

China Manned Space Exhibition receives its 150 000th visitor (with photos)

The China Manned Space Exhibition, which is being staged at the Hong Kong Science Museum (HKScM) and the Hong Kong Museum of History (HKMH), has received overwhelming response from the local public and tourists since its opening on December 1 last year. The exhibition welcomed its 150 000th visitor today (January 21).

To thank the public for their support to this exhibition which showcases the history and remarkable achievements of China's manned space development, the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services, Mr Vincent Liu; the Museum Director of the HKScM, Mr Lawrence Lee; and the Museum Director of the HKMH, Mr Ng Chi-wo, warmly greeted the 150 000th visitor and presented an exhibition poster and a gift pack of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to the visitor today. The 150 000th visitor is from the Liu and Wang families from Chongqing. The two families also visited the exhibition at the National Museum of China in Beijing in July last year. During their visit to Hong Kong this time, they specially arranged to visit the HKScM and the HKMH. Mr Liu expressed his excitement to once again see the return capsule of the Shenzhou manned spacecraft in person, witnessing the swift progress of the nation's aerospace development. The two ten-year-old girls particularly enjoyed the interactive exhibits in the exhibition.

The exhibition is partitioned into two zones, situated at the HKScM and the HKMH respectively. Within these zones, approximately 30 groups of exhibits are showcased, offering visitors an opportunity to delve deeper into the history and accomplishments of China's manned space program. The 1/F Main Lobby of the HKMH houses an exhibition area dedicated to the chronicles of China's manned space development, presenting visitors with a captivating glimpse into the remarkable three-decade journey toward this ambitious goal. On the 2/F Exhibition Hall of the HKScM, visitors can explore noteworthy engineering feats of China's manned space program and its exhilarating prospects for future development. Highlighted exhibits include the Shenzhou spacecraft return capsule, an intravehicular space suit, a model of the space station, various carrier rocket models such as Long March-2F, Long March-7, Long March-5B, and models of the new-generation manned spacecraft and lunar lander.

The exhibition is jointly presented by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the China Manned Space Agency, and organised by the LCSD. It will run until February 18 at the HKScM and the HKMH with free admission. For details of the exhibition, please visit hk.science.museum/en/web/scm/exhibition/cmse.html, or call 2732 3232 for enquiries.

