## <u>Fourth batch of subsidies to be</u> <u>disbursed under Temporary Unemployment</u> <u>Relief Scheme</u>

The fourth batch of subsidies under the Temporary Unemployment Relief Scheme will be disbursed to a total of about 68 000 successful applicants, which include about 29 000 applicants with accounts under the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) schemes and about 39 000 applicants without MPF accounts. Successful applicants will receive notifications via SMS message or email in turn.

A Government spokesman said that the Government has already vetted about 400 000 applications (accounting for about 85 per cent of the total number of applications), which include more than 70 000 applicants who were required by the Government-appointed agent to submit additional information. The Government is processing the remaining applications in full swing with the aim to disburse subsidies to all eligible applicants within May.

The Government will strive to announce the next batch of successful applicants within next week. Applicants may log on to the dedicated website of the Scheme (<u>www.tur.gov.hk/en/</u>) to check their application status.