

Police open fire in Yau Ma Tei

Police are investigating a police open fire case in Yau Ma Tei this afternoon (March 16).

At about 12.30pm, Police officers patrolling at the junction of Reclamation Street and Saigon Street found a 54-year-old man armed with a knife running towards Pak Hoi Street. Police officers gave pursuit. The 54-year-old man ran into a shop at the junction of Reclamation Street and Pak Hoi Street, and attacked a 50-year-old male staff member with the knife. After giving verbal warning but in vain, a male police constable fired one shot at the 54-year-old man when the 54-year-old man attempted to attack the male staff member with the knife again.

Sustaining a shot wound to his chest, the 54-year-old man was sent to Kwong Wah Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 1.21pm; while the 50-year-old male staff member sustained a cut wound to his head and was sent to Kwong Wah Hospital in conscious state.

Investigation by the Regional Crime Unit of Kowloon West Region is under way. Anyone who witnessed the case or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 8255.