

## “Hong Kong Guide” and “e-HongKongGuide” 2020 edition published (with photos)

The "Hong Kong Guide" 2020 edition produced by the Lands Department (LandsD) went on sale today (January 23). The new "e-HongKongGuide", an electronic map book, is also available online.

The new 432-page "Hong Kong Guide" provides detailed maps of Hong Kong with indexes for streets, places and villages, estates and buildings, schools, public services and leisure and cultural facilities, as well as information on public transportation. The streets and places and villages indexes can serve as gazetteers for names of streets and geographical places in Hong Kong.

With the theme "Milestones in Survey and Mapping", the "Hong Kong Guide" 2020 reviews the development of survey and mapping technologies and map products in Hong Kong over the past half-century, and showcases the upcoming survey and mapping services.

A spokesman for the LandsD said, "The Survey and Mapping Office (SMO) of the LandsD not only provides professional and reliable services on land survey and map production, but is also committed to introducing state-of-the-art survey and mapping technologies and providing services to cater for the public's needs. The feature section of the 'Hong Kong Guide' this year displays the 3D visualisation map, which will be available at the Hong Kong GeoData Store later this year."

The spokesman added that the Hong Kong Smart City Blueprint announced by the Government in 2017 has specified the target of introducing different types of 3D digital maps and 3D pedestrian networks by 2023. The SMO of the LandsD is working towards this goal, making efforts in developing the related technologies and designing brand new map products.

The 2020 edition of the "e-HongKongGuide", an electronic version of the "Hong Kong Guide", is available for browsing and free download at the LandsD's website ([www.landsd.gov.hk/mapping/en/download/ehkg.htm](http://www.landsd.gov.hk/mapping/en/download/ehkg.htm)).

A collection of maps in GeoPDF format, the "e-HongKongGuide" can be read by different applications on desktop computers and mobile devices in an offline mode. By using free tools available on the web, users can read co-ordinates, track positions using a GPS device, search co-ordinates, search text and information, add personalised images and information, and share with friends.

The "Hong Kong Guide" 2020 edition, priced at \$89, is available at all LandsD SMO sales outlets, the General Post Office, Kowloon Central Post

Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Mong Kok Post Office, Kwun Tong Post Office, Tuen Mun Central Post Office, designated local bookstores and the SMO's online map shop ([www.hkmapservice.gov.hk](http://www.hkmapservice.gov.hk)). Information on the SMO's sales outlets is available at [www.landsd.gov.hk/mapping/en/pro&ser/outlet.htm](http://www.landsd.gov.hk/mapping/en/pro&ser/outlet.htm). For enquiries, call 2231 3187.

