

Opening ceremony for Reconstruction of the Sharp Island Pier under Signature Project Scheme of Sai Kung District held (with photos)

An opening ceremony for Reconstruction of the Sharp Island Pier under the Signature Project Scheme (SPS) of Sai Kung District was held at Sharp Island Pier in Sai Kung today (June 9).

The Government earmarked a provision of \$100 million for each District Council under the SPS to implement signature projects upon its endorsement, so as to enhance district administration and better address local needs. Reconstruction of the Sharp Island Pier is one of the two projects endorsed by the Sai Kung District Council (SKDC).

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam; the Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah; the Chairman of the SKDC, Mr Ng Sze-fuk; and other guests officiated at the plaque unveiling ceremony, signifying the official opening of the new pier.

Sharp Island is part of the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark. With the significant increase in the number of tourists visiting Sharp Island in recent years, the capacity of the old pier had become insufficient to cater for the needs. In view of this, the SKDC proposed to reconstruct Sharp Island Pier through the SPS by extending the length and depth of the berth, and improving the berthing facilities of the pier for convenient access by tourists.

The new pier provides two berthing locations and basic marine facilities such as mooring dolphins, fenders and navigation lights. It is also equipped with ancillary facilities including a shelter, lighting, railings and chairs for the convenience of tourists.

Other officiating guests of the opening ceremony included the Director of Home Affairs, Miss Janice Tse; the Director of Civil Engineering and Development, Mr Ricky Lau; the Chairman of the Signature Project Scheme Committee under the SKDC, Mr Francis Chau; and the District Officer (Sai Kung), Mr David Chiu.

