

Contractors fined for violation of safety legislation

Hip Hing Construction Company Limited, Hop Hing Construction & Engineering (HK) Co Ltd and Ching Yang Engineering Company Limited were fined \$75,000, \$86,000 and \$72,000 respectively at Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts today (June 1) 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 September 12, 2017, on a construction site in Tseung Kwan O. While a worker was carrying out metal work on a bamboo scaffold that was erected on a ramp to cover a void, the scaffold suddenly displaced and tilted. The worker fell about 10 metres through the void to the ground and sustained serious bodily injury. He was admitted to hospital and passed away on the same day.