<u>Correctional officers intercept</u> <u>smuggling of suspected dangerous drugs</u> <u>into Tai Lam Centre for Women</u>

Correctional officers at Tai Lam Centre for Women today (November 17) intercepted a female remand person in custody smuggling suspected dangerous drugs into the centre by concealing it inside her body.

The 35-year-old person in custody was remanded in the institution for the offence of trafficking in dangerous drugs on November 8. She was suspected to have swallowed suspected dangerous drugs before admission. She was therefore separated and put under close monitoring.

At 10.15am today, she discharged one pack of a suspected dangerous drug with a weight of 13.5 grams wrapped in plastic. The case has been reported to the Police for follow-up.

A spokesperson for the Correctional Services Department said, "The department takes every measure to stop the introduction of dangerous drugs or unauthorised articles into correctional institutions in order to maintain good order and discipline and a drug-free environment for all persons in its custody."