## Land-based cross-boundary transport services

The services of cross-boundary coach, shuttle bus (Gold Bus) (for Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port only) and local public transport at Shenzhen Bay Port and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port are in normal operation today (February 4).

"The public transport operations at the above two boundary control points are smooth in general today. As at 4pm today, the total number of passengers travelling via Shenzhen Bay Port and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port is about 21 960 and 6 480 respectively. We note that the total number of cross-boundary passengers using the two boundary control points has not increased so far as compared to the total number of cross-boundary passengers of yesterday (i.e. before the suspension of immigration clearance for passengers of the Lok Ma Chau Control Point and the Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau Stations). The total number of cross-boundary passengers travelling via the two control points as at 4pm today is about 20 per cent of the total number of cross-boundary passengers for all the rail-based and land-based boundary control points of yesterday (February 3)", a spokesman for the Transport Department (TD) said.

"Regarding public transport services, the services of cross-boundary coach, shuttle bus (Gold Bus) (for Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port only) and local public transport serving Shenzhen Bay Port and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port are able to cater for passenger demand. We note that the number of cross-boundary passengers at Shenzhen Bay Port has increased slightly as at 4pm today. However, it remains at a low level comparing with that of normal days", the spokesman added.

The TD has approved different cross-boundary coach operators operating at Shenzhen Bay Port to provide cross-boundary coach services via Shenzhen Bay Port at Sheung Wan, Wan Chai, Prince Edward/Mong Kok, Tuen Mun and Tsuen Wan. Regarding the introduction of three new cross-boundary coach routes and frequency enhancement by China Travel Service (Hong Kong) Limited (CTS) as reported by the media, according to CTS, they provide cross-boundary coach services in accordance with the routing and frequency approved by the TD. The TD has not allowed operators to introduce new routes or enhance frequency of routes using Shenzhen Bay Port in view of the suspension of immigration clearance services of some land-based boundary control points. The TD has requested CTS to correct the relevant information.

The TD will continue to monitor the operation of public transport services serving Shenzhen Bay Port and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port. Passengers should pay attention to the Government's latest announcements about the cross-boundary transport news and approach the operators concerned to enquire the detailed service arrangement.