

Contractors and employer fined for violation of safety legislation

Zhen Hua Engineering Company Limited, China Communications Construction Company Limited, Penstone Hong Kong Limited and Kone Engineering & Construction Company Limited were fined \$53,000, \$53,000, \$33,000 and \$18,000, respectively, at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts today (June 24) for violation of the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance and the Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance. The prosecutions were launched by the Labour Department.

The case involved a fatal accident that occurred on June 30, 2020, at a reclamation site of the Hong Kong International Airport three-runway system project. While a group of workers was engaged in repairing a winch drum of a machine on the site, a wire rope of the winch drum suddenly flipped and struck two of the workers. One worker sustained a serious head injury and died later while the other sustained a bone fracture.