

# Maritime Heroine Series

## (Ship Repairing)

"Pursuit"

"Chan Huen-wai, Lilian, Assistant Ship Inspector, Marine Department"

Voice-over: Talking about mechanical engineering industry, many would think it is a male-dominated sector, it is especially the case for marine engineering.

However, Chan Huen-wai, Lilian has entered the sector and keeps achieving goals in her career.

Lilian has been fond of mechanics since young age. After graduated from secondary school, she took the Higher Diploma in Mechanical Engineering. Compare with design drawings and paper works, she rather likes repairing machineries more.

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Lilian: It gives me a sense of reality to fix things myself. I can think about and understand the mechanism behind at the same time. I quite enjoy finding the root causes through examination, thinking and looking for a solution, and then tackling it myself. I feel contented when problems are solved.

Voice-over: When Lilian first joined the maritime industry, she worked in the engineering department of ocean-going ship.

Afterwards, she had worked in a shipyard for a few years.

Lilian: I liked the job in the engineering department of ship.  
As for working in a shipyard,  
I could get to know more about different kinds of vessels and  
machineries,  
such as outboard motors, nozzles and diesel engines, etc.  
As I came across different kinds of problems,  
I gained more experience on problem-solving.  
It makes me feel accomplished.

Voice-over: When repairing vessels in a shipyard,  
one needs to crawl into the engine room for examination  
and maintenance.  
So, it requires physical fitness to perform the duties.

Lilian: It is very hot in engine rooms.  
Sometimes I sweated a lot and oil stained on my work  
clothes after work.  
But I feel accomplished,  
therefore I don't mind.

Voice-over: Some may think it may be hard for females to pursue this  
profession,  
but Lilian thinks women actually have an edge in the sector.

Lilian: In the eyes of some senior engineers, I am a female  
with a can-do attitude, am attentive and systematic.  
So, they are willing to guide me more.  
I think it is a kind of recognition.

Voice-over: Lilian's interest in mechanics was nurtured since young.  
When she grew up, she chose a career following her passion.

When asked about her hobbies,  
she likes watching animes.

Lilian: I am fond of mechanics since I was small.  
I especially like an animation about transformers and cosmos  
fleets.  
The airframe designs in the animation are so beautiful and  
detailed.

Voice-over: This pursuit has motivated her  
to move forward in her interest and career aspects.  
To take her career and life to the next level,  
Lilian completed a Top-up Bachelor  
of Engineering (Hons) Degree Programme in Mechanical  
Engineering.  
Afterwards she applied for the position of Assistant Ship  
Inspector  
and joined the Marine Department.

Lilian was once in the Maintenance and Support Section  
of the Government Fleet Division in the Marine Department,  
and responsible for the maintenance of the Government  
vessels, managing maintenance workshops and supervising  
vendors.

To Lilian, the path has not been an easy one.  
However, no matter it was working in the engineering  
department onboard  
or repairing vessels at shipyard,  
it has given her much satisfaction.

Lilian: It is important to have interests in your job.  
Don't be shy and ask whenever you want to know.

Working is never easy,  
but if you are doing something you like,  
it is worth the sweats.

I am now working in the Government New Construction  
Section.

There are many areas I have yet been exposed to.  
That is why I want to learn more.

"Stay curious          Pursue with focus"

"Special Thanks          Marine Department"

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