

Airport bus routes serving HZMB Hong Kong Port to be re-routed via Shun Long Road

The Transport Department (TD) announced today (November 23) that starting from November 27, the eight airport "A" routes currently serving the Hong Kong Port of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) will be re-routed via the Tuen Mun – Chek Lap Kok Link (Southern Connection), i.e. Shun Long Road, on their journeys to the urban area or the New Territories.

The TD said that after the re-routing via Shun Long Road, the journey distance of the eight airport "A" routes will be reduced by about 4 kilometres while the estimated journey time will be shortened by about 4 minutes. The eight airport "A" routes are route A11 (plying to and from North Point), route A21 (plying to and from Hung Hom), route A22 (plying to and from Lam Tin), route A29 (plying to and from Tseung Kwan O), route A31 (plying to and from Tsuen Wan), route A33X (plying to and from Tuen Mun), route A36 (plying to and from Yuen Long) and route A41 (plying to and from Sha Tin).

A spokesman for the TD pointed out that a total of 28 additional buses, representing an increase of 37 per cent in the number of buses, have already been deployed to the eight bus routes concerned since en-route bus stops are designated at the Hong Kong Port to tie in with the commissioning of the HZMB. To meet the increase in passenger demand, the bus companies will deploy four more buses to routes A11, A21 and A31 and increase bus frequencies to cope with the passenger demand. The bus companies will continue to strengthen their services by deploying additional buses and providing special departures on specific routes according to the actual passenger demand during peak days or periods. The TD and the bus companies will continue to closely monitor the occupancy of the bus routes serving the Hong Kong Port and further enhance the bus services when necessary.

The TD added that starting from November 27, the routing and location of the en-route stops of airport route A31 (Tsuen Wan bound near Luk Yeung Sun Chuen) and A33X (both directions near Siu Hong Court) will be adjusted for the convenience of passengers. For details, please visit the websites of the TD and the bus company.

The spokesman said that the department has implemented a new measure since November 21 to further assist tour coach operators to pick up passengers at the pick-up area at the Hong Kong Port Public Transport Interchange (South). Provided that coach operators have submitted applications and completed certain simple procedures via the TD's online system by 9pm on any day, they can enter the area to pick up passengers on the next day. The operation of the new measure has been smooth, which has helped operators to flexibly deploy their tour coaches to provide services at

the Hong Kong Port and hence divert inbound passenger flows.