## <u>First-ever "Old Master Q" stamps to be issued (with photos)</u>

Hongkong Post announced today (November 26) the release of a set of eight stamps, two stamp sheetlets and associated philatelic products on the theme of the classic comic "Old Master Q" on December 5 (Thursday). This is the first set of stamps themed on "Old Master Q" together with motifs imprinted on the gummed back of each stamp sheet as a special feature.

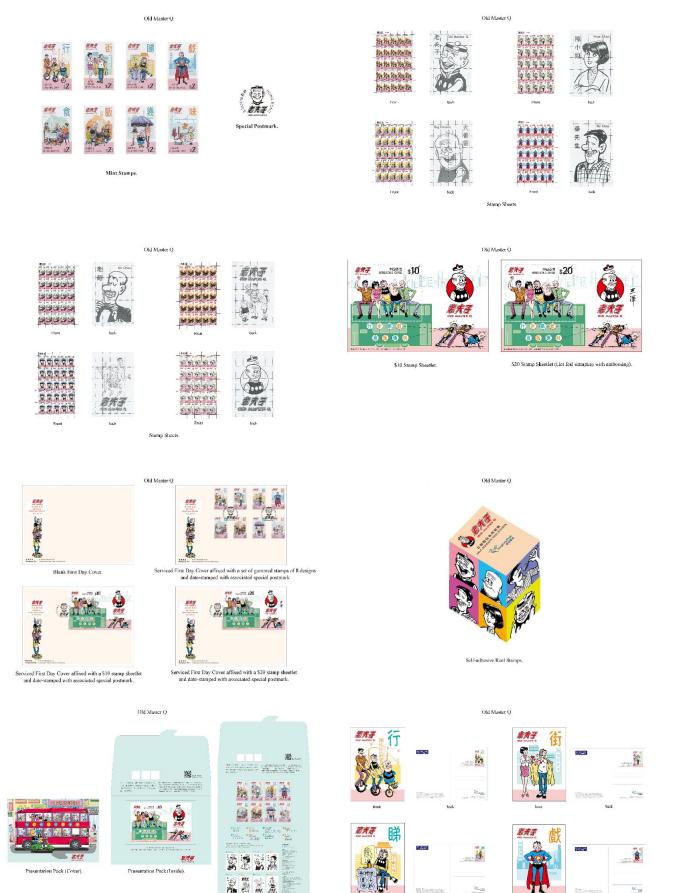
Immensely popular with the Chinese community since the 1960s, the comic has entertained generations in Hong Kong and won the hearts of young and old alike. Each of the \$2 stamps features the comic's characters, namely Old Master Q, Big Potato, Mr Chin, Mr Chao and Miss Chen, with iconic spots and landmarks in the background that retain a local sense of humour. The set of eight stamps portrays a local colloquial expression that conveys the meaning of "enjoying shopping, movies and cuisines".

Hongkong Post wishes to express its gratitude to the author of the "Old Master Q" comic, Mr Wong Chak; Museum Expert Advisor of the Hong Kong Museum of History, Mr Cheng Po-hung; and Hong Kong swimming athlete, Ms Siobhan Bernadette Haughey, who share in short videos their interesting encounters with "Old Master Q". The videos are available at the Hongkong Post website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) and other social media platforms.

This set of special stamps and associated philatelic products, including a set of eight \$2 stamps, an official first day cover, a \$10 stamp sheetlet, a \$20 stamp sheetlet with special printing effects, self-adhesive reel stamps, a presentation pack, postage prepaid picture cards and serviced first day covers will be placed on sale at post offices on December 5.

For the convenience of customers who wish to place additional orders for this set of special stamps and associated philatelic products without visiting a post office, a new round of online advance order services is now available until December 4 through the ShopThruPost platform (<a href="www.shopthrupost.hk">www.shopthrupost.hk</a>). Customers will be notified before January 22, 2020 of collecting their additional orders.

Information about this special stamp issue is available on the Hongkong Post website at <a href="https://www.hongkongpost.hk">www.hongkongpost.hk</a> or via the Hongkong Post mobile app.



Presentation Pack (Inside).

Postage Prepaid Picture Cards.

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