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Question (Member Question No. 416):

What are the numbers of work injuries and fatal work injuries involving the staff of various ranks at the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) in the past five years, and what is the respective proportion of these numbers to the total number of staff in each rank? What measures are taken by EMSD to prevent work injuries and promote occupational safety and health respectively?

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Kwok-che

Reply:

There was a total of three work injury cases in the past five years, including one Engineer (1.4% of total staff in the rank), one Senior Engineer (3.6% of total staff in the rank) and one Workman II (100% of total staff in the rank). No fatal case was reported during the period.

The Departmental Occupational Safety and Health Committee established under the Department is responsible for formulating the occupational safety and health (OSH) promotional programme. The Department regularly conducts OSH promotional activities through various channels to colleagues, including OSH competitions, dedicated OSH page in intranet, OSH information and quiz in monthly staff newsletter, OSH information on lobby televisions, etc. Also, Safety Supervisors were appointed to oversee the safety measures in workplace and need for improvement in OSH practice and procurement of protective equipment. The Department also provides various OSH courses for staff regularly.