

# EPD to launch 2024 Peach Blossom Trees Recycling Programme

To encourage recycling and upcycling of yard waste in the community, the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (February 6) called on members of the public and commercial and industrial (C&I) organisations to recycle peach blossom trees (PBTs) intended for disposal after the Chinese New Year under the PBTs Recycling Programme. The Programme arrangements are as follows:

- February 17 to 25;

Collection points: A central collection point at Y·PARK, and 54 district collection points (DCPs) (including 11 GREEN@COMMUNITY Recycling Stations, six Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities and 37 public refuse collection points). Please refer to the Annex for the locations and opening hours of the collection points.

- February 26 to March 2

Members of the public and C&I organisations can deliver their PBTs to Y·PARK directly during operation hours (9am to 6pm, Monday to Saturday).

An EPD spokesman said that the collection time for some DCPs will be extended to enable public participation. The PBTs collected and other yard waste will be turned into recyclable products at Y·PARK to facilitate their reuse, recycling or upcycling into decorative and wood art products and more. The Programme is limited to the recycling of PBTs. Members of the public should pay attention to clean recycling, and all decorations, including fai chun and tape, should be removed before delivery to facilitate subsequent recycling processes. They are also encouraged to replant small potted plants such as tangerine trees and reuse festival decorations to help reduce waste and conserve resources.

An e-certificate will be issued to participants who deliver PBTs to the Y·PARK or the GREEN@COMMUNITY Recycling Stations for recycling. Participants who deliver PBTs to the GREEN@COMMUNITY Recycling Stations will also receive a gift while stocks last. For details of the PBTs Recycling Programme, please visit the following website: [www.wastereduction.gov.hk/en-hk/article/2024-peach-blossom-trees-recycling-programme](http://www.wastereduction.gov.hk/en-hk/article/2024-peach-blossom-trees-recycling-programme).

The EPD also welcomes other organisations and associations to provide their own recycling services for PBTs to help the public and C&I organisations support waste reduction and carbon reduction for all.