

CE meets Governor of Guangdong Province (with photo)

The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, met the Governor of Guangdong Province, Mr Wang Weizhong, at Government House today (March 18) to exchange views on a wide range of issues including further strengthening co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong and promoting the high-quality development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA). Also attending the meeting were the Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Cheuk Wing-hing; the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Erick Tsang Kwok-wai; the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Ms Carol Yip; and the Commissioner for the Development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, Ms Maisie Chan.

Mr Lee welcomed Mr Wang's visit to Hong Kong with his delegation. Mr Lee said that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government attaches great importance to Hong Kong's better integration into national development and the formulation of strategic plans for Hong Kong to dovetail with the national strategies. The current-term Government has established the Steering Group on Integration into National Development to steer and co-ordinate the work on Hong Kong's integration into the overall national development, including the key national strategies such as the National 14th Five-Year Plan, the development of the GBA and the Belt and Road Initiative, as well as regional co-operation between the HKSAR and various provinces, cities and autonomous regions on the Mainland, Mr Lee added.

Mr Lee said that the HKSAR Government will continue to actively maintain close communication with relevant central ministries and the Guangdong Provincial Government and strengthen publicity and briefing of several important planning documents promulgated by the Central Government to promote the development of the GBA, including the Overall Development Plan for the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Co-operation Zone and the Three-year Action Plan for the Development of International First-class Business Environment in the GBA. The HKSAR Government will also continue to enhance co-operation with the Guangdong Provincial Government and the Shenzhen Municipal Government, with a view to fostering a greater flow of people, goods, capital and information within the GBA and enhancing wider and deeper interconnectivity among GBA cities.

