

INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY SAFETY COUNCIL

A study of safety portal sites to promote exchange and practical application of information among employees

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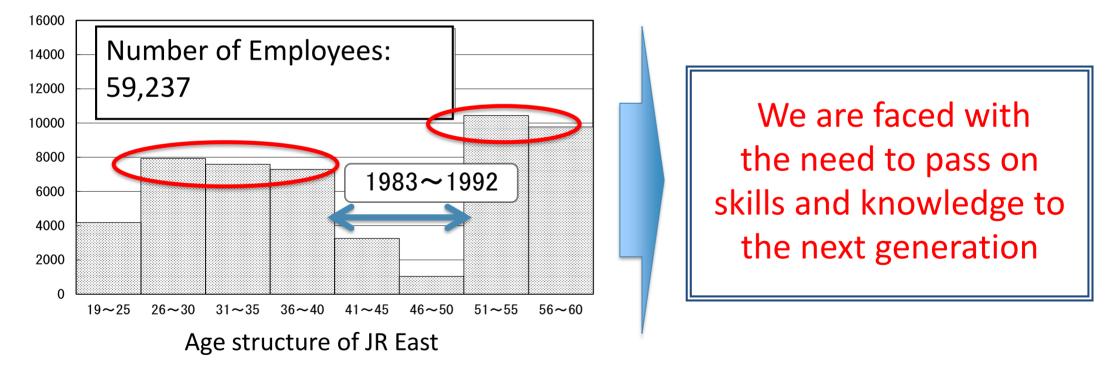


Personnel organization in JR East

OHollowed-out bipolar structure of old and young employees without an intermediate generation

This was caused by business failure of our predecessor, Japanese National Railways

 \rightarrow The company had to stop hiring new employees for a period of time between 1983 and 1992





Change in the way of thinking about safety

OJapanese National Railways

Crown company (Under the supervision of the Japanese government)

Uniform management

Does not respond to technical measures flexibly or quickly

Bureaucratic safety culture

Top-down management



OEast Japan Railway Company (JR East)

Privatized rail firm (Administration of voluntary independence)

Community-based management

Responds to technical measures flexibly and quickly

Safety culture, including front-line employees

Both top-down and bottom-up are important

OSafety culture in JR East

We think a safety culture can be fostered using both top-down and bottom-up approaches

Top-down approach by managers

Safety vision

Teaching of the rules... etc.

Bottom-up activities by front-line employees



On-site wisdom and experience

Employees solve problems autonomously

OChallenge Safety (CS) campaign

The challenge of further improving safety levels, rather than just passively maintaining safety

The merit of the CS campaign

- Employees can catch imminent problems
- Employees can feel empowered to "think and act for themselves"

∼ Result of the CS campaign ~
 Employees acted on their own initiative during the Great
 East Japan Earthquake, which occurred on March 11, 2011.
 → They performed an appropriate and safe evacuation

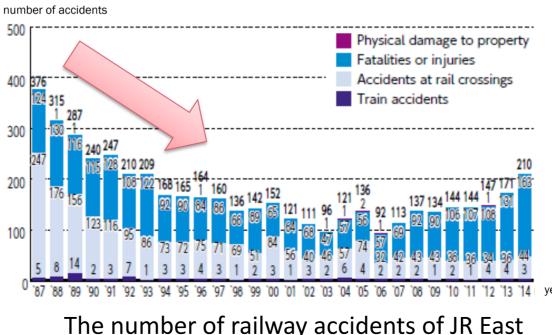


OJR East: Safety has been our top management priority

The introduction of technical measures

The creation of a safety culture

The number of railway accidents has decreased



...and so on



ie number of railway accidents of JR

 OPass on skills and knowledge to the next generation
 OImprove safety awareness



In an effort to solve these problems,

our company has developed a safety portal site on the intranet



Top screen of the safety portal site

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O The purpose of the safety portal site
 "Platform for safety-related information"
 →To facilitate the sharing of safety-related information

OBrowsing the safety portal site



Employees can browse the contents of the site on their own PCs



The safety portal site has the following concrete contents

Information about accidents and incidents

- •Safety rules and manuals
- Analyses of accidents and incidents
- Information about the human factor



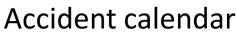
Information about accidents and incidents: "Accident calendar"

Extracts significant railway accidents from the past 366 days Presents a summary of the accidents that occurred on any given day



★Learn a lesson about the accident
 ★Use it as teaching material for a study session







Safety rules and manuals: "A manual for major earthquakes"

- ★Employees learn the rules in study sessions at each workplace
 ★Employees utilize the rules as needed
- Various rules and manuals are located on the site

