

[DCS joins exchange and visit activity of youth delegation to Mainland comprising youth representatives from Hong Kong and Macao in Beijing \(with photos\)](#)

The Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Cheuk Wing-hing, and the Under Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Mr Clarence Leung, joined an exchange and visit activity of a youth delegation to the Mainland comprising youth representatives from Hong Kong and Macao in Beijing today (November 22).

With guidance from the Hong Kong and Macao work office of the Communist Party of China Central Committee and the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, the exchange and visit activity was jointly organised by the All-China Youth Federation, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR) Government, the Macao SAR Government, the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong SAR and the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Macao SAR. The delegation joining the activity comprises 150 youth representatives from different sectors in Hong Kong and Macao. They are visiting Beijing from November 19 to 23 to learn about the country's history and culture through first-hand experiences, and deepen their understanding of national affairs and national development.

The Vice Premier of the State Council, Mr Ding Xuexiang, accompanied by the Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Xia Baolong and the First Secretary of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League, Mr A Dong, met all members of the delegation at the Great Hall of the People. They took pictures and had an exchange session. Mr Cheuk and Mr Leung also attended.

Mr Cheuk said, "We encourage young people to engage in exchange programmes and visit more places on the Mainland, so as to become a new generation of young people with an affection for the country and Hong Kong, and are equipped with a global perspective and positive thinking. We will continue to enhance the breadth and depth of internship and exchange programmes on the Mainland to further enhance Hong Kong youth's understanding of the country and proactively integrate into the overall development of the country."

Mr Cheuk attended a sharing session in the evening and listened to Hong Kong youth representatives sharing their stories during their exchange programme on the Mainland.

Mr Cheuk will depart for Hong Kong tomorrow morning (November 23).

