多地重視舞台安全 強化法規監管

More attention for theater safety with stringent rules to monitor equipment



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香港男子組合MIRROR的演唱會發生嚴重事故, 引起多國傳媒關注。縱觀全球多國近年都採取不同 方式,加強監督舞台表演的安全,英國多項勞動場

所安全(workplace safety)相關法規便適用於監管舞台設施, 美國及澳洲也有州份陸續頒布 (promulgate) 演出規範。多國演 藝業界還成立專項組,為從業者提供更多活動安全指引。

英國 1974年頒布《工作健康與安全法案》(Health and Safety at Work etc. Act),其後更新多項條例,均適用於監督 舞台演出及籌備工作。主要條例包括1998年通過的《起重操 作及起重設備條例》(Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations) 、2005年的《高空作業條例》(Work at Height Regulations) ,以及2013年的《傷害、疾病和危險事 件報告條例》(Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations)等。依照規定,主辦方需在活動前 向當局遞交風險評估 (risk assessment) 報告,詳細説明活動潛 在風險及應對方案。

根據《高空作業條例》,僱主需採取措施,確保他人不會高墜 受傷或被墜落物擊傷。英國劇院技術員協會 (Association of British Theatre Technicians)據此要求活動主辦方遵照條例,為所 有懸掛設備加設安全繩索(safety wire),取代此前沒有承重能 力評級的鎖鏈(chain)等。所有安全繩索均標註評級,負載從5 公斤到100公斤不等,可以安全懸掛較大型的燈具等裝備。

英國舞台表演所需的多種設備,亦可遵照條例監管。以電纜 為例,負責人需先作目視檢查(visual inspection),確認電纜 有否斷裂、損壞或臨時維修痕跡,若檢查不及格需即時安排專 人整修。舞台布置所需的梯子等裝備也要定期維護及測試,頻 率 (frequency) 由各地政府決定。

美國得州(Texas)去年11月一場戶外音樂節(music festival) 發生人踩人意外,造成10人死亡。當地政府在事故後隨 即成立「得州演唱會安全工作組」(Texas Task Force on Concert Safety) , 今年4月發表報告,提供大型活動監管建 議。工作組建議主辦方需設立現場指揮及控制組,監督活動運 作,若發生意外或發現安全威脅(security threat),便需即時 叫停活動。地方官員如果發現主辦方有不當行為,亦可隨時否 決演出申請

工作組還特別建議監管部門 (regulator) , 密切留意參與活 動的表演者(artist)社交媒體動向,若表演者曾鼓勵觀眾無視 安全風險,相關活動均可作違規處理,表演者亦需為活動中任 何人員傷亡和財產損失負責。工作組也提供指南,方便活動主 辦方尋找保安人員培訓資源。

美國演藝界2011年成立「舞台活動安全聯盟」 (Event Safety Alliance, 簡稱ESA) , 匯集業內眾多工程安全專家, 為各項 大型活動提供技術協助。ESA頒布的《演藝活動安全指南》 (The Event Safety Guide) ,是全美首份專門針對舞台活動的 指引,包括處理繩索等演出道具的方案,以及各項應急計劃 (contingency plan) ,讓從業者更好地保證舞台及場地安全。

澳洲的西澳州衞生部門也在2009年頒布《舞台表演、演唱 會及大型集會指南》(Guidelines for concerts, events and organized gatherings),就各項活動風險管控(risk management)提出詳細建議。指南包括場地設計、設施安排及消防安 全指引等,亦提醒主辦方需重視酒精(alcohol)及藥物 濫用 (drug abuse) 問題,且要盡力減少大型集會對環 境影響。



◆ 工作小組到場調查MIRROR的演唱會事故原因。

資料圖片

Q&A

- 1. 是次 MIRROR 演唱會於哪裏舉行?
- 2. 是次意外中墜落的LED大熒幕的衝擊力超過多少公斤?
- 3. 是次意外由哪個政府部門協調作出調查?
- 4. 現時多數伴舞員均以什麼形式受僱?

(Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau) 4. 自個人士(self-employed person)

I. 香港體育館 (Hong Kong Coliseum) 2. 2,200公尺 3. 文化體育館 Hong Kong Coliseum) Answer



The serious accident occurred recently at the concert of the popular Hong Kong boy band MIR-ROR has attached media attention across the globe. Many coun-

tries throughout the world have introduced various measures in recent years to strengthen the supervision of theater safety. For example, several workplace safety regulations in the U.K. are applicable to the monitoring of stage facilities, while certain states in the U.S. and Australia have been gradually promulgating regulations on stage performances. Dedicated groups have also been set up by the entertainment industry of many countries to provide practitioners with more safety guidelines for activities.

The U.K. promulgated the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act in 1974, and subsequently updated several regulations applicable to supervising stage performances and relevant preparatory work, including the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations passed in 1998, the Work at Height Regulations in 2005, and the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences

Regulations in 2013. According to the regulations, organizers are required to submit to the authorities a risk assessment report before the events, detailing the potential risks and the emergency response plans.

Under the Work at Height Regulations, employers are required to take appropriate steps to prevent injury to any person or the fall of any material or object. The Association of British Theatre Technicians therefore requires event organizers to comply with the regulations and add safety wires to all hanging equipment, replacing chains that had been previously used but not certified to carry a particular load. All safety wires are properly rated to carry loads from 5kg to 100kg, capable of hanging large lighting or other equipment safely.

A variety of equipment required for stage performances in the U.K. would also be subject to the regulations. Taking the cable as an example, the person in charge needs to perform a visual inspection first to check whether the cable is broken, damaged or has been fixed, and arrange for urgent repair by professionals where necessary. Ladders and other required equipment would need to be maintained and tested regularly, with the frequency determined by local authorities.

On the other hand, an accident happened at an outdoor music festival in Texas, U.S. last November, leading to the death of 10 people in a crush. The "Texas Task Force on Concert Safety" was then set up by the local authority soon after the accident, which issued a report in April this year to provide advice on supervising large-scale events. It was suggested that a centralized on-site command and control group be established by the organizer to supervise the operation of the event, and it would need to be stopped immediately if accidents or security threats are found. The local officials also preserve the right to turn down an organizer's application for event if any misconduct or malpractice is involved.

The task force specifically advised that regulators pay close attention to the social media of the artists. If the artists have asked the audience to ignore the safety risks, the relevant event would be deemed in violation of regulations and the organizer would be held responsible for any casualties and property damage arising from the event. The

task force also provided guidelines for event organizers in search for resources regarding the training of security personnel.

The U.S. entertainment industry had formed that "Event Safety Alliance" (ESA) in 2011, bringing together many safety specialists to provide technical assistance for large-scale events; while The Event Safety Guide published by ESA is the country's first published safety guidance directed specifically at the live event industry, offering standards and guidelines on the handling of props such as ropes, as well as various contingency plans, to help industry professionals better enhance stage safety.

Moreover, the Department of Health in Western Australia had also issued the Guidelines for concerts, events and organized gatherings in 2009. offering detailed recommendations on the risk management of various activities. The guidelines cover areas in venue design, facility arrangements and fire safety etc., and remind event organizers to pay attention to alcohol and drug abuse issues and try best to minimize the impact of large-scale gatherings over the environment.

無時無刻都想念 有理有據免犯錯



嘉儀

隔星期一見報

「無時無刻想念你」、「無時無刻保持警惕」等説 法,各位是如何理解的?是否覺得大概跟「時時刻刻 想念你」、「每分每秒保持警惕」同義?如果是的 話,不好意思,你們又受到語病之害了。

若閣下的另一半對你説:「我無時無刻想念你」, 按「無時無刻」的本義推論,其實等於説「我完全沒 有想念你」!很意外吧?如果想表達「我時時刻刻想 念你」的意思,應該在「無時無刻」後加「不」字。 何解呢?

請大家先想想「無緣無故」、「無憂無慮」、「無 邊無際」、「無聲無息」、「無窮無盡」、「無影無 蹤」是什麼意思。相信大家很輕易便說得出,這些 「無x無Y」的詞組在語義上等於「沒有xY」,即是 「沒有緣故」、「沒有憂慮」、「沒有邊際」、「沒 有聲息」、「沒有窮盡」、「沒有影蹤」。在這類結 構中,「XY」(「緣故」、「憂慮」、「邊際」、

「聲息」、「窮盡」、「影蹤」)原本是中文詞語, 拆開來各加一個「無」字修飾,以表達「既沒有X也 沒有Y」的強調語氣。請務必注意:這類結構中的兩 個「無」作用方向相同,不能互相抵消,所以絕不能 以「負負得正」的邏輯去理解,否則「無緣無故」便

變了「有緣故」, 豈不荒謬?

