

Temporary closure of Tai Wan Shan Swimming Pool

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (April 12) that due to power failure, Tai Wan Shan Swimming Pool in Kowloon City District has been temporarily closed until further notice.

Update on measles cases and control and prevention arrangement against measles at airport

The Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health (DH) said today (April 11) that no additional case of measles infection has been recorded as at 4pm today and announced the arrangement of control and prevention strategy at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) in the coming two weeks.

A spokesman for the DH said, "As the measles outbreak at the airport cannot be concluded in the near future, the control measures including vaccination and blood testing services will continue for a period of time. Detailed arrangement will depend on the latest situation and will be announced in due course."

From tomorrow (April 13) to April 28, the vaccination quota for the measles vaccination station at the airport will remain at 500 doses daily. Vaccination for eligible airport staff will be provided to the following target groups 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, and with evidence of living with infants under 1 year old or living with pregnant women; or
- (2) Have laboratory evidence of testing not positive against measles antibody (IgG)

Details of evidence are as follows:

1. Supporting documents for living with infants under 1-year-old: for example birth certificate, discharge summary or vaccination card of the infant
2. Supporting documents for living with pregnant women: for example, positive pregnancy tests or antenatal follow-up cards of the pregnant women
3. Supporting documents for laboratory evidence: for example blood results from the DH's measles serology test or any laboratory within the past 12 months

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

Venue:	Multi-function Room, HKIA Tower (Level 5, Terminal 2)
Hours:	April 13 to 28 10am to 1pm 2pm to 6pm

As for the blood test service, the DH will continue to arrange the provision of a measles serology test service for airport staff to identify those who need the measles vaccination. Starting next week, a DH contractor will provide the blood test service to about 200 airport staff who were born in or after 1967 daily from Tuesdays to Thursdays (April 16 to 18 and 23 to 25). The blood test service will be suspended from Fridays to Mondays.

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:	April 16 to 18 and 23 to 25 9am to 1pm

A total of 52 persons received measles vaccination at the airport vaccination station as at 6pm today, bringing the cumulative number of vaccinations given to 8 130. As for blood test services, 95 blood samples have been collected today. The DH will notify the participants individually of the serology results.

A hotline (2125 1122) has been set up for public enquiries. Starting

tomorrow, the hotline will operate during office hours from Mondays to Fridays. As of 5pm today, the hotline had received a total of 3 136 enquiries.

"The incubation period (the period from infection to appearance of illness) of measles ranges from seven days to 21 days. Symptoms of measles include fever, skin rash, cough, runny nose and red eyes. If symptoms arise, members of the public should wear surgical masks, stop going to work or school and avoid going to crowded places. They should also avoid contact with non-immune persons, especially persons with weakened immunity, pregnant women and children aged below 1. Those suspected to have been infected are advised to seek medical attention as early as possible and reveal relevant contact history of measles to healthcare professionals," the spokesman advised.

Booth exhibitor and salesperson given prison sentence and suspended jail sentence for selling counterfeit handbags

A person in charge of an exhibition booth and a salesperson were sentenced to three months' imprisonment and three months' imprisonment suspended for 12 months respectively on March 15 and today (April 12) at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts for offering to supply goods with false trade description and possession of goods with a forged trademark for the purpose of trade or business. They had contravened the Trade Descriptions Ordinance (TDO). The sentence imposed on the person in charge of the exhibition booth is the heaviest penalty in the past decade among similar cases of infringement that took place at exhibition fairs.

Customs earlier received the trademark owner's information alleging the display of counterfeit handbags for order at a booth in a leather fair held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

After investigation, Customs officers conducted a test-buy operation and successfully ordered 500 counterfeit handbags and seized five counterfeit handbag samples at a booth with an estimated market value of about \$40,000 in total. A 36-year-old man in charge and a 29-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 counterfeit goods.

Under the TDO, any person who sells or possesses for sale any goods with

a forged trademark commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$500,000 and imprisonment for five 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).

Application exercise for institutions to qualify under arrangement on interim measures in aid of arbitral proceedings by courts of Mainland and HKSAR commences

The Department of Justice (DoJ) has today (April 12) started to accept applications from arbitration and dispute resolution institutions wishing to qualify under Article 2 of the Arrangement Concerning Mutual Assistance in Court-ordered Interim Measures in Aid of Arbitral Proceedings by the Courts of the Mainland and of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. The details of the application procedure are set out on the webpage of the DoJ (www.doj.gov.hk/eng/public/concerning_mutual_assistance.html).

All applications and supporting documents shall be in writing and addressed to the DoJ as follows, to reach the DoJ on or before May 3, 2019, by post or email:

Arbitration Unit
Legal Policy Division
Department of Justice
5/F, East Wing, Justice Place, 18 Lower Albert Road, Central, Hong Kong
Email: interim@doj.gov.hk

For enquiries, please contact the Senior Assistant Solicitor General (Arbitration), Mr Lee Tin-yan, at 3918 4038 or by email at tylee@doj.gov.hk.

SCED visits Kwun Tong District (with

photos)

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau, today (April 12) visited Kwun Tong District, where he toured a business incubator and Fly the Flyover (FF) 02 and 03 near the Kwun Tong waterfront. He also met with members of the Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) to get a better understanding of the district's latest developments.

Mr Yau first visited TusPark Hong Kong and was briefed on its operation, services and facilities. TusPark Hong Kong commenced operation in 2015 and is dedicated to supporting innovation and technology start-ups, as well as their expansion into the markets of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and South East Asia by providing co-working spaces, cross-border resources and information sharing services and other support. During the visit, Mr Yau chatted with young entrepreneurs and learned about their experience in starting up businesses.

Mr Yau said the Government is committed to helping Hong Kong enterprises to develop overseas markets. He recently led a business mission to Georgia and Hungary, in which representatives of start-ups also joined to explore business opportunities in different markets.

Mr Yau then proceeded to FF02 and FF03, where he visited various facilities managed and operated by a non-profit making organisation, HKALPS Limited, including an open stage, a gallery and urban farms. To better utilise the unused spaces beneath Kwun Tong Bypass, the Energizing Kowloon East Office initiated the "Fly the Flyover Operation" to convert the sites for creative, arts and cultural uses. The launch of FF02 and FF03 not only provides venues for different parties to organise cultural performances and activities, but also opens up the fenced-off space for public enjoyment, injecting vibrancy into the Kwun Tong waterfront.

Mr Yau commended the project for its creativity in bringing arts and culture into the community. He added that the Tourism Commission and the Hong Kong Design Centre also launched a creative tourism project, Design District Hong Kong (#ddHK) last month, which showcases designs and activities with Hong Kong characteristics in a creative way in Wan Chai and Sham Shui Po districts, providing the public and visitors with an authentic experience of Hong Kong.

Before concluding his district visit, Mr Yau met with KTDC members to listen to and exchange views on district matters such as transport, smart city development and telecommunications and broadcasting.

