

Contractors fined for violation of safety legislation

Hop Lee Builders Company Limited and Kin Yip International Construction Limited were fined \$79,500 and \$4,500 respectively at Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts today (May 17) for violation of the Factories and Industrial Undertakings Ordinance and the Construction Sites (Safety) Regulations. The prosecutions were launched by the Labour Department.

The case involved a fatal accident that occurred on April 29, 2018, on a building renovation site in Kwun Tong. While a worker was clearing debris on a bamboo scaffold at the external wall of the building between the ninth floor and the 10th floor, he fell from the scaffold to the inside of the building, falling through floor openings on the ninth floor and consecutive floors below, and eventually landing on the third floor. He sustained serious bodily injuries and passed away the same day.