Developing a Mobile Application for Safety Engineers for Detailed Hazard Analysis

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Abstract

A hazard is any source of potential damage, harm or adverse health effects on something or someone. Hazards have big impact on individuals and the community, where hazards are the main reason behind accidents and safety problems. Hazards have a high probability of happening in workplaces. Subsequently, hazard analysis techniques are methods that reduce or monitor hazards in our daily life and workplaces. Workplace environment have different types of hazard such as ergonomic, physical, biological, chemical, and others. Hazard analysis requires a process of observation, data collection and writing a report to identify and analyze hazards. The occupational hazards can be reduced through using detailed hazard analysis techniques such as Failure Mode and Effects of Analysis (FMEA), Hazard and Operability Review (HAZOP), and Risk Assessment. Since hazard analysis requires statistical data collection and writing report while safety engineers is observing the hazards, a tool such as a mobile application will reduce the time and the paper work by converting safety engineers' observation to a report immediately. Therefore, it is important to develop mobile application that will help safety engineers to assess detailed hazard analysis in a quick and systematic way. In this project, we are developing mobile application for hazard analysis for safety engineers, which will be considered as a tool ready to use during risk assessment.

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