

# Government announces cancellation of 2022 Che Kung Festival Fair

The Government announced today (January 21) that in view of the latest developments of the COVID-19 epidemic, it has decided to cancel the 2022 Che Kung Festival (CKF) Fair originally scheduled from January 29 to February 15 at Chui Tin Street Soccer Pitch in Sha Tin.

A spokesman for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) said, "The Government has earlier announced the cancellation of Lunar New Year fairs at 15 locations, and Fong Ma Po New Year Fair at Lam Tsuen in Tai Po this year. Taking into consideration that a large number of people may gather at the CKF Fair while there are still silent transmission chains in the community and the risk of cluster outbreaks, the Government has decided to cancel this year's CKF Fair so as to protect the health of stall owners and the public on site, and reduce the risk of spreading the disease," he added.

The FEHD will inform the successful stall bidders of the decision in writing. Apart from arranging a full refund of the stall licence fee to them in accordance with the licence agreement as soon as possible, the FEHD will also grant the licensees concerned an ex-gratia payment pitched at 50 per cent of the stall licence fee under the fifth round of the Anti-epidemic Fund.