

Electors urged to vote in 2019 Rural Ordinary Election

The Home Affairs Department (HAD) today (January 4) called on registered electors to vote in the 2019 Village Representative (including Indigenous Inhabitant Representative and Resident Representative) Election (VRE) and Kaifong Representative Election (KFRE), which will start this Sunday (January 6).

The polling for the VRE will be held from noon to 7pm on two consecutive Sundays on January 6 and 13 while the KFRE for Cheung Chau market town will be held on January 20 (Sunday) from 8.30am to 9.30pm. Electors will receive a polling notice issued by the HAD 10 days before the polling day specifying the date, time and place of the poll. Details can also be found on the Rural Representative Election website (www.had.gov.hk/rre).

A spokesman for the HAD said, "Eligible electors are required to bring along the original of their identity document or other specific alternative documents to the designated polling station shown on the polling notice on the specified election date for their village/market town to cast their votes. The Government appeals to all electors to actively participate in the polls.

"The HAD attaches great importance to the election. With the supervision of the Electoral Affairs Commission and assistance from other government departments, we believe the election will be held in an open, honest and fair manner."

There are over 205 000 registered electors in the VRE and the KFRE, and a total of 1 834 validly nominated candidates in the upcoming elections. While 998 candidates have been returned uncontested, 836 candidates will compete for 397 seats in the VRE and 39 seats in the KFRE.

For enquiries, please call 2152 1521 or visit the Rural Representative Election website.