

Mainland expert delegation visits local institutions and facilities related to anti-epidemic work (with photos)

The Mainland epidemic prevention and control expert delegation today (November 21) conducted its visit in Hong Kong for the second day to local institutions and facilities related to anti-epidemic work, which included ports, healthcare facilities, quarantine centre, contact tracing office, etc, and met with relevant personnel to exchange views and share experiences.

The Mainland expert delegation started the day by visiting the Hong Kong International Airport to learn about the measures implemented at the airport to guard against the importation of cases and to lower as far as possible the risk of the virus importing into Hong Kong and the Mainland. These included segregation arrangements for Mainland and international flights, the requirements for airport workers to be vaccinated and to undergo more frequent testing, etc. The expert delegation also visited the Airport Food Inspection Office of the Centre for Food Safety of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department at the airport's Cathay Pacific Cargo Terminal, to inspect the sampling of imported frozen food.

Afterwards, the expert delegation paid a visit to the North Lantau Hospital Hong Kong Infection Control Centre to learn about the Hospital Authority's treatment arrangements for confirmed COVID-19 patients. The expert delegation was briefed about the measures and restrictions applicable to catering premises in a restaurant in Tung Chung.

In the afternoon, the expert delegation visited Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port to gain more understanding on the quarantine, immigration and customs clearance for passengers and goods vehicles. They then proceeded to Penny's Bay Quarantine Centre on Lantau Island to learn about its latest operations.

The expert delegation then made a visit to the Contact Tracing Office (CTO) of the Centre of Health Protection at Kai Tak Community Hall to understand the epidemiological investigations and contact tracing for confirmed cases.

The Mainland expert delegation is organised by the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council (HKMAO) and the National Health Commission. Members include epidemic prevention and control experts from the National Health Commission, the Guangdong Province, Shenzhen and Zhuhai. The HKMAO and the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region are also represented.

