# A STUDY ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SAFETY PROMOTION, SAFETY COMMUNICATION AND SAFETY PERFORMANCE AMONG ERL MAINTENANCE SUPPORT SDN BHD EMPLOYEES

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Abstract

Workplace safety is about preventing injury and illness to employees and volunteers in

the workplace. Organization must actively manage safety in order to achieve high levels

of safety performance. High levels of safety performance require an effective method for

managing and controlling safety that is specifically focused on the safety promotion and

safety communication of the organization. This study is to determine the influence of

safety promotion and safety communication in respect to their relationship for

improvement of safety performance. This study was conducted using questionnaires to

selected departments with 150 staff at ERL Maintenance Support Sdn. Bhd., (E-MAS)

Sepang, Selangor Darul Ehsan. Data gathered will be analyzed through the SPSS

version 19.1. All independent variables will be measured on the employees perception

towards enhancement safety performance as the determinants (dependent variable).

Finally, the finding of the study presented that safety promotion and safety

communication are significantly relationship with safety performance. The conclusion of

the findings found that the safety promotion activities and proper safety communication

had strong influence as instruments to enhance safety performance of organization.

Keywords: E-MAS, OSHA, Safety Promotion, Safety Communication, Safety

Performance

### **Abstrak**

Keselamatan di tempat kerja berkait rapat dalam mencegah kecerderaan dan penyakit kepada pekerja serta orang lain di tempat kerja. Organisasi mestilah mengurus keselamatan secara aktif untuk mencapai tahap prestasi keselamatan yang tinggi. Prestasi keselamatan yang tinggi memerlukan kaedah yang berkesan untuk mengurus dan mengawal keselamatan yang secara khususnya memfokuskan kepada promosi keselamatan dan komunikasi keselamatan dalam organisasi. Kajian ini dilakukan untuk mengenalpasti pengaruh promosi keselamatan dan komunikasi keselamatan dalam hubungannya meningkatkan prestasi keselamatan. Kajian dibuat menerusi soalselidik terhadap 150 orang pekerja yang terpilih dari beberapa jabatan di syarikat ERL Maintenance Support Sdn. Bhd. (E-MAS), Sepang, Selangor Darul Ehsan. Semua pembolehubah tidak bersandar akan diukur berasaskan persepsi pekerja terhadap peningkatan prestasi keselamatan sebagai penentu (pembolehubah bersandar. Hasil kajian menunjukkan promosi keselamatan dan komunikasi keselamatan membuktikan mempunyai hubungan dengan prestasi keselamatan. Sebagai kesimpulan, hasil kajian berjaya membuktikan aktiviti-aktiviti promosi keselamatan dan komunikasi keselamatan mempunyai pengaruh yang kuat sebagai elemen mempertingkatkan prestasi keselamatan organisasi.

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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

**Abbreviations** The name

DOSH Department of Safety and Health

E-MAS ERL Maintenance Support

FMEA Failure Mode Effect Analysis

FTA Fault Tree Analysis

NIOSH National Institute of Safety and Health

OSH Occupational Safety and Health

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Act

SOCSO Social Security Organization

WHO World Health Organization

### **CHAPTER ONE**

### INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Background of the Study

Safety is an ever present concern within the population. Most individuals seek safety by all means and some with considerable. Therefore safety improvement, as an explicit goal, can be a powerful mobilizing force. It is important to develop an enabling approach to facilitate the achievement of safety standard at workplace. As govern by law of Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA, 1994), the objective of act is to promote an occupational environment for persons at work, which is adapted to their physiological and psychological needs. Employees have the right to a safe workplace free any dangers to themselves and their co-workers. The Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) is the government agency in charge of setting standards, providing information and training to employees and employers, and generally making sure workers stays safe and healthy.

Many approaches are used in the field of safety promotion and injury prevention. These approaches attract different followers, often based on their occupation, sector and country of origin. Each group uses a specific vocabulary and may have very different ways of understanding reality, as well as of designing interventions and putting them to place. Yet, all are working toward the same goal to enhance safety performance at workplace.

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