

Body found case in Sheung Shui reclassified as manslaughter, preventing the lawful burial of a body and trafficking in dangerous drugs case

Police reclassified a body found case happened in Sheung Shui on December 23 as manslaughter, preventing the lawful burial of a body and trafficking in dangerous drugs case, in which a 22-year-old man died.

At around 8.15am on December 23, Police received a report that a man was found collapsed in an open area next to a village house at Fanling Wai in Sheung Shui. Police officers sped to the scene and found the 22-year-old man lying on the floor. Sustaining abrasions on his head and feet, he was certified dead at scene. The case was classified as body found case.

Police investigation revealed that on the night of December 22, the deceased had visited a village house on Fanling Wai, where someone allegedly injected him with suspected drugs. The deceased subsequently fell into a coma, and five men in the unit are suspected of carrying the deceased out of the unit and moving him to the aforementioned open area. The case was reclassified as manslaughter, preventing the lawful burial of a body and trafficking in dangerous drugs case.

Police arrested three men in suspected connection with the case in Sheung Shui on December 25 and 26. The 51-year-old man was arrested for manslaughter, preventing the lawful burial of a body and trafficking in dangerous drugs; the 62-year-old man was arrested for manslaughter and preventing the lawful burial of a body; while the 20-year-old man was arrested for preventing the lawful burial of a body.

During the operation, a small quantity of suspected methamphetamine in suspected connection with the case was seized.

All arrested men are being detained for further enquiries.

Post-mortem examinations will be conducted later to ascertain the cause of death of the deceased.

Investigation by the District Crime Squad of Tai Po is underway. Police do not rule out the possibility that more arrests will be made. Anyone who witnessed the case or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 3547.