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MRT CORP APPOINTS DNV GL TO INVESTIGATE INCIDENT AT FORMER RRI SITE

KUALA LUMPUR, 29 AUGUST 2014: Mass Rapid Transit Corporation Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) has appointed European certification giant DNV GL to investigate the fatal incident on 18 August, as MRT Corp intensifies its investigations.

"As I said on 19 August, we will leave no stone unturned in finding the root causes of this incident. We must ensure that the responsible parties be brought to book, and more importantly, identify the weaknesses that allowed the tragedy to unfold," says Datuk Wira Azhar Abdul Hamid, CEO of MRT Corp.

DNV GL's task will include reviewing documentation and procedures, and provide inputs on how to improve the same. Two DNV GL personnel are currently in Malaysia conducting interviews and site checks. The report is expected to be issued within the first week of September.

"This review exercise is separate and in addition to the report currently being drawn up by Department of Safety and Health (DOSH). This will and should complement the DOSH report," added Azhar.

Azhar says apart from finding the root causes and to allocate responsibility and accountability for the incident, MRT Corp wants to achieve several things with the report.

"One, we want the report to benefit the construction industry. The findings must be used by the authorities to set new standards for the construction industry. If we are honest about it, there are areas where the industry needs to improve on. The incident on 18 August must be the catalyst for the industry to move forward with better and higher standards."

"Two, the public needs to be able to be reassured on the safety of MRT worksites. I fully intend to make the report public so that the public can see what needs to be done. They deserve this reassurance," explains Azhar.

Azhar says the past needs to be a huge learning curve for the industry.

"I cannot change the past, which I regret immensely. But we can all influence the future, and I for one fully intend to ensure we do all we can to achieve this," says Azhar.



The incident on August 18 saw Bangladeshis Mohamad Faruk Khan, Mohammad Alauddin Mollik and Mohammad Elahi Hossain die as the platform deck toppled and crushed them. Their remains were repatriated to Dhaka on 21 August.

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