

Attempted murder and suicide in Sha Tin

Police are investigating an attempted murder and suicide case in Sha Tin today (January 30) in which an 80-year-old man died.

At about 4.33pm, Police received a report that a man was found collapsed on the floor inside an accessible toilet with head being wrapped with a plastic bag. A woman was also found next to the man and collapsed on a wheelchair with head being wrapped with a plastic bag.

Police officers sped to the scene. The man and the woman were rushed to Prince of Wales Hospital in unconscious state. The man was certified dead at 5.22pm, while the woman regained consciousness.

Initial investigation revealed that the man and woman were couple. The man was suspected attempting to kill his 71-year-old wife by wrapping a plastic bag around her head, then committed suicide by wrapping his head with a plastic bag.

The two plastic bags tied with strings, the woman's wheelchair and the couple's personal belongings, which were in suspected connections with the case, were seized at scene.

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted later to ascertain the cause of the man's death.

Active investigation by the District Crime Squad of Sha Tin District is underway. Anyone who witnessed the incident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 2723.