

Correctional officers stop person in custody from committing suicide by hanging

â€œCorrectional officers stopped a 52-year-old female person in custody from committing suicide by hanging in Tai Lam Centre for Women today (November 28).

At 1.07am today, a correctional officer found the person in custody attempting suicide by hanging with a bedsheet tied to the grille bars of her cell. The officer immediately called for reinforcement to rescue and provide first-aid treatment to her. The person in custody was found conscious at the time and was subsequently 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 March 2023.