## HK Public Libraries launches city's second self-service library station in Tsim Sha Tsui

The Hong Kong Public Libraries (HKPL) of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) launched the city's second self-service library station today (December 13) in Tsim Sha Tsui, strengthening the provision of round-the-clock public library services for the public.

This library station is located at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre (opposite the entrance of the Studio Theatre) in Tsim Sha Tsui, and stores about 300 Chinese and English books on various subjects. Using their library card or Hong Kong identity card, HKPL registered users can borrow and return library materials, pick up reserved library materials and pay library fees and charges with Octopus at the library station on their own. The library station's stock will be replenished timely, during which services will be suspended temporarily.

The design of this library station blends in with the surrounding context. It takes reference from the unique architectural features and geometry of the Cultural Centre. Materials like fluted glass and patterned concrete panels are used. The modern and minimal design brings a fresh look to the covered space and provides a comfortable and functional library station for the public.

"Under the scheme, which was rolled out on a trial basis last December, trial points are being set up on Hong Kong Island, in Kowloon and in the New Territories. The first library station is located at Island East Sports Centre Sitting-out Area next to the Hong Kong Film Archive, and the third one, located near Tai Wai MTR Station, is expected to launch in the first half of 2019" an LCSD spokesperson said.

For details of library station services, please visit www.hkpl.gov.hk/libstation.