

EDB officer tests preliminarily positive for COVID-19

A spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) said today (February 7) that an officer of the bureau had tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19 today.

The officer concerned works at 3/F, 14 Taikoo Wan Road, Taikoo Shing, and does not have contact with members of the public in her daily work. The officer last returned to her office on January 27. She wore a face mask when performing duties in the office and observed other disease prevention measures.

The EDB has been following up on the case with the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health and is waiting for further instructions from the CHP. The EDB will arrange a thorough cleaning and disinfection at the premises concerned and in the officer's vicinity, and will also advise all colleagues having contact with the officer concerned, or those who work in the vicinity of her workstation, to undergo testing for COVID-19 according to the guidelines of the CHP.

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 co-operate with its quarantine work.