

A male police constable posted to Railway District preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19

A 50-year-old male Police Constable who is posted to the Patrol Sub-unit of Island Rail Line, Railway District, preliminarily tested positive for the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19). Feeling unwell on January 11, he consulted a doctor with the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) test conducted on the same day. He was preliminarily tested positive today (January 12). He has no travel history in the past 14 days. He wore face mask during his tour of duty. His last working day was January 7.

Police are highly concerned and have the following messages:

(1) While awaiting further assessment and recommendations from the Department of Health (DH), officers that might have come into close contact with the police officer have been arranged to quarantine for observation and undergo tests for the virus;

(2) Police have deployed staff to clean and disinfect the premises where the officer works in;

(3) Police have reminded officers to maintain personal hygiene and reduce social contact to minimise the risk of infection. They should immediately report their cases and consult a doctor if they feel unwell; and

(4) Police will deploy resources flexibly to ensure the provision of emergency services remains unaffected.

Police will continue to maintain close communication with the DH and proactively provide information such as the recent duty record and roster of the police officer concerned. Arrangements will be made for close contacts to be conveyed to quarantine centres to undergo quarantine.