Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected dangerous drugs worth about \$5.6 million (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (September 23) seized about 4 kilograms of suspected cocaine and 2.5kg of suspected crack cocaine, with a total estimated market value of about \$5.6 million in Kwai Chung. A 34-year-old man suspected to be connected with the case was arrested.

Through intelligence analysis and after an in-depth investigation, Customs targeted the man who was suspected of controlling a drug storage centre at Lai King Hill Road, Kwai Chung, and arrested him in Tsuen Wan yesterday afternoon. Customs officers then escorted the man to a residential flat in Kwai Chung for a search and found the batch of suspected dangerous drugs and a batch of drug packaging paraphernalia therein.

The arrested man, who claimed to be a maintenance workman, has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. He will appear at the West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (September 25).

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form (eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002).

