<u>Appeal for information on missing manin Kwai Chung (with photo)</u>

Police today (January 3) appealed to the public for information on a man who went missing in Kwai Chung.

Wang Zida, aged 22, went missing after he was last seen in Shek Lei (II) Estate yesterday (January 2) morning. His family made a report to Police on the same day.

He is about 1.76 metres tall, 90 kilograms in weight and of fat build. He has a square face with yellow complexion and short black hair. He was last seen wearing a dark blue overcoat, dark blue trousers and white sports shoes.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing man or may have seen him is urged to contact the Regional Missing Person Unit of New Territories South on 3661 1173 or 6331 8151, or email to rmpu-nts-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



Hospital Authority Patient Experience Survey period extended

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) commissioned the Jockey Club School of Public Health and Primary Care of the Chinese University of Hong Kong

(JCSPHPC) to launch a Patient Experience Survey at its 26 Specialist Outpatient Clinics (SOPCs) with an aim of gaining a better understanding of patients' experiences, feelings and feedback on receiving SOPC services for the purpose of continuous service improvement from the patients' perspective.

The spokesperson for the HA said, "Patients attending the selected SOPCs have been randomly recruited for a telephone interview and the Survey covers important aspects including (1) Efficiency, (2) Environment and Facilities, (3) Doctor-patient Relations, and (4) Feedback Handling. The Survey was planned to be completed by December last year. Having enhanced the patient consent-seeking process and reviewed the Survey progress, the survey period has been extended to April 2019.

"Patients who have attended any of the selected 26 SOPCs will be randomly selected and invited by the HA before April 2019 to take part in the Survey. Patients' consent will be sought before transfer of any personal data to the JCSPHPC. Staff of the JCSPHPC will contact the patients who agreed to participate at a later time for a detailed telephone interview. Personal data provided will be handled in strict confidence and patients are free to withdraw at any time from the Survey if they change their mind."

The HA appeals to patients to actively participate in the Survey and the spokesperson stressed that healthcare staff have to understand patients' needs and their perspectives on service quality for continuous service improvement. The views expressed by patients will help the HA shape service directions and plan improvement measures to continuously enhance healthcare quality in public hospitals.

HK Public Libraries launches 40 selected e-books and roving exhibition in January to encourage e-reading

To promote e-reading, the Hong Kong Public Libraries of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department has launched an online webpage, "Take a Break — eReading Corner" for members of the public to read online or download 40 e-books selected from the library's collection until January 31. A roving exhibition will also be held in shopping malls in various districts for the public to experience the joy of e-reading.

The 40 e-books selected from the popular HyRead and SUEP Chinese e-book collections are classified into four categories — "Live Smart", "Creative Art", "Heartfelt Sharing by Celebrities" and "Joy of Reading" — according to the content and book types for readers to choose according to their personal interests and needs. By clicking www.hkpl.gov.hk/ereading-corner, members of

the public can read online or download the books without logging in to their library accounts.

The HK Public Libraries will hold a roving exhibition in shopping malls in various districts from January 5 to 31 to introduce the convenient e-reading service. An e-book experience area and photo kiosk will be available on-site, while helpers will introduce the services and give away souvenirs. The exhibition will be open from 11am to 8pm every day in the following dates and venues:

January 5 to 6	Telford Plaza, Kowloon Bay
January 5 to 11	The Pacifica Mall, Lai Chi Kok
January 6 to 13	The Laguna Mall, Hung Hom
January 7 to 16	Amoy Plaza, Kowloon Bay
January 12 to 18	Tai Po Mega Mall
January 14 to 20	Sun Tuen Mun Centre
January 17 to 21	MCP Central, Tseung Kwan O
January 19 to 31	Langham Place, Mong Kok
January 21 to 31	MOSTown, Ma On Shan
January 22 to 31	Chi Fu Landmark, Pok Fu Lam

The HK Public Libraries has a rich pool of e-resources providing a wide range of e-books and e-databases for the public. For more details, please visit www.hkpl.gov.hk/e-resources.

Suspected MERS case reported

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health today (January 3) reported a suspected case of Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS), and again urged the public to pay special attention to safety during travel, taking due consideration of the health risks in the places they visit. The case is detailed below:

Sex	Female
Age	37
Affected area involved	Dubai, United Arab Emirates
High-risk exposure	Nil
Hospital	Princess Margaret Hospital
Condition	Stable

MERS-Coronavirus	
preliminary test	Negative
result	

"Travellers to the Middle East should avoid going to farms, barns or markets with camels; avoid contact with sick persons and animals, especially camels, birds or poultry; and avoid unnecessary visits to healthcare facilities. We strongly advise travel agents organising tours to the Middle East to abstain from arranging camel rides and activities involving direct contact with camels, which are known risk factors for acquiring MERS Coronavirus (MERS-CoV)," a spokesman for the CHP said.

Locally, the CHP's surveillance with public and private hospitals, with practising doctors and at boundary control points is firmly in place. Inbound travellers and members of the public who recently visited the Middle East and developed fever or lower respiratory symptoms within 14 days will be classified as suspected MERS cases. They will be taken to public hospitals for isolation and management until their specimens test negative for MERS-CoV.

Travellers to affected areas should maintain vigilance, adopt appropriate health precautions and take heed of personal, food and environmental hygiene. The public may visit the MERS pages of the CHP and its Travel Health Service, MERS statistics in affected areas, the CHP's Facebook Page and YouTube Channel, and the World Health Organization's latest news for more information and health advice. Tour leaders and tour guides operating overseas tours are advised to refer to the CHP's health advice on MERS.

SHA expresses deep sorrow at passing of the Most Reverend Michael Yeung

The Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, today (January 3) expressed deep sorrow over the passing of the Most Reverend Michael Yeung, the Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong.

Mr Lau said, "The Most Reverend Michael Yeung was profoundly dedicated in spreading the gospel and actively promoted unity and harmony within the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong. He also made tremendous contributions by leading charity work of the diocese and served the community with care. He will always be remembered."