## Commissioner of Customs and Excise attends opening ceremony of National Studies Course for Middle and Senior Managers of Customs and Excise Department (with photos)

The Commissioner of Customs and Excise, Ms Louise Ho, attended the opening ceremony of the National Studies Course for Middle and Senior Managers of the Customs and Excise Department (C&ED) at the National Academy of Governance in Beijing today (October 13).

Ms Ho in her speech acknowledged the special meaning of the course, which was resumed for the first time since the full resumption of normal travel early this year. In addition to encouraging the course participants to enhance their theoretical foundation for governance, she called on them to put that knowledge into practice by applying it to the work of the C&ED with the actual circumstances in Hong Kong taken into account. The course participants also needed to deepen their understanding of the national development and determine the current international situation from a national strategic perspective in order to better fulfil the department's duties and mission of safeguarding the country's gateway and fostering development.

The course is one of the key national studies programmes of the C&ED. It targets to nurture future leaders of the department who will contribute to good governance in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and the steadfast and successful implementation of "one country, two systems", as well as the stability and long-term prosperity of the country and Hong Kong. A total of 25 middle and senior managers of the department have participated in this nine-day course.





