

Correctional officers stop person in custody attempting suicide by hanging

Correctional officers stopped a 30-year-old female person in custody from attempting suicide by hanging in Tai Lam Centre for Women today (November 25).

At 2.54am today, correctional officers found the person in custody attempting suicide by hanging with her pajamas trousers tied to the grille bar of her cell. Officers at the scene immediately stopped her act and called for reinforcement. The person in custody was found conscious. After receiving examination and treatment, she was sent to a public hospital for further treatment. A clinical psychologist of the department will follow up on the case.

A spokesman for the Correctional Services Department said, "The department uses all possible measures to prevent persons in custody from attempting suicide or self-harm. These measures include administrative arrangements, improvement of institution facilities, staff training and first aid services."

The person in custody was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of trafficking in a dangerous drug in October 2018.