## <u>Anti-epidemic Fund begins disbursing</u> <u>subsidies to live marine fish</u> <u>wholesale traders</u>

A spokesman for the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) said today (March 16) that the Government is providing subsidies to live marine fish wholesale traders operating in the wholesale fish markets of the Fish Marketing Organization under the Anti-epidemic Fund to assist the trade to tackle the financial difficulties arising from the COVID-19 epidemic. The disbursement of approved subsidies to the traders of the first batch of successful applications has started.

Twenty applications have been approved involving subsidies of \$4,000,000. The department will process the remaining applications as soon as possible in order to provide assistance to eligible live marine fish wholesale traders.

For more details, please contact the department at 2150 7103, or view the department's website (<u>www.afcd.gov.hk</u>).