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### “Walk the talk, Synergy in Safety” for Construction Industry

**Hong Kong • 29 November 2024** – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) is highly concerned about the recent incidents in the construction industry. To enhance the safety awareness of the industry and provide a safer working environment for frontline personnel and workers, the Development Bureau, the CIC, the Labour Department, government departments, industry associations, federations and contractors have actively responded and strengthened the promotion of construction safety. Management of the above parties visited construction sites to deliver safety messages, attaching the utmost importance to the safety. They also disseminated safety information to organisations and project teams, enabling frontline staff and workers to get a better understanding of the causes of accidents, and thus to be more vigilant.

The CIC also calls on the industry to review the current practices and risks on sites, to keep in mind and implement the following safety measures:

1. Be familiar with and follow all safety construction procedures and do not make any changes without authorisation;
2. Proper use of full-body harness that is attached continuously to a suitable and secure anchor point or an independent lifeline with a fall arresting system while working at height;
3. Do not enter dangerous zones without authorisation;
4. Stay away from the operational area of machinery;
5. Use communication devices such as walkie-talkies to maintain communication with other workers;
6. Complete related training before operating machinery; and
7. Stop work immediately and seek assistance from supervisor when identifying any safety concerns.

The CIC urges the industry to continue to respond positively and join hands to create a safer and healthier construction industry through enhanced education, better use of technologies and stringent supervision.

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Mr. Johnny CHAN, Deputy Secretary for Development (Works), conveys safety messages to frontline personnel and workers at construction site and encourage the industry to continue to promote construction site safety



Mr. Michael LI, Director of Architectural Services, conveys safety messages to frontline personnel and workers at construction site to enhance site safety culture



Mr. Michael FONG, Director of Civil Engineering and Development, promotes safety culture to frontline personnel and workers at construction site to reinforce the safety of workers



Mr. Ringo MOK, Director of Drainage Services, conveys safety messages to frontline personnel and workers at construction site to prevent incidents



Mr. Raymond POON, Director of Electrical & Mechanical Services, promotes construction site safety to frontline personnel and workers at construction site, aiming for Zero Accident



Mr. Tony YAU, Director of Highways, expresses the importance of construction site safety to frontline personnel and workers, aiming to continually enhance construction safety culture



Mr. Roger WONG, Director of Water Supplies, conveys site safety messages to frontline personnel and workers to remind them to work safely at construction site



Mr. Vincent FUNG, Deputy Commissioner (Occupational Safety and Health), Labour Department, and Mr. Alex HO, Director – Industry Development of the CIC, promote safety culture to frontline personnel, reinforcing the safety of construction sites and provide workers with a safer work environment



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Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, and Mr. CHOW Luen-kiu, Chairman of the Hong Kong Construction Industry Registered Specialists Trade Union Federation, convey the Zero Accident message to frontline personnel and encourage workers to work safely at site



Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, conveys the importance of construction site safety to a project and the team, and calls on the industry to ensure safety together

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Mr. Rex WONG, Chairperson of the Committee on Construction Safety of the CIC and Mr. CHAU Sze-kit, President of the Hong Kong Construction Industry Employees General Union, promote construction site safety culture to frontline personnel and workers



Mr. Lawrence NG, President of the Hong Kong Construction Sub-Contractors Association, and Mr. CHEUNG Wing-ho, Chairman of The Federation of Hong Kong Electrical & Mechanical Industry Trades Unions, promote construction site safety culture to frontline personnel and workers, urging the industry to work safely



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### **About the Construction Industry Council**

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

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