SCST continues visit to Paris (with photos)

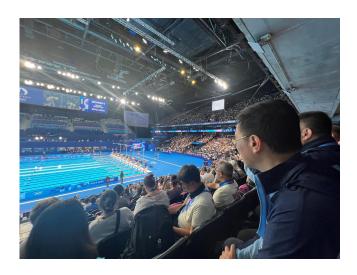
â€<The Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Mr Kevin Yeung, continued his visit to Paris, France, today (July 29, Paris time). He watched competitions participated by athletes of the Hong Kong, China Delegation and cheered for them at various competition venues over the past few days.

Mr Yeung watched Hong Kong athletes competing in the Table Tennis Women's Singles and Mixed Doubles events at the table tennis venue, and showed support to Hong Kong swimming athletes at the aquatic facility yesterday (July 28, Paris time). He will watch fencing and swimming events today.

"The presence of Hong Kong athletes at the Olympics never comes about by chance. Instead it is a recognition of their ability and perseverance. Our athletes have deserved praise for their fighting spirit. While several athletes are first-time competitors, some of them have competed once or more in the Olympics already. What they share in common are good sportsmanship and the pursuit of excellence. They make us proud. Moreover, the co-operation among their coaches and support teams, the support from the Hong Kong Sports Institute, the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China and national sports associations, as well as the encouragement and trust of their families are important. We will continue to give our full support to Hong Kong athletes and their teams to achieve good results in the Paris Olympic Games," Mr Yeung said.







Effective Exchange Rate Index

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Monday, July 29, 2024 is 106.1 (down 0.1 against last Saturday's index).

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Saturday, July 27, 2024 was 106.2 (same as last Friday's index).

Hong Kong Railway Museum to be closed temporarily

The Hong Kong Railway Museum will be closed temporarily on July 31 (Wednesday) to continue the removal of an old tree by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, and reopen on August 1 (Thursday). Please note that Tuesday is the museum's closing day.

The Hong Kong Railway Museum is located at 13 Shung Tak Street, Tai Po Market, Tai Po. For enquiries, please call 2653 3455.

Suspension of cremation service at

Kwai Chung Crematorium

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) announced today (July 29) that the Kwai Chung Crematorium will temporarily suspend cremation services starting from August 14, 2024, for the replacement of the cremators upon their expected service life and other refurbishment works. The construction works are expected to be completed and services are expected to resume by the end of 2027.

The refurbishment works are to enhance the facilities of the Kwai Chung Crematorium. During the closure period, the FEHD will release additional cremation sessions at the Cape Collinson, the Wo Hop Shek and the Fu Shan Crematoriums to maintain the overall provision of services.

The other FEHD funeral facilities and services adjacent to the Kwai Chung Crematorium, including the columbarium, Garden of Remembrance, abortus cremation facilities and temporary storage service for cremains, will maintain normal operations and will not be affected.

Murder in Yau Ma Tei

Police are investigating a murder case happened in Yau Ma Tei yesterday morning (July 28) in which a man died.

At about 6am yesterday, Police received a report that a man was found lying outside 61-63 Pilkem Street.

Police officers sped to the scene. Sustaining head injuries, the 33-year-old man was rushed to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 7.22am.

After initial investigation, Police arrested a 40-year-old man and a 32-year-old woman in Kowloon City and Yau Ma Tei respectively for murder yesterday. Investigation revealed that the arrested man was suspected of assaulting the deceased with a hammer and fled afterwards.

Police also arrested a 34-year-old woman, a 42-year-old woman and a 56-year-old man in Kowloon City for assisting an offender yesterday.

The five arrested persons are being detained for further enquiries.

Six fishing game machines and a batch of drug-inhaling apparatus in suspected connection with the case were seized from a unit on Pilkem Street.

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted later to ascertain the cause

of death of the deceased.

Active investigation by the District Crime Squad Team 3 of Yau Tsim District are under way.

Anyone who witnessed the incident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on $3661\ 9245$.