

Grants approved for cyclone victims in Mozambique

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 two grants totalling \$11.734 million to two agencies for providing relief to cyclone victims in Mozambique.

Announcing the grants today (May 17), a spokesman for the Government said that the two grants – one of HK\$5.08 million to World Vision Hong Kong and one of HK\$6.654 million to Oxfam Hong Kong, will be used to provide portable water filters, temporary shelter materials, temporary latrine kits as well as household and hygiene items, to benefit around 58 160 cyclone victims in Mozambique. As the targeted localities of the two relief agencies are different, there will be no overlapping of resources. The Committee hopes that the grants will facilitate the provision of timely relief to the victims and help them restore their normal living.

"To ensure that the money is used for the designated purposes, the relief agencies will be asked to submit evaluation reports and audited accounts on the use of the grants after the relief projects have been completed," the spokesman said.