## HAB recruits for more than 2 500 timelimited jobs

In view of the severe blow to various sectors in Hong Kong brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) is creating over 2 500 time-limited jobs related to culture, arts, leisure, sports and district administration under the Anti-epidemic Fund Job Creation Scheme.

A spokesman for the HAB said today (September 4), "Over 1 000 vacancies have been filled by now. Recruitment for the remaining vacancies will commence gradually. This initiative will cost around \$354 million.

"The newly created time-limited jobs, both full-time and part-time, last for six to 12 months and cover a wide range of positions in the HAB, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) and the Home Affairs Department (HAD), as well as related non-governmental organisations. The positions are suitable for candidates with different skills and qualifications."

In terms of culture and arts, the positions created will provide support, including marketing and administration, the development of a smart library system, management/operation duties and service provision, for public libraries and cultural venues for organisations such as the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, the Hong Kong Arts Development Council and the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, as well as the LCSD. The positions also provide internship opportunities for those who aim to take up a career in arts administration or stage management.

As for posts created in the field of leisure and sports, job duties will include strengthening training for athletes at the Hong Kong Sports Institute and relevant national sports associations (NSAs) of sports for persons with disabilities, enhancing the administrative support for subvented NSAs, and providing administrative and event support for the LCSD. Moreover, some other posts will be responsible for enhancing the cleaning, horticultural maintenance and management work of leisure venues.

At the same time, the HAD also plans to create jobs for performing various administrative and clerical duties.

"We will continue to conduct recruitment exercises in a timely manner in accordance with the requirements of each position. We look forward to providing time-limited job opportunities to various sectors and aim to weather the storm together with them," the spokesman said.