

## CSTB convenes meeting to co-ordinate preparation for visitor arrivals to Hong Kong during Chinese New Year Golden Week of Mainland (with photos)

The Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau convened a meeting today (January 15) to co-ordinate the preparation for visitor arrivals to Hong Kong during the eight-day Chinese New Year Golden Week of the Mainland from February 10 to 17. The meeting was hosted by the Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Mr Kevin Yeung, with representatives attending from government departments including Hong Kong Customs, the Hong Kong Police Force, the Immigration Department, the Transport Department, and various District Offices. Representatives from various tourism-related organisations including the Travel Industry Authority, the Hong Kong Tourism Board, the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong, the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, major tourist attractions and the hotel industry also attended.

Mr Yeung said, "In anticipation of the increased number of visitors arriving in Hong Kong during the Chinese New Year Golden Week of the Mainland, government departments and relevant organisations are working closely together, making early preparations for deployment of resources as well as stepping up co-ordination and communication with relevant Mainland counterparts so as to create good travel experiences for the visitors arriving in Hong Kong during the Golden Week."

Relevant parties will maintain close communication before the Chinese New Year Golden Week of the Mainland to create different plans and take forward various preparations for welcoming visitors to Hong Kong. Government departments will also maintain close liaison with their Mainland counterparts to monitor cross-boundary passenger traffic after large-scale activities and make adjustments accordingly to ensure smooth clearance services.

