

CE to lead delegation to Shenzhen and Beijing in celebration of 40th anniversary of country's reform and opening up

â€‹To celebrate the 40th anniversary of the reform and opening up of the country, the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, will lead a delegation to visit Shenzhen and Beijing from November 10 to 12. The delegation comprises members of various sectors of the community who have made profound contributions to the reform and opening up of the country and to Hong Kong.

The Financial Secretary, Mr Paul Chan; the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Patrick Nip; the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau; and the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Mr Chan Kwok-ki, will join the visit.

The delegation will depart for Shenzhen on November 10 to visit a thematic exhibition on the 40th anniversary of the country's reform and opening up. They will also visit another exhibition and an iconic site relating to reform and opening up in Qianhai.

While in Beijing from November 11 to 12, the delegation will be received by the state leaders. It will also attend a seminar co-organised by the National Development and Reform Commission and the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council which will review the history of Hong Kong's participation in the reform and opening up of the country, and look ahead to the key development aspects of the country's further reform and opening up as well as Hong Kong's role in the overall development of the country.

Mrs Lam will return to Hong Kong on November 12. During her absence, the Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, and the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, will be Acting Chief Executive. Ms Cheng will be Acting Chief Executive until Mr Cheung returns from Switzerland to Hong Kong on November 10.