## LCSD appeals to public to avoid swimming and gathering at temporarily closed beaches

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) appealed to members of the public today (April 25) that, in view of the situation of COVID-19 and the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation (Cap 599G), gazetted beaches are temporarily closed and lifesaving services at the beaches are suspended. The public should neither swim nor gather at the beaches to achieve social distancing and to avoid accidents.

Staff of the LCSD will step up patrols of the beaches concerned. Appropriate follow-up action will be taken against any violation of relevant regulations.