## FEHD releases monthly allocation results for new niches at Tsang Tsui Columbarium

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) today (January 20) conducted an open drawing of lots and a computer ballot for the monthly applications for new extendable niches at Tsang Tsui Columbarium, Tuen Mun, received in December 2020 and the results have been released today.

A spokesman for the FEHD said, "The FEHD received a total of 4 378 eligible applications in December last year. Drawing of lots and computer balloting were conducted today to determine the priority of all eligible applications and the designated niches for individual successful applicants. The ballot results have been uploaded to the FEHD website (www.fehd.gov.hk) and will be available at the FEHD's Hong Kong and Kowloon Cemeteries and Crematoria Offices and Public Niche Allocation Office from tomorrow (January 21) for viewing by applicants."

He added, "The FEHD will also notify the successful applicants by SMS and email of the designated niche allocated and later issue letters in batches to invite them for completion of allocation formalities and payment of fees according to their priorities."

In order to meet the needs of bereaved families and shorten their waiting time for a public niche, the FEHD has adjusted the number of available niches for allocation so that all eligible applications were successful. Nevertheless, the total number of niches to be allocated in that columbarium will remain around 20 000 in a year.

For further enquiries about the allocation of niches, please visit the FEHD website, call 2841 9111 or send email to enquiry\_newniche@fehd.gov.hk.