(official regulations about the railway, manuals for each system, and so on)

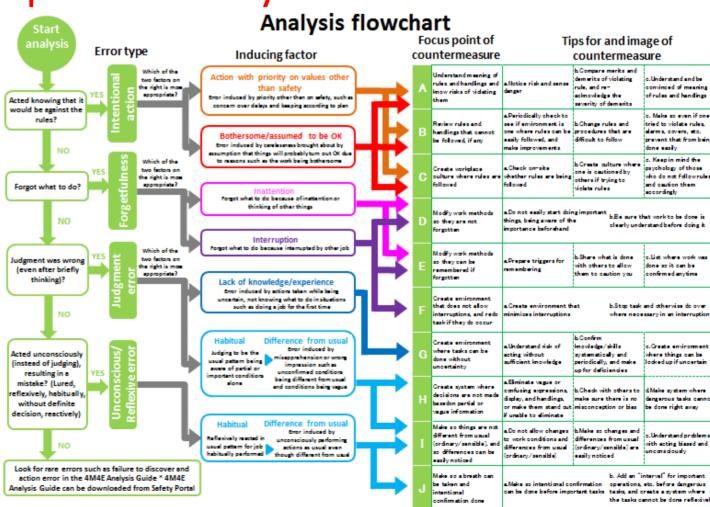
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|---|---|
| 支社エリア内において豊度6回以上の地震(大 地震)が発生した場合、5つの基本的な考え方 を基に行動します。(東京30km)裏で発生した | 家族の安否を確認し救助活動等 への体制を整えます。 |
| 場合は、東京・横浜・ハ王子・大宮・千葉支社を同 一支社とみなします) | 2 社員一人ひとりがマニュアルに 従って、自律的に行動します。 |
| 非被災支社等は応援要請に備えて連絡がとれ る体制を整えます。 | 3 人命救助を優先し、グループ会社 全体で72時間以内に最大限の救 助活動を行います。 |
| 東京30km圖 東京都 - 東京23家,武蔵野市,三座市,小金 井市、立川市,日野市、固立市,小平市, 国分寺市,多律市,町田市,八王子市, 府中市,清瀬市,福城市,東村山市, 昭島市 | お客さまはもとより破災した社員・ 家族も救助の対象として対応します。 初助にあたっては、以下のことに ついて最優先に対応する。 朝における対応 原社員は、自駅の安全確認を行い、 お客さまの安全確保を冒優先します。 朝車における対応 根単中の理想目標においては、列車内の |
| | |
| 3時 玉 長 一 永水注意,川口市,高水,而沢水,越谷水, 三相称,朝政丸,前自市,戸田水,吉川市 方 始 長 一 除手力 | お客さまの安全確保を最優先します。 ●駅以外のその他督所における対応 その他習所の社員は、被害状況を把握し、 |
| 2012年6月 | 被害甚大箇所への救援を最優先します。 |

Portable manual for major earthquakes



Analysis of accidents and incidents:
"A support tool to help employees learn lessons from incidents experienced by others"

★Imaging to replace others' accidents with own accidents





Analysis of accidents and incidents:

"A method of image training for irregular situations"

Discussion of factors to be considered in order to make the best decision in a given situation

Example situation

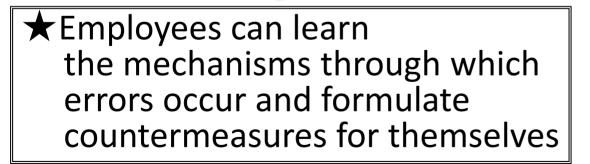
The train stopped at a red signal in a tunnel, and, at the same time, smoke arose in a cabin. A few passengers were trying to open the door and escape. <u>Will you stop them?</u>





Provision of information about the human factor:
 "The educational program about human error"

Employees experience human error using this program





An example of an educational program about human error



 OInformation from the safety portal site has contributed to the promotion of the CS campaign
 →The CS campaign has spread widely throughout the company



