## 153 validly nominated candidates for Legislative Council General Election

The names of the 153 validly nominated candidates for the 2021 Legislative Council General Election were gazetted today (November 19). The number for each candidate on the ballot papers, which was determined by drawing of lots, was also announced.

For the geographical constituency (GC) election, 35 candidates are validly nominated to compete for 20 seats in the 10 geographical constituencies.

For the functional constituency (FC) election, there are 67 validly nominated candidates, and they will run for 30 seats in the functional constituencies.

For the Election Committee constituency (ECC) election, a total of 51 validly nominated candidates will compete for 40 seats.

Among the 154 nomination forms received during the nomination period, one nomination was ruled invalid by the Candidate Eligibility Review Committee. The information is set out below:

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Medical and health services	1

"The Legislative General Council Election will be held on December 19. A total of over 620 ordinary polling stations and not more than 24 dedicated polling stations across Hong Kong will be open on the polling day for registered electors of all GCs and FCs to cast their votes. In addition, an ECC polling station will be set up at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre for ECC electors to cast their ECC, GC and FC (if any) votes at the same time," a spokesman for the Registration and Electoral Office said.

"The 4.47 million-odd registered GC electors can cast one vote each in their respective GC. About 219 000 registered electors of the 28 FCs can cast their votes to select the member(s) for their respective FC. Not more than 1 500 Election Committee members can cast their votes to select 40 members of the ECC," the spokesman said.

The polling hours for the ordinary polling stations and the dedicated polling stations set up at police stations will be from 8.30am to 10.30pm. For the dedicated polling stations set up in penal institutions, for security reasons, the polling hours will be from 9am to 4pm.

The numbers of candidates, seats and electors for each GC are as follows:

GC	Number of		
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Hong Kong Island East	4	2	424 849
Hong Kong Island West	3	2	374 795
Kowloon East	5	2	475 223
Kowloon West	3	2	381 484
Kowloon Central	3	2	454 595
New Territories South East	3	2	472 751
New Territories North	4	2	431 604
New Territories North West	3	2	468 752
New Territories South West	3	2	510 558
New Territories North East	4	2	478 252
Total	35	20	4 472 863

â€<The numbers of candidates, seats and electors for each FC are as follows:

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FC	Candidates	Seats	Electors
Heung Yee Kuk	2	1	161
Agriculture and fisheries	2	1	176
Insurance	2	1	126
Transport	2	1	223
Education	5	1	85 117
Legal	2	1	7 549
Accountancy	4	1	27 778
Medical and health services	5	1	55 523
Engineering	2	1	10 772
Architectural, surveying, planning and landscape	2	1	9 123
Labour	4	3	697
Social welfare	3	1	13 974
Real estate and construction	2	1	463
Tourism	2	1	192
Commercial (first)	2	1	1 041
Commercial (second)	2	1	421
Commercial (third)	2	1	288
Industrial (first)	2	1	421

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Industrial (second)	2	1	592
Finance	2	1	114
Financial services	2	1	760
Sports, performing arts, culture and publication	2	1	257
Import and export	2	1	231
Textiles and garment	2	1	348
Wholesale and retail	2	1	2 015
Technology and innovation	2	1	73
Catering	2	1	141
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region deputies to the National People's Congress, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and representatives of relevant national organisations	2	1	678
Total	67	30	219 254

The numbers of candidates, seats and electors for the ECC are as follows:

Number of		
Candidates	Seats	Electors
51	40	Not more than 1 500

To ensure that the elections are conducted in an open, fair and honest manner, the Electoral Affairs Commission, the Registration and Electoral Office and the Independent Commission Against Corruption will continue to work closely to publicise clean election messages to members of the public and the candidates so as to help them familiarise themselves with the electoral arrangements and the relevant requirements.

The gazette notices and information about the candidates have been uploaded to the election website (<a href="www.elections.gov.hk">www.elections.gov.hk</a>).