<u>Award Ceremony of Most Improved</u> <u>Trainees of the Youth Employment and</u> <u>Training Programme 2023 cum Concert</u> <u>held today (with photos)</u>

The Award Ceremony of Most Improved Trainees of the Youth Employment and Training Programme (YETP) 2023 cum Concert, co-organised by the Labour Department (LD) and Radio 2 of Radio Television Hong Kong, was held today (August 25) to commend the distinguished trainees of the YETP, which is a programme run by the LD. The award ceremony was themed "Fly with YETP". Most Improved Trainees Awards were presented to 10 outstanding trainees who achieved significant improvements in personal development, leadership or work performance during the training period. Merit Awards were also given to 10 other trainees to encourage them to work hard in realising their career goals.

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Mr Chris Sun, said that young people are the future of society. The YETP of the LD has been co-operating with social partners to assist young people in creating extraordinary career journeys by supporting them to enter the labour market and master work skills, thereby boosting their employment competitiveness.

Mr Sun also expressed gratitude to stakeholders for the efforts they made for the trainees. He pointed out that the advancement of the awardees had not come easy. Apart from their own dedication, the concerted efforts of employers, service providers and case managers in providing them with work opportunities and assistance were indispensable. He encouraged young people to equip themselves and seize every opportunity during their career journey to contribute to the future of Hong Kong and the development of the nation.

The YETP is open to young school leavers aged 15 to 24 with educational attainment at a sub-degree level or below. Enrolment in the YETP is free of charge. Services offered include pre-employment training, workplace attachment training, on-the-job salaried training and case management services provided by registered social workers.

For details, please visit the YETP's website at <u>www.yes.labour.gov.hk</u>. The LD has also set up a Youth Employment Services hotline at 2112 9932 to provide a one-stop enquiry service regarding the programme and receive registrations of on-the-job training vacancies from employers.