若要「負負得正」,便必須加「不」字,例如「無 緣無故不會打人」,意思便是「有緣故才會打人」。 「無時無刻」一看便知屬於這類結構(中文有「時 刻」這個詞語),所以《重編國語辭典修訂本》的定 義正是「沒有時刻」,而且跟着註明「後面常與否定 詞連用,指時時刻刻、隨時的意思」。

那麼,有沒有「無X無Y」詞組可按「負負得正」 解?有的,例如「無日無之」。中文可沒有「日之」 這個詞語,沒有打破上述的規律。其實,以「無」字 開頭的詞組,按「負負得正」解的大多屬於「無X不 Y」的結構,例如「無處不在」、「無所不能」、「無 人不知」、「無惡不作」、「無微不至」。在這類結 構中,「無」與「不」作用方向相反,互相抵消,所 以屬於「負負得正」。

在「XY」為中文固有詞語的「無X無Y」結構之 中,雖然只有「無時無刻」會普遍被人誤以「負負得 正」的邏輯來理解、運用,完全違反規律,但不得不 承認,這個本來為錯的用法已經到了「積非成是」的 程度,用錯的人甚至比用對的人更多,若仍硬要説 「無時無刻」這樣用是錯的,便違反了「約定俗成」 這個基本原則。不過必須指出,這個用法違反語言邏 輯,雖不為錯,卻仍為病。「無時無刻不」這個對的 「負負得正」説法雖已淪為少數,但仍未消失。一個 違反邏輯,一個合乎邏輯,我們自然應該知所取捨, 避免語病。

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成功失敗非終點 鼓起勇氣向前走



溫斯頓·隆納德·斯賓塞·邱吉爾 (Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill, 1874-1965) ,是20世 紀初期至中期的英國保守黨政治家、演説家、外交 家、軍事家和作家。

他是牛津名門之後,畢業於哈洛公學及桑赫斯特 皇家軍事學院,曾經入伍,也曾當記者。1899年, 26歲的邱吉爾作為《晨報》記者到南非採訪布爾戰 爭而被拘留,翌年成功逃獄,成為全英國的話題人 物。

其後他晉身政界,涉足多個領域並歷經兩次世界 大戰,對英國、歐洲以至於世界都影響深遠。被認 為是20世紀最重要的政治領袖之一的他,除了在 政治上有舉足輕重的地位,原來也是個才華橫溢的 作家。他於1953年取得諾貝爾文學獎,首本著作 《馬拉坎德遠征史》(The Story of the Malakand Field Force) ,是記錄發生在現今巴基斯坦境內一 次戰役的第一手資料。在英國,邱吉爾的評價與聲 望始終高企,2002年BBC舉行的「最偉大的100名 英國人」調查中,邱吉爾位列榜首。

至於邱吉爾最令人津津樂道的,就是他的口才及 「毒舌」。據聞英國首位下議院女議員 Nancy As-

tor有次在國會茶水間斟咖啡時見到邱吉爾走過

便搶白他:「如果我是你太太,就會把毒藥加進你 的咖啡裏去。」(If I was married to you, I'd put poison in your coffee.) 他幽默地回應:「如果我是 你丈夫,我就寧願立即把那杯咖啡一飲而盡。」

(If I was married to you, I'd drink it.) 以下送給大家邱吉爾的精妙金句:

· You will never reach your destination if you stop and throw stones at every dog that barks. (如果你對每隻向你吠的狗都停下來扔石頭, 你永 遠到不了目的地。)

· Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts. (成功不是 終點,失敗不是終結,最重要的是鼓起勇氣向前

· This is the lesson: never give in, never give in, never, never, never, never — in nothing, great or small, large or petty - never give in except to convictions of honour and good sense. Never yield to force; never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy. (這事是教 訓:永不讓步,永不,永不,永不,永不,任何大 小,巨大的,瑣碎的,除了堅信光榮的和有意義 的。永不對敵人低頭。)

◆編者按:語錄是人類智慧的體現,即使是片言隻語,卻有微言大義的效果。本專欄希望介紹 世界名人的睿智言語,附上中英對譯,讓同學借鑑他們的智慧人生,在開拓視野之餘,也可提 升語文水平。





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