

## WORLD DAY FOR SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK 2017

- ❖ The World Day for Safety and Health at Work is celebrated worldwide on the 28 April of every year. As such, activities are organized with the main objectives to:
  - a) encourage the prevention of occupational accidents and diseases globally, and raise awareness on emerging trends in the field of occupational safety and health, and on the magnitude of work-related injuries, diseases and fatalities worldwide; and
  - b) commemorate the International Day for Dead and Injured Workers organized worldwide by the trade union movement to honour the memory of victims of occupational accidents and diseases.
  
- ❖ The theme selected by International Labour Organisation (ILO) for the celebration of 2017 World Day for Safety and Health at Work was: **“Optimize the Collection and Use of OSH Data”**.
  
- ❖ In this context, the following activities were organized at the level of this Ministry to mark the event:
  - i) a Workshop on **“Optimize the Collection and Use of OSH Data”** on Friday 28 April 2017 held at the Intercontinental Mauritius, Balaclava Fort. The purpose of the workshop was to bring together all Chairpersons of Safety and Health Committees from Ministries/Departments to be sensitized on the importance of the collection and use of data on occupational accidents, injuries and

diseases so that they could impress on their respective organizations to put in place appropriate mechanisms for the collection of OSH data; and

ii) a sensitization campaign in all Ministries and Departments, through the distribution of a brochure on the theme **“Optimize the Collection and Use of OSH Data”**.



Pic 1. The Hon. Minister addressing his keynote speech



Pic 2. The Hon. Minister during the launching of the brochure



Pic 3. The SCE, Mr S.K Pather addressing the participants



Pic 4. Participants from different Ministries/Departments