

► Asian Workers' Compensation Association Technical Seminar on Employment Injury Benefits for Migrant Workers

Background

Asia is growing. Economic growth has created more jobs. Population growth has increased the labour supply. Globalization has increased labour mobility.

Asia has become smaller. More people spend time abroad. More businesses invest and create jobs abroad. More workers find jobs abroad.

Asian countries have extended social protection coverage. The ILO has just released new data in the World Social Protection Report 2024-2026. The Asia and Pacific region show the highest coverage growth in the world, from 39% to 54% over the last nine years from 2015 to 2023. This could not have been achieved without tireless efforts of Social Security Institutions in your countries.

Social protection is key to maintaining growth, promoting decent work, and mitigating adverse impacts. The traditional role of the States was to protect their citizens, workers, and their families in their territories. Globalization and labour mobility now require the States to protect their citizens abroad and foreign workers in their territories.

The progress of social protection is uneven in the region. Some countries have advanced social protection. Others have no or limited coverage. The States have new tasks to protect their citizens working abroad, where social protection is limited.

Social security agreements with destination countries may become more important than ever. That is to prevent migrant workers abroad from paying contributions twice to their own countries and destination countries; and to allow migrant workers abroad to continue paying contributions to pension and accumulating pension entitlement.

Objective

This meeting aims to:

1. Facilitate knowledge sharing among employment injury benefit experts in the region;
2. Stock-take knowledge and experience about policy, administration, and operation of employment injury benefit; and
3. Promote discussion on effectiveness and emerging challenges of employment injury benefit.

Date and venue

8 October 2024 at Plaza BP Jamsostek, Jakarta

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Participants

- Cambodia, National Social Security Fund (NSSF)
- Indonesia, BPJS Employment (BPJS-TK)
- Lao PDR, Lao Social Security Organization (LSSO)
- Lao PDR, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare (MOLSW)

- ▶ Malaysia, Social Security Organization (SOCSO)
- ▶ Mongolia, General Authority for Social Insurance (GASI)
- ▶ Philippines, Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC)
- ▶ Philippines, Social Security System (SSS)
- ▶ Republic of Korea, Korea Workers' Compensation & Welfare Service (COMWEL)
- ▶ Sri Lanka, Department of Labour (DOL)
- ▶ Sri Lanka, Office of the Commissioner for Workmens' Compensation (OCWC)
- ▶ Thailand, Social Security Office (SSO)
- ▶ Viet Nam, Vietnam Social Security (VSS)

Programme – 8 October 2024

Time	Programme
08:00 – 08.30	Registration
08.30 – 09.00	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ TBC, Master of Ceremony (5) ▶ Ms Simrin Singh, Country Director, ILO (5) ▶ Mr Park Jongkil, President AWCA, COMWELL (5) ▶ Mr Anggoro Eko Cahyo, President Director, BPJS-TK (5)
09.00 – 09.30	Photo Group Session and Coffee Break
09.30 – 11.30	International standards, practices, and social security agreements & Asian trends, approaches, and guidance Key topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International standards - Unilateral, bilateral, multilateral social security agreements - Principles and practices - Application of labour standards (e.g. OSH) - Employers' liability scheme in the absence of social security benefits - Application of international standards in the region - Trends of national legal and policy framework to protect migrant workers in the region Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ International standards and unilateral, bilateral, multilateral social security agreements and the feasibility to extend Social Security for Migrant Workers (25) Mr Andre Gama, Social Protection Programme Manager, ILO-Hanoi, Viet Nam ▶ Trends, guidance, and social security portability in the ASEAN region (30) Mr Ippei Tsuruga, Social Protection Programme Manager, ILO-Jakarta, Indonesia ▶ Employment Injury Insurance and Migrant Workers in Korea: Challenges and Solutions (30) Ms Kyounghee Chong, Social Security Expert, ILO-Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific and COMWEL, Thailand ▶ Q & A and discussion (35) Moderator: Mr Simon Brimblecombe, Chief Technical Advisor & Head of Regional Actuarial Unit, ILO-DWT-Bangkok, Thailand
11.30 – 13.00	Lunch

13.00 – 14.30	<p>Social Security Coordination and Portability for Migrant Workers</p> <p>Key topic: Establishing mechanisms through which social security systems can work together to achieve mutually agreed objectives while maintaining and respecting the separate rules and definitions of each system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Extending social security to migrant workers abroad: Indonesia experience (20) Roswita Nilakurnia, Director of Services, BPJS Ketenagakerjaan ▶ Innovative Approaches to Social Security for Migrant Workers: Lessons from Malaysia (20) TBC, Malaysia, SOCSO ▶ Recent policy reforms to extend social security to Migrant workers in Philippines, through Social Security Agreement (20) TBC, Philippines, ▶ Q & A and discussion (30) <p>Moderator: Woro Ariyandini, Deputy Director of Program and Policy Benefit BPJS Ketenagakerjaan</p>
14.30	Closing remarks

Language

English and Indonesian

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