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ABSTRACT

Safety issue in workplace is an urgent problem nowadays, because of unsafe conditions are occurring daily work in the company especially in the manufacturing sector. Studies show that about 90% of accidents occur because of unsafe behavior and human errors. Even if workers do not have the right knowledge, attitude and behavior toward safety measures in a safe workplace, all efforts for an accident-free workplace will be in vain. This study aims is to determine the effectiveness of current safety program and recommend to built up safety training program on behavioral safety, the basis for accident reduction in one typical local big company in manufacturing and erection sector.

This descriptive cross- sectional study was carried out on workers/ managers in LILAMA 69-2 company. A sample size of 394 was randomly selected. Data collection tool was a researcher –made questionnaire. Data was analyzed using Excel.

With the findings from the study about the causes leading to accident, safety attitude and safety climate, workplace safety behaviors, the researcher believe to help the company management and also other local similar enterprises to improve safety program especially with launching Behavior Based Safety training program and finally to improve accident rate in workplace.

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Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background:

Safety behavior presents a paradox to practitioners and researchers alike because contrary to the assumption that self-preservation overrides other motives (Maslow, 1970), careless behavior prevails during many routine jobs, making safe behavior an ongoing managerial challenge. Studies in Industrial countries showed that about 90% of accidents occur because of unsafe behavior and human errors and only 10% of those belong to unsuitable workplace and equipment (FGhofranipour, Iranian J Publ Health, Vol. 38, No 2,2009,pp125). Even if workers do not have the right knowledge, attitude and behavior toward safety measures in a safe workplace, all efforts for an accident-free workplace will be in vain.. Clearly, therefore, safe behavior in routine work poses managerial challenges.

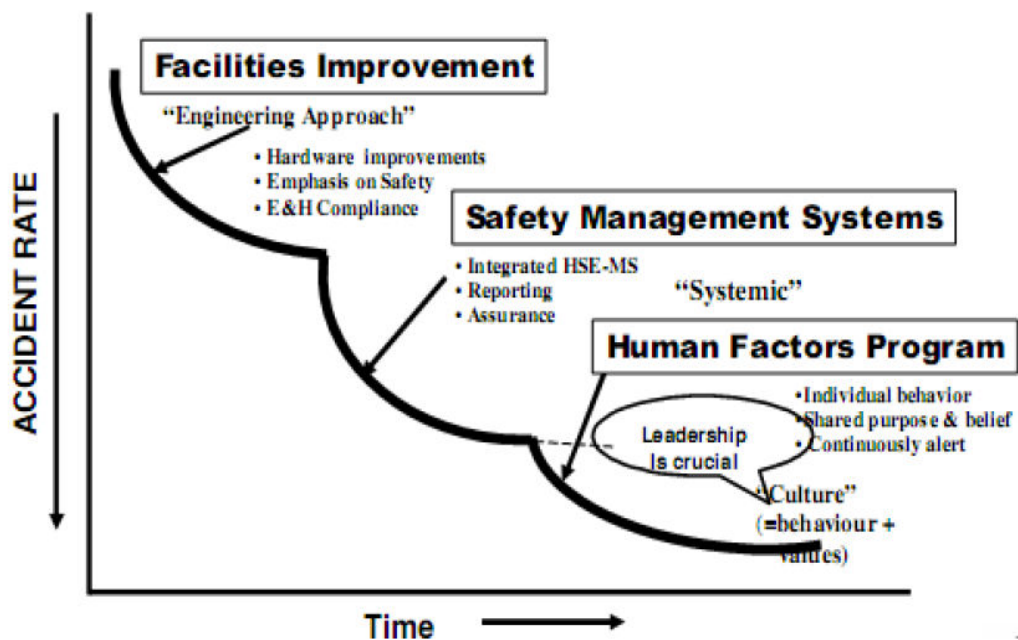


Figure 1.1

From the graph, we can see that the causes lead to the accident has been changed follows the time, from high rate on engineering approach to system it's self and now a day human factor is the most contribution to accident causes. Changing the behavior of employee is challenge of manager.

In case of Vietnam, occupational accident is a very important issue in industries, especially in recent years the number of occupational accidents occurring more and more as Industry is growing.

Also, according to the report of the MOLISA (Ministry of labor, invalid and social affair), the material damage caused by occupational accidents occurring in the first 6 months of 2011 (expenses relating to medicine, funeral, compensations for families of deaths and injury, ...) was 143.331.800.000 vnd (2.62 times increase over the same period in 2010), damage to property was 17.609.900.000 vnd (7.89 times increase over the same period in 2010).

Also, according this report the causes of workplace accidents due to no training in occupational safety for employees (7.8%), equipment is not safe (3.15%), not equipped with personal protective equipment for workers (1.39%), no procedures, safety measures (3.49%). Thus more then 80% of accidents occur which are attributable to human factors. That is the attitude, knowledge, behavior of workers for safe work

With the purpose of this study, the author considers to have the research on one typical local big company on the field of production and erection in Hanoi area. The result of the study and recommendations could apply to others on the same field and area.