

Civil Aid Service Cadet Corps 50th Anniversary Parade cum Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Youth Training Sharing Session (with photos)

The Civil Aid Service (CAS) Cadet Corps held its 50th Anniversary Parade at the CAS Headquarters today (September 9). The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, officiated at the reviewing ceremony.

Addressing at the parade, Mr Cheung said that the CAS Cadet Corps, established in 1968, aimed to encourage young people to develop skills and leadership and to build their confidence and sense of responsibility by participating in group activities and training which were beneficial to their development.

In 2017, the CAS Cadet Corps introduced the School Partnership Scheme, which provided disciplinary and leadership training for secondary students fitting in their school schedule. The scheme has been well received by the education sector and has attracted the participation of 21 schools since last year. In order to nurture more young people to become future leaders of our community, the HKSAR Government will provide strong support for the enlargement of the CAS Cadet Corps establishment to 4 000, which allows more students to join the Cadet Corps.

The Parade was followed by the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Youth Training Sharing Session. Youth training leaders in various cities in the Bay Area were invited to attend. Officiating at the opening ceremony, Mr Cheung expressed the hope that the sharing session would facilitate youth training and development organisations in the Bay Area to establish closer links with each other and share experience for the building of a more effective communication platform so as to lay a solid foundation for further exchanges and co-operation in the future.

The CAS Cadet Corps has taken a proactive approach to promote national education over the last decade. The cadets gain a better understanding of our country and a stronger sense of national identity through visits to Zhongshan, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Huizhou and Jiangmen. The CAS Cadet Corps will continue to cooperate with the cities in the Bay Area to provide more exchange opportunities to young people in the area for a better understanding of one another.

