<u>Cinemas Subsidy Scheme open for applications</u>

The Cinemas Subsidy Scheme, which is established under the second round of the Anti-epidemic Fund (AEF), is now open for applications from today (April 20) to April 30 to support the cinema operators.

The Scheme will provide a one-off subsidy of \$100,000 per screen to each cinema licensed as a place of public entertainment with commercial operation in March 2020. The maximum subsidy for a cinema circuit is \$3 million.

The application details of the Scheme are available at the Create Hong Kong website (www.createhk.gov.hk).

Under the AEF, the Government will also provide rental assistance from May 2020 to the tenants of the local creative landmark PMQ as well as subsidies to the printing and publishing sector for participation in the next Hong Kong Book Fair.