## EPD to launch 2025 Peach Blossom Trees Recycling Programme

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (January 28) announced the details of the 2025 Peach Blossom Trees (PBTs) Recycling Programme (2025 Programme). To encourage the recovery and recycling of yard waste in the community, the EPD has organised the PBTs Recycling Programme since 2017. The PBTs collected from the programme will be processed and turned into recyclable products, such as a bulking agent for composting and mulch for gardening. The 2025 Programme will be held after the Lunar New Year holiday this year and the arrangements are as follows:

- February 5 to 13
- Collection points: A central collection point at Y·PARK, and 54 district collection points (namely 11 GREEN@COMMUNITY Recycling Stations, six Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities and 37 public refuse collection points). Please refer to the following website for the locations and opening hours of the collection points: www.wastereduction.gov.hk/sites/default/files/news/Annex\_PBT%202 025\_r0.pdf.
- February 14 to 20
- Members of the public and commercial and industrial (C&I) organisations can deliver their PBTs to  $Y \cdot PARK$  directly during operation hours (9am to 6pm, Monday to Saturday).

An EPD spokesman reminded members of the public that the 2025 Programme is limited to the recycling of PBTs. All decorations, including fai chun and tape, should be removed before delivery to facilitate the subsequent recycling processes. The public are also encouraged to replant small potted plants such as tangerine trees and reuse festival decorations to help reduce waste and conserve resources. 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.

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 Programme, please visit the following website:

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