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Gyeonggi Pyeongtaek Port Corp. wins Korea Public Service Awards of Excellence

Recognized for increasing cargo traffic,
creating jobs, serving public interest



Gyeonggi Pyeongtaek Port Corporation was honored for setting a new paradigm of public service.

It received Korea Public Service Awards of Excellence 2015 from the Ministry of Strategy and Finance.

The awards were given to public organizations and agencies for offering outstanding public service to customers, contributing to the national economy and serving the public interest through creative management.

The corporation seeks to attract more investments and build a competitive harbor infrastructure to foster a brisk trade in Pyeongtaek Port, which is the only international trade port of Gyeonggi Province. It has been the nation's No. 1 port for automobile imports and exports for five years in a row. It has handled more than 100 million tons of freight for three consecutive years.

The corporation runs an advisory group of experts in maritime transport, harbor logistics and tourism. They seek ways to ensure sustainable growth. It has provided free medical benefits to about 4,600 underprivileged people including stevedores and residents for three years.

It has signed a deal with Korail Tourism Development Co. to develop tour guide packages which will link tourist spots near the port to railways. The agreement is expected to create jobs for guides or docents. It is part of the corporation's efforts to fulfill its corporate social responsibility.

"The port should grow in both quantity and quality," said Choi Kwang-il, chief executive of the corporation. "We will work to create jobs and do activities for the socially disadvantaged. To do so, we'll try to improve our customer-oriented service, increase the movements of cargo through our port and build better facilities."

Since its opening to trade in 1986, Pyeongtaek Port has set a number of milestones. It reached the mark of 100 million tons in freight the fastest. It has been Korea's No. 1 port for car imports and exports for five years in a row. The port has handled more than 100 million tons annually for three consecutive years.

Gyeonggi Pyeongtaek Port university press corps concludes service

Reporters gain field experience and
understanding of port



The third-term university press corps of Pyeongtaek Port has ended its nine-month service with a total of 170 articles.

Its members reported updates on shipping, port operation and logistics related to the port.

Gyeonggi Pyeongtaek Port Corporation held a ceremony to disband the corps at the Marine Center on Dec. 3. University student reporters broke the news on the port to its clients.

Their reportage helped the port communicate with its related parties swiftly.

The press corps posted news on its official blog and the Facebook of the corporation.

During the ceremony, the press corps reviewed what it had done.

One reporter won the top prize and three others runner-up awards. The reporters spoke about what they felt while working as members of the press corps. They also suggested policies to the corporation. "I am glad to have worked as a reporter, because as a major in distribution logistics. I could understand the marine and port industry better by reporting the port on the spot," said Lee Seon-hye, a Pyeongtaek University student who won the grand prize.

"I appreciate the ardor and interest you have shown for nine months," Choi Tae-young, deputy marketing manager of the corporation, said. "I hope your reporting experience will be useful in building your careers."