

Receiving kickbacks is a serious offence

Kickbacks, or the collection of money from migrant workers as a condition for their employment, is a serious offence which undermines their well-being and livelihood



MOM will take stern action on those who collect kickbacks



Upon conviction, individuals and business who collected kickbacks may be:

- Fined up to \$30,000; or
- Imprisoned up to 2 years; or
- Sentenced to both; for each charge

Errant employers will also be debarred from employing migrant workers



The case of San Tong Engineering Pte Ltd on collecting kickbacks for work pass applications

A group of migrant workers were made to pay kickbacks to the Director Chen Shiqi



Some workers were asked to pay Chen between \$1,000 and \$3,000 as a condition for their work pass applications



The penalties

Chen was sentenced to 31 weeks' imprisonment and fined \$22,000 for collection of kickbacks, as well as several other offences

Both Chen and his company were also debarred from employing migrant workers