

2023 Annual Report on Justices of Peace Visits

The 2023 Annual Report on Justices of Peace (JP) Visits was published today (September 27). The report provides an account of the work of JPs in the year 2023.

The primary role of a JP is to visit various institutions, such as prisons, detention centres, hospitals and remand/probation homes under the JP visit programme. The objective of the visits is to ensure that the rights of the inmates in the institutions are safeguarded through a system of regular visits by independent visitors.

In 2023, JPs visited 114 institutions under the JP visit programme. They received and handled 71 complaints and 716 requests/enquiries during JP visits. In addition, JPs also made comments and suggestions on ways to improve the management of facilities and quality of services provided by the institutions.

The annual report on JP Visits is available on the JPs website (www.info.gov.hk/jp).