

## Ensure the safety of your helper

Dear Employer,

Happy Lunar New Year! As you freshen your home for the festive season, do supervise and guide your migrant domestic worker (MDW) in performing the household chores safely. Follow and share the safety guidelines highlighted in this newsletter with your MDW and fellow household members.

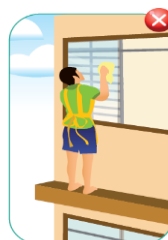
### Case Study

An employer who is staying at the 10th floor of an apartment instructed her MDW to climb out of the window to clean the air-conditioning ledge and window exterior. The employer was eventually fined \$2,000 for endangering the safety of her MDW.

Adhere to the following safety guidelines when cleaning windows or hanging laundry:



Do not lean out to retrieve items that have fallen out of the window.



Do not climb over the window onto the planter or the ledge.



Do not overload the clothes poles with too much clothing.



Do not tip-toe or stand on a chair, stool or any raised platform.



Ensure the floor area near all windows is dry.

Share the safety guidelines for [cleaning windows and hanging laundry](#) and [preventing slips and falls at home](#) (available in their native languages) with your MDW.