

# Employer fined for late payment of wages

The Incorporated Owner of Wing Kin Industrial Building was prosecuted by the Labour Department (LD) for failing to pay six employees' wages, totaling about \$72,000, within seven days after the expiry of the wage period, violating the Employment Ordinance (EO). The employer was fined a total of \$56,000 after pleading guilty at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts today (February 28).

"The ruling helps disseminate a strong message to all employers that they have to pay wages to employees within the time limit stipulated in the EO," an LD spokesman said.

"The LD will not tolerate these offences and will continue to make dedicated efforts in enforcing the law and safeguarding employees' statutory rights," the spokesman added.