Award Presentation Ceremony and Project Exhibition of Smart City Project Programme 2018-19 held

The Award Presentation Ceremony and Project Exhibition of the Smart City Project Programme was held today (June 28) at the Charles K Kao Auditorium of the Hong Kong Science Park. The Under Secretary for Education, Dr Choi Yuklin, officiated at the ceremony and shared the joy of the awardees.

Organised by the Education Bureau, the Programme aimed to enhance students' understanding of the concept of smart city and strengthen their integration and application of related knowledge and skills to support the future development direction of Hong Kong. All primary and secondary students of Hong Kong were invited to participate in the Programme.

Speaking at the ceremony, Dr Choi said that smart city has become a global development trend of advanced cities in the 21st century. It is the vision of the Government to develop Hong Kong into a world-class smart city.

She praised the students' projects for their unique features and expressed the belief that the Programme had not only greatly enhanced students' creativity as well as collaborative and problem-solving skills, but also nurtured their humanistic qualities and care for others, giving students meaningful learning experiences.

The Programme received a very encouraging response. Over 320 teams formed by around 1 300 primary and secondary students participated in the Programme, and more than 270 teams completed and submitted their projects. Fifteen teams with projects awarded as "outstanding" have been invited to join Smart City Study Trips outside Hong Kong to learn about the development of smart cities.

The Programme consisted of three categories: primary (Primary Four to Primary Six), junior secondary (Secondary One to Secondary Three) and senior secondary (Secondary Four to Secondary Six). Students who participated in the Programme were invited to conduct projects on smart city under the themes "Smart Living", "Smart Environment" and "Smart Hong Kong for Tomorrow" respectively. Activities included a project exhibition, supplemented by a series of events for students, such as induction trips on smart city, day camps, study trips outside Hong Kong and summer camps on STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) education, as well as seminars and workshops for both teachers and students, through which students designed projects with STEM-related elements and suggested innovative ways to realise the ideas of smart city in the development levels of home, school, community and city environment.

A list of the awardees has been uploaded to the Liberal Studies Web-

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