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# VISION ZERO FUND

## GOING BEYOND

for safe & healthy supply chains



# Addressing an **URGENT CHALLENGE** together

Each morning, somewhere in the world, **1,000 people leave home for work and don't come back. An additional 6,500 people die every day from work-related diseases.**

These are the people who make our clothes. Grow the beans for our coffee. Construct the buildings in which we live and work. They need safe, healthy workplaces.

**160 million** work-related illnesses annually

**2.78 million** deaths a year from workplace accidents and work-related diseases

**4%** loss of GDP world-wide from work-related accidents, injuries and diseases

**313 million** non-fatal injuries every year

**60%** of world's labour force ineffectively protected by an employment injury insurance system if they become injured or ill

# ACTIVATING CHANGE

across the supply chain

The Vision Zero Fund looks beyond the ordinary to find real answers to the global challenge of worker safety and health, aiming to create a world with zero workplace deaths, accidents, and disease.

Working at all levels of the supply chain, from factories and fields to governments and global enterprises, we strategically target sectors and regions where we know we can make a positive difference.

The Vision Zero Fund mobilizes governments, employers, workers, and other stakeholders to take collective action to make sustainable improvements in worker health and safety where these changes are most needed. We bring expertise and experience in all key aspects of occupational safety and health, from labour inspection and injury insurance to gender issues and the future of work.

## BEYOND CONVENTIONAL APPROACHES

The complexity and scale of today's global supply chains demand flexible, innovative solutions that engage the best ideas – and the best minds – to improve worker safety and health. With the support of the ILO, the G7, and the G20, we can access expertise and resources globally to make change at the local level.

We look beyond conventional approaches to find fresh ways to meet long-standing challenges. Beyond the discredited idea that safer workplaces are less profitable and productive. Beyond symptoms channels to address the often-overlooked root causes of workplace accidents and health issues.

### Our method has demonstrated that it can bring about positive change:

We select supply chains with high replication potential where we know we can make an impact.

- 1 We assess occupational safety and health deficits in the targeted supply chain.
- 2 We design interventions tailored to maximize impact.
- 3 We implement intervention plans by engaging all relevant stakeholders.
- 4 We sustain impact through rigorous controls and replication in other supply chains.



# Local action

# GLOBAL IMPACT

We are focused on making improvements in-country, in partnership with local labour, business, and government groups. At the same time, we provide the data-driven guidance and support of a global alliance of experts in worker safety and health. This approach is the only effective way to create real change locally—on a global scale. And it ensures that we improve institutions and systems to create sustainable interventions that provide long-term benefits for vulnerable workers.

Since our establishment in 2016, the Vision Zero Fund has helped to improve the health safety of more than **5.6 million workers**, directly and indirectly, and provided training and consultation to over **40,000 government officials, employers, workers, and workers organizations**.



## GLOBAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- **USD 28 million** mobilized to improve the safety and health of more than **5.6 million workers** on **three continents**.
- **18,000 participants** in High-Level Forum on OSH in global supply chains.

• Collaboration with ILO's Better Work Programme to address the direct and indirect health risks of the COVID-19 pandemic in Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia and Vietnam.

## LATIN AMERICA

- **5 OSH protocols** developed to address COVID-19
- South-South cooperation and **learning activities fostered** among coffee-producing countries in the region

## ETHIOPIA

- **40,593 garment workers benefited** from improved knowledge and advice on safety and health
- **900+ factory managers trained** on OSH

## MADAGASCAR

- **1,000+ seasonal workers registered** for occupational health services
- Supported inspection visits to **687 businesses with 19,000+ workers** to improve OSH measures

## MYANMAR

- **198,000 workers given access** to enhanced employment injury insurance
- **Connected ginger farmers with international buyers** to establish long-term, mutually beneficial relationships

## LAO PDR

- **100% of project pilot factories** established bipartite workplace OSH committees
- **80% of inspected factories** implemented OSH improvement measures

## VIET NAM

- Potentially improving OSH conditions for **640,000 coffee-farming households**
- **Assessment conducted** in 2021 identified a need for fostering **multi-stakeholder collective action** around a number of topics, including chemical safety

### SECTORS

AGRICULTURE

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