

[Territory-wide flag day today](#)

Hong Kong Children and Youth Services has been issued a Public Subscription Permit to hold a territory-wide flag sale from 7am to 12.30pm today (November 30), a spokesman for the Social Welfare Department (SWD) said.

Details of the charitable fund-raising activities, including any updated information, covered by the issued Public Subscription Permits have been published on the GovHK website (www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search). Permits for flag days containing information on contact methods of the flag-selling organisations and the approved flag-selling activities have also been uploaded to the SWD's website (www.swd.gov.hk/en/ngo/controlofc/flagdays) for reference. For enquiries, please call the SWD's hotline at 2343 2255, or the designated hotline of the 1823 Call Centre at 3142 2678.

In the case of suspected fraudulent flag day activities, people should not make any donation and should immediately report the matter to the Police, the spokesman added.

[Man holding charged with murder](#)

Police laid a holding charge against a 52-year-old man with one count of murder last night (November 29).

The man was arrested on November 28 in suspected connection with an arson and murder case happened on Prat Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui on January 25, 1997.

The case will be mentioned at West Kowloon Magistrates' Court this morning (November 30).

[Man arrested for murder](#)

Police arrested a 52-year-old man yesterday (November 28) afternoon in suspected connection with the arson and murder case happened on Prat Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui on January 25, 1997. The shop involved in the case was extensively damaged and 17 people were killed.

After in-depth investigation, officers of the Organized Crime and Triad Bureau (OCTB) arrested the man for murder in Tin Shui Wai.

The arrested man is being detained for further enquiries.

Active investigations by OCTB is underway.

OCTB took over the investigation in 1997 and successfully arrested multiple suspects in the same year. Four of the arrestees were subsequently charged with murder. Three of them were sentenced to life imprisonment while one was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 11 years' imprisonment by the High Court.

Thorough investigation by OCTB led the identification of three other culprits. The then 33-year-old man, who was one of the three culprits, was eventually apprehended by the Shenzhen Public Security Bureau in Shenzhen in November 2008. He was returned to Police in December of the same year and was later convicted of murder and sentenced to life imprisonment by the High Court.

Anyone who witnessed the incident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 2527 7887.

Deputy Director of Immigration (Enforcement, Systems and Management) officiates at Passing-out Parade (with photos)

The Deputy Director of Immigration (Enforcement, Systems and Management), Mr Tai Chi-yuen, officiated at the Passing-out Parade at the Immigration Service Institute of Training and Development today (November 29) to review 215 officers on parade, consisting of 76 Immigration Officers and 139 Immigration Assistants.

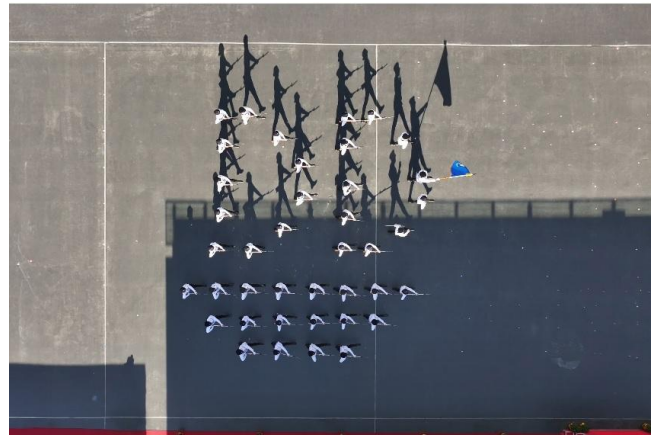
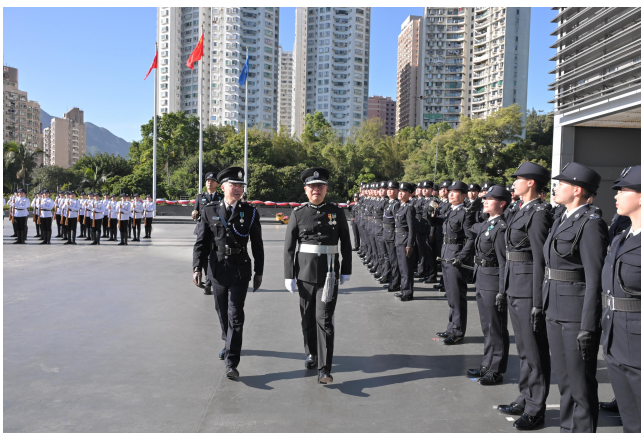
In his speech, Mr Tai commended the Immigration Department (ImmD)'s colleagues who have remained dedicated to their duties and guard tightly the country's southern gateway. He said that while the ImmD spares no effort in safeguarding national security, it has always been the ImmD's commitment to provide quality immigration clearance, visa and personal documentation collection services. Mr Tai said he believed that the ImmD would continue to make optimal use of technology to face the challenges ahead, and would

continue to innovate, and enhance the work efficiency and service quality.

He also looked back over his 30 years of service with the ImmD, having witnessed the unified and sustainable development of the department. He said that he was honoured to have worked together with such a professional team over the years in contributing to Hong Kong. The commissioning of the ImmD's new headquarters in Tseung Kwan O in mid-2024, he said, marked a perfect ending to his career.

Mr Tai encouraged the graduates to stay as motivated as they were during their induction training, hold on to their original aspirations and serve the public with dedication, upholding the law without fear. He asked the graduates to take up the torch from their predecessors and continue to excel in different positions, show great fortitude to seek changes and breakthroughs to pursue the goal of "being the foremost immigration service in the world in effectiveness and efficiency".

During the parade, the Immigration Band played several pieces of Chinese military band music and patriotic songs as well as pop classics, whereas the Guard of Honour assembled to form a two-masted ship, and then goose stepped in synchronicity to the dais in the Chinese-style footdrill performance, symbolising that the ImmD will brave the wind and billows, discharging its duties steadfastly, while the graduates are anticipated to forge ahead towards a bright future.





Missing man in Western District located

Â Â Â Â A man who went missing in Western District has been located.

Â Â Â Â Lo Yiu-man, aged 64, went missing after he was last seen in a hospital on Pok Fu Lam Road yesterday (November 28) afternoon. His family then made a report to Police.

Â Â Â Â The man was located in a hospital on Wing Hong Street, Cheung Sha Wan tonight (November 29). No suspicious circumstances were detected.