In order to support information exchange about the CS campaign among workplaces

JR East established a "safety bulletin board" on its safety portal site

 Bilateral communication among different employees in different workplaces

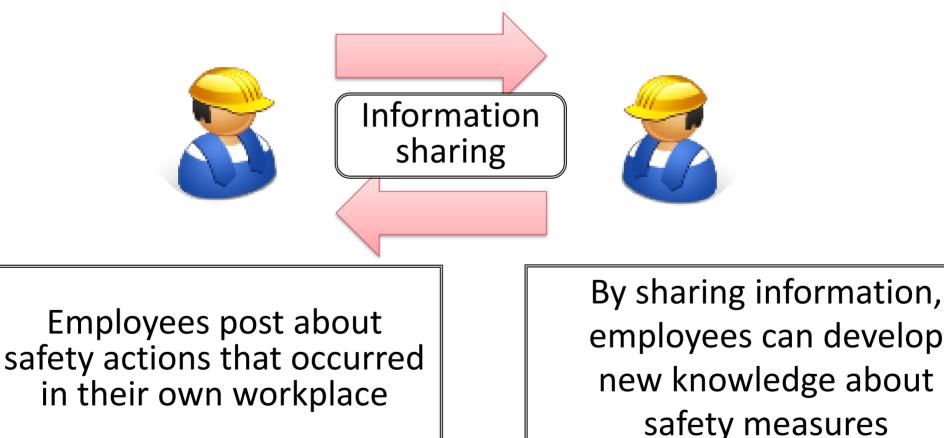




Top screen of the safety bulletin board

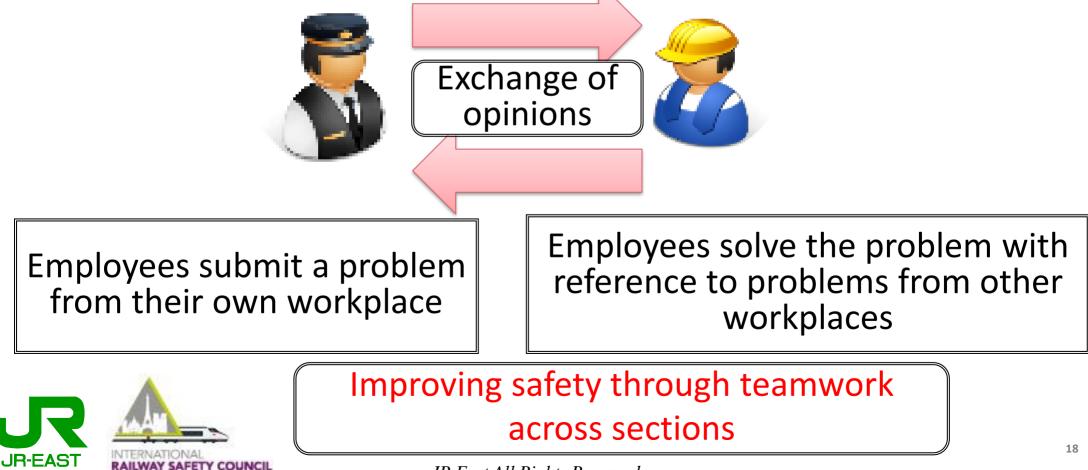


(1) Sharing good examples about safety

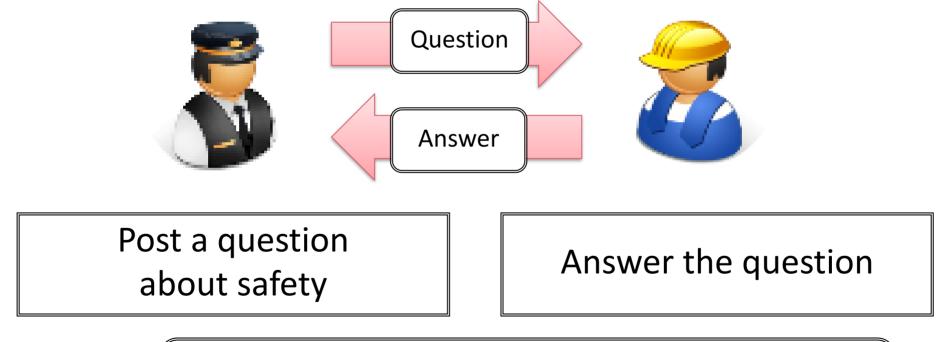




<u>The effects of the safety bulletin board</u> (2) Discussing problems from different workplaces →Improvement of teamwork through the exchange of safety-related information among the workplaces



<u>The effects of the safety bulletin board</u> (3) Improving knowledge about safety



Employees improve their knowledge about safety



The effects of the safety bulletin board

◆Safety bulletin board—inaugurated in November 2014

Employees communicate bilaterally with fellow workers in different workplaces through the bulletin board

By communicating through the bulletin board,

employees share good examples from their workplaces and enable other employees to improve the safety of their own workplaces

Future issues

- Linking the site to the company's intranet
- Allowing access from tablet devices



We will continue to improve and promote information sharing about safety

Conclusions

Promotion of the safety portal site

OSharing the know-how of front-line employees

Technical skills

Non-technical skills

OPreserving the technical traditions of the veterans OImproving the safety awareness of front-line employees

Safety improvement of JR-east



Thank you for your kind attention!

