

Grant approved for flood victims in Mainland

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has accepted the advice of the Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee and approved from the Disaster Relief Fund a grant of \$5.824 million to the Amity Foundation, Hong Kong for providing relief to flood victims in Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region and Sichuan, Shaanxi and Gansu Provinces in the Mainland.

Announcing the grant today (August 21), a spokesman for the Government said that the grant will be used to provide rice, flour, cooking oil and quilts to the victims. The Committee hoped the grant would facilitate the provision of timely relief to the victims and help them restore their normal living. The grant, together with those approved earlier, will take the accumulative value of grants for victims of this flooding in the Mainland to \$7.015 million.

"To ensure that the money is used for the designated purposes, Amity Foundation, Hong Kong will be asked to submit an evaluation report and an audited account on the use of the grant after the relief project has been completed," the spokesman said.