



Sacrifices are part of the job



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Ahmad Azmi A Rani, or more affectionately known as Azmi, has been working as a Shift Supervisor for PRPC UF for almost five years. Added with his experience in Terengganu, he has worked for almost 12 years in total.

Currently, his unit provides three major utility services in support of PRefChem; Cooling water system, fire water system and effluent treatment plant. Asked on his challenges at work, Azmi said it is a big challenge to manage multiple sources of effluents from the user.

"We do not have dedicated piping for multiple users so we have to analyze the origin of the user effluent to ensure the plant is not upset. Such as now, we already identify the major contributor of high (Chemical Oxygen Demand)- COD, which exceeded our design limit. We have to manage such waste while at the same time maintain our support for the PRefChem start-up. We try our best to treat the waste the best we can and manage it."

Searching deeper into who he is as a person, the writer sensed earnestness and passion in his voice when talking about what he does at work despite the plant was in low throughput mode prior to start-up.

"Although we were not in start-up mode at the time, we were still running at minimum load, and we were focused to be prepared once PRefChem increases load. Based on past experiences, we tried to anticipate what will happen when the plant starts up. Challenges are expected but we went on as usual.

"As part of PIC staff, of course it affected us when other people asked on not being able to produce products yet at the time and we had to explain on why the delay and importance of safety. It was a bit of a pressure, but alhamdulillah the worst is over and I pray we will be able to stabilise our operations soon.

Azmi, who has a family in Ipoh and a wife and child, said although it is not easy to work away from home, he is thankful that his family understands and gives full support for him to carry out his job well.

"I am grateful that they understand the sacrifices we have to make for me to perform my job here in PIC, and they are quite in tune to it since I was working in Terengganu. It is important for me to have their support when I go to work everyday," he said before ending the interview.

Thank you to everyone who has worked tirelessly to make the Start-up a reality,
for achieving the milestone and keeping us safe.

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