Government extends application period of Greater Bay Area Youth Employment Scheme to December 31

The Government announced today (September 6) the extension of the application period of the Greater Bay Area (GBA) Youth Employment Scheme to December 31 to enable more enterprises and young people to join the scheme.

The Labour Department (LD) launched the regularised GBA Youth Employment Scheme in March this year to encourage enterprises with businesses in both Hong Kong and the GBA to employ university graduates of Hong Kong to work in the GBA's Mainland cities, so as to foster their career development and the exchange of talent in the GBA. As of August 31, a total of 220 enterprises had provided 2 069 job vacancies under the scheme and 333 young people had been employed.

The LD's spokesman said, "Enterprises with businesses in both Hong Kong and the GBA's Mainland cities are eligible to join the scheme. Participating enterprises shall employ eligible young people in accordance with Hong Kong laws, offer them a monthly salary of not less than HK\$18,000 and station them in the GBA's Mainland cities to work and receive on-the-job training. The Government will grant a monthly allowance of HK\$10,000 for up to 18 months to enterprises for each employed young person. Enterprises can submit job vacancies through the scheme's website (www.jobs.gov.hk/gbayes)."

The spokesman added, "Young people participating in the scheme should be Hong Kong residents lawfully employable in Hong Kong who are awarded bachelor's degrees or above from 2021 to 2023. Job vacancies under the scheme, upon the LD's vetting, have been uploaded to the scheme's website for Hong Kong young people to apply for. The deadline for graduates to apply for job vacancies under the scheme will fall on December 31. For details of the scheme, please visit the scheme's website or call the hotline 2969 0446/2969 0460.