

A male police constable preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19

A 55-year-old male police constable who is posted to the Marine North Division, preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19. His family members preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19 and he was arranged for COVID-19 test. He was preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19 today (February 5). He has no travel history in the past 14 days. He wore face masks during his tour of duty. His last working day was January 30.

Police are highly concerned and have the following messages:

(1) While awaiting further assessment and recommendation by the Department of Health (DH), all police officers and civilian staff who might have been in contact with the officer concerned have been arranged to undergo COVID-19 test as instructed by the DH;

(2) All facilities in the office concerned have been sterilised;

(3) All officers have been reminded to reduce social contact to minimise risks of infection, and to pay attention to physical health. If feeling unwell, they should consult a doctor and report the case immediately;

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

Police will maintain close communication with the DH and provide assistance in tracing the pathology, by proactively providing information such as the duty record and roster of the officer concerned. Arrangements will be made for close contacts to be conveyed to quarantine centres to undergo quarantine.