## <u>CE holds engagement sessions with</u> <u>HKSAR deputies to NPC and HKSAR</u> <u>members of National Committee of CPPCC</u> <u>(with photos)</u>

The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, held engagement sessions yesterday and today (February 20 and 21) to exchange views with about 30 Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) deputies to the National People's Congress (NPC) and over 100 HKSAR members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) respectively, before they attend the second annual session of the 14th NPC and the second session of the 14th CPPCC National Committee to be held in Beijing in early March. Also attending the engagement sessions were the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Chan Kwok-ki; the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Erick Tsang Kwok-wai; and the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Ms Carol Yip.

Mr Lee pointed out that the HKSAR deputies to the NPC and HKSAR members of the National Committee of the CPPCC, as members of the country's major institutions and leaders from various sectors, care for and are familiar with matters of the country and Hong Kong. He said that the HKSAR Government has taken forward the regular exchange mechanism in accordance with the Policy Address last year to enhance communication with the HKSAR deputies to the NPC and HKSAR members of the National Committee of the CPPCC, with a view to uniting patriots with affection for the country and the city, and facilitating the exchange of views on important policies of the HKSAR Government.

Mr Lee expressed his gratitude to the HKSAR deputies to the NPC and HKSAR members of the National Committee of the CPPCC who attended the sessions for providing constructive suggestions on Hong Kong's active integration into national development, promoting the high-quality development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and improving local economy and people's livelihood. These suggestions will enable Hong Kong to better leverage its advantages of enjoying the strong support of the motherland and being closely connected to the world, and capitalise on Hong Kong's strengths to contribute to the needs of the country.



