<u>Application for new niches at Wo Hop</u> <u>Shek Columbarium opens</u>

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) will allocate some 10,000 new extendable niches at Block A of Wo Hop Shek Columbarium Phase VI in Fanling, which are open for application from today (May 11) to June 10.

An FEHD spokesman said, "The 10,900 niches concerned include 10,657 standard niches (5,730 smoke-free niches and 4,927 non-smoke-free niches) and 243 large niches (120 smoke-free niches and 123 non-smoke-free niches). If the number of applications exceeds the quantity of niches available for allocation in Block A, a corresponding quantity of niches in Block B will be added for allocation."

Members of the public can visit the FEHD's website (www.fehd.gov.hk) for details and download the application forms. Leaflets and application forms are also available at the department's Hong Kong or Kowloon Cemeteries and Crematoria Office, District Environmental Hygiene Offices and Home Affairs Enquiry Centres of the Home Affairs Department. In addition, members of the public may call 2841 9111 or email apply_newniche@fehd.gov.hk for enquiries and request application forms by fax.

The spokesman encouraged applicants to fill in and submit the application forms online so as to avoid postal delay or non-delivery. Applications can also be submitted by fax (2333 1716), via email (apply_newniche@fehd.gov.hk), by post or in person to the FEHD Hong Kong or Kowloon Cemeteries and Crematoria Office.

Information on the Cemeteries and Crematoria Offices and Public Niche Allocation Office of the FEHD is as follows:

Hong Kong Cemeteries and Crematoria Office

Address: 1J Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong

Tel: 2570 4318 Fax: 2591 1879

Kowloon Cemeteries and Crematoria Office

Address: Upper Ground Floor, 6 Cheong Hang Road, Hung Hom, Kowloon

Tel: 2365 5321 Fax: 2176 4963

Public Niche Allocation Office

Address: Units 3501-3511 and 3520-3525, 35/F, Tower 1, Metroplaza, 223 Hing

Fong Road, Kwai Fong, New Territories

Tel:2330 5635 Fax: 2333 1716

The spokesman reminded those who wish to apply for allocation of the

above niches for the deceased to submit the completed application forms together with the copies of required documents on or before June 10 to avoid missing this application period.