

Type of Incident Personal Injury – Restricted Work Injury (RWI)

Key Issues Task & Environment - Unfavourable Working Condition

INX Incident No 70445

Date & Time Saturday, 02 October 2021, 16:30 hrs

Location Centre Pit Project, Mine

Injury Leg Ankle -Sprains and strains of joints and adjacent

muscles

DESCRIPTION

IP injured his left ankle during dismount on Fubilan Joint Venture (FJV) excavator EX68.

The IP was a Contractor fitter who was carrying out service on the excavator towards the end of night shift with the company of two colleagues. After completing servicing and inspections and while in the process of descending from excavator, IP slipped off the ladder step and landed awkwardly on his foot on the ground.

The excavator ladder step was a round bar and covered with mud on the time of incident.

LESSONS

- Step on the mount on ladder has less surface area for firm foot placement especially when exposed to mud and silty condition.
- Poor situational awareness to identify mud build up on step as potential hazard.
- Rushing at work towards end of shift.

ACTIONS

- Ensure all steps on mount on ladder to have adequate surface area for firm foot placement with equipment working in muddy or silt conditions.
- Communicate the incident to all workgroups at pre-start meetings to reinforce the consequence of rushing at work and importance of safe access ways.

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