Keppel Singmarine’s piping department was also singled out as a Model Worker for his commitment to the well-being of his peers.

As we celebrate our successes, we must not be complacent – moments of carelessness and recklessness have led to accidents. We must continue to follow proper safety

practices and watch out for one another, including our safety buddies, co-workers and visitors.

By taking care of one another, we can all achieve zero incidents and go home safely at the end of each day to our families and friends. I urge you to keep up the good efforts and stay vigilant.

Abu Bakar

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Model worker



Mei Cong Ming (right), who is always mindful of safety, was named Model Worker by his supervisors.

For being hardworking, responsible and mindful of safety, Mei Cong Ming, from Keppel Singmarine’s piping department, has been named Model Worker by his supervisors.

Mr Shukumar Dey Nishi Kana, supervisor of the piping department, commented, “Cong Ming is very good at his job and very willing to share his knowledge and experiences with others. I can

always rely on him to take charge whenever I am not around.”

Even though he is an experienced worker, Cong Ming does not take safety procedures lightly. When it comes to working in confined spaces, Cong Ming shared, “It is important to follow the safety rules. I always check for a valid entry permit before entering the confined space. In addition, I make it a habit to carry a torch-light and a gas detector.”

Cong Ming also suggested that good housekeeping must be vigilantly practised as hazardous materials laying around pose a lot of danger.

His family is his greatest motivation to follow safety rules. Cong Ming said, “I have an eight-year-old daughter back at home waiting for my return. I want to maintain my good safety record so that I can go back home safely to my family.”

Spirit of innovation

On 6 August 2009, teams from Keppel Offshore & Marine took part in the Safety Innovation Convention (SIC), where they showcased their innovative solutions to improve workplace safety and health standards.

Winning entries

GOLD

Safe Ship Frame Lock by team *Safe Structure Fabricator* from Keppel Singmarine

SILVER

Safe Pipe Lifter by team *Safe Lifter* from Keppel Singmarine

BRONZE

Adjustable Pin Jigs by team *Safe Jig* from Keppel Shipyard



Team Safe Fitter of Keppel Singmarine presenting their project to the judging panel.

Capturing safety moments

Award-winning photographer, Stefen Chow, is photographing and documenting Keppel Shipyard's Safety Excellence 2010 initiative.

Safety Excellence 2010 represents the third and latest phase in the yard's safety enhancement journey. The initiative aims to empower

Keppel Shipyard's entire workforce, including its contractors, through a range of safety schemes and skills upgrading programmes to create an incident-free workplace.

To achieve his task, Stefen has been spending a lot of time in the shipyard, observing the fostering of safety mindset at ground level. Sometimes, he follows the employees around – even to their homes and learning institutions where they upgrade themselves – to better understand what safety means to them.

Stefen admires Keppel's safety efforts, he said, "It is a very comprehensive, mountain-sized effort to devote the extent of resources into making the shipyard a safer place each day. Coming in as an outsider, I am very impressed and humbled by what I have seen."



Stefen Chow (centre, in white) is documenting Keppel Shipyard's Safety Excellence 2010 initiative.

Safety tips

Ascending and descending ladders



Always hold the ladder rung.



Maintain 3 point contact.

Practise good hygiene habits

Good hygiene helps to prevent the spread of diseases. Here are some good hygiene habits we should all adopt to help protect everyone's well-being:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a piece of tissue paper when coughing or sneezing. Dispose the used tissue paper in the rubbish bin properly.
- Wash your hands before each meal.
- Maintain good indoor ventilation.
- Wash and wipe surfaces soiled with mucus, phlegm, pus, nose discharge or vomit.



Practising good hygiene habits helps us stay healthy.

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