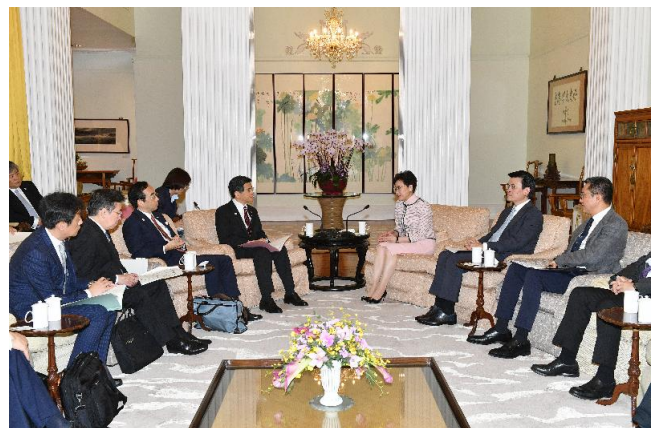


CE meets Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism of Japan (with photos)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, met with the visiting Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism of Japan, Mr Keiichi Ishii at Government House this afternoon (May 2). The Ambassador and Consul-General of Japan in Hong Kong, Mr Mitsuhiro Wada; the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau; and the Secretary for Development, Mr Michael Wong, also attended the meeting.

Mrs Lam welcomed Mr Ishii's visit to Hong Kong, noting that Hong Kong and Japan enjoy close ties and that she had visited Japan twice since assuming office. She said that her visit last October had laid a solid foundation for co-operation between the two places in various aspects, while the trip early last month was the first joint overseas promotion by the governments of Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao after the promulgation of Outline Development Plan for Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, and is testimony to the importance Hong Kong attaches to relations with Japan. Pointing out that 2019 is "Hong Kong-Japan Tourism Year", she said she had also participated in tourism promotion activities during her visit to Japan last year. She expressed the hope that more Japanese tourists will visit Hong Kong and other Greater Bay Area cities on multi-destination itineraries.

Mrs Lam said that Hong Kong has always invested heavily in infrastructure to improve the livelihood of the general public and maintain the long-term competitiveness of the city. Given the high quality of their work, their advanced technology and their concern for industrial safety, she encouraged Japan's construction companies to actively participate in Hong Kong's works projects. She added that the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has set up the Construction Innovation and Technology Fund and would promote the wider adoption of innovative construction methods and technology by the construction industry to meet the challenges presented by labour shortage and an ageing workforce in Hong Kong.



Booth exhibitor and salesperson respectively convicted for offering for sale and selling infringing toys

A person in charge of an exhibition booth and a salesperson of another exhibition booth were each fined \$50,000 today (May 2) at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts, respectively, for offering for sale and exhibiting; and selling and in possession of an infringing copy of a copyright work for the purpose of or in the course of any trade or business. They had contravened the Copyright Ordinance (CPO).

Customs earlier received the copyright owner's information alleging the sale and display of suspected infringing toys for order at booths in the Hong Kong Gifts and Premium Fair held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

After investigation, Customs officers conducted test-buy operations and successfully purchased and ordered infringing toys and seized 99 infringing toys at two booths with an estimated market value of about \$1,900 in total. A 29-year-old man in charge and a 24-year-old saleslady were arrested and prosecuted.

Customs will continue to take stringent enforcement action to combat infringing activities. Booth exhibitors are reminded to respect intellectual property rights and not to sell infringing goods.

Under the CPO, any person who possesses an infringing copy of a copyright work with a view to selling it commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$50,000 per infringing copy and imprisonment for four years.

Members of the public may report any suspected infringing activities to the Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

Update on measles cases

The Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health (DH) said today (May 2) that no additional case of measles infection had been recorded as at 4pm today.

Regarding measles control measures implemented at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA), a total of 13 persons had received measles vaccination at the airport vaccination station as at 6pm today, bringing the cumulative number of vaccinations given to 8 343.

From tomorrow (May 3) to May 17 (excluding Sundays and public holidays), measles vaccination will be provided to airport staff who:

- (1) Were born in or after 1967, and have not received two doses of measles vaccination, and have not been infected with measles before; or
- (2) Have laboratory evidence of testing not positive against measles antibody (IgG).

The vaccination quota for the measles vaccination station at the airport remains at 600 doses daily. The venue and operation hours of the airport vaccination station are as follows:

Venue:	Multi-function Room, HKIA Tower (Level 5, Terminal 2)
Hours:	May 3 to 17 (excluding Sundays and public holidays) 10am to 1pm 2pm to 6pm

As for the blood test service, the DH will continue to provide the measles serology test service to about 200 airport staff who were born in or after 1967 on May 7. Seven blood samples have been collected today. The DH will notify the participants individually of the serology results.

The venue and operation hours of the airport blood test station are as follows:

Venue:	South side before the Immigration Hall at Level 3 of Terminal 2 (non-restricted area)
Hours:	May 7 9am to 1pm

The pilot service at the blood test station on the same designated date and time to provide measles serology testing for a total of about 200 Filipino foreign domestic helpers who are coming to or returning to work in Hong Kong will also be continued on May 7. Five of such blood samples have been collected so far. The DH will also notify these participants individually of the serology results.

A hotline (2125 1122) has been set up for public enquiries and operates during office hours from Mondays to Fridays. A total of 3 323 enquiries have been received so far.

Cluster of Human Metapneumovirus cases in Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital (PYNEH) made the following announcement today (May 2):

Five patients (aged 67 to 82) in a male psychogeriatric ward have presented with fever and upper respiratory symptoms since April 27. Laboratory tests revealed that four patients' results were positive for Human Metapneumovirus. The patients are being treated under isolation and are in a stable condition.

The infection control measures on the ward have been enhanced. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance.

The hospital has reported the cases to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.

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LegCo Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting visits Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School (with photos)

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting conducted a visit to the Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School (Yu Kan Hing Secondary School) today (May 2) to understand school-based information technology (IT) learning through IT-related extra-curricular activities.

Accompanied by the Under Secretary for Innovation and Technology, Dr David Chung, members met with the Principal of Yu Kan Hing Secondary School, Mr Lau Chun-hung. They received a briefing from Mr Lau on the development of IT education in the school. Members then observed students participating in an artificial intelligence coding class and went to the Maker Space for innovation and technology in the school to observe students' design projects.

Members then toured the school to observe the student-designed smart green lawn system and the smart living lab for the elderly set up in the school. Members listened to students' presentation on their design projects, including the voice activated automatic bed lifting installation.

Members also took the opportunity to exchange views with teachers and students to gain an understanding of the challenges in taking forward the school-based IT learning and to discuss how the Government should enhance the support to schools.

Members participating in the visit included the Panel Chairman, Dr Elizabeth Quat; the Panel Deputy Chairman, Mr Charles Mok; Panel member Mr Alvin Yeung; and non-Panel members Dr Helena Wong, Mr Ip Kin-yuen and Mr Ho Kai-ming.

