EDB officer tests positive for COVID-19

A spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) said today (December 18) that an officer of the bureau has today tested positive for COVID-19.

The officer concerned works at 6/F, East Wing, Central Government Offices, Tamar, and does not have contact with members of the public in her daily work. The officer last returned to her office on December 15. She wore a face mask when performing duties in the office and observed other disease prevention measures.

In accordance with the advice of the Centre for Health Protection (CHP), the EDB has arranged a full cleaning and sterilisation of the workplace of the officer concerned, including the common areas. All staff working on the concerned office floor have already been arranged to work from home. The EDB has also advised all colleagues having contact with the officer concerned, or those who work in the vicinity of her workstation, to undergo testing for COVID-19.

During the pandemic, the EDB has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including requesting staff to wear face masks when in contact with others and at public places. Cleaning and sterilising measures for the working environment have also been stepped up. The EDB has also reminded all staff to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant at all times. They should seek medical advice immediately if they feel unwell and inform the bureau accordingly.

The EDB will continue to maintain close liaison with the CHP and cooperate with its quarantine work.