

Public consultation on implementation of UN International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

The Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau (CMAB) invites public views on the implementation of the United Nations International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (the Covenant) in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) starting from today (December 24).

The Central People's Government (CPG) will submit China's third report under the Covenant. The HKSAR Government will submit its report to the CPG on the implementation of the Covenant in the HKSAR for incorporation as part of China's report.

In accordance with the established practice, the Government has prepared an outline of the topics for inclusion in the report to facilitate public comments on relevant issues. Copies of the outline of the report can be obtained from the Home Affairs Enquiry Centres of District Offices. It is also available on the CMAB website at www.cmab.gov.hk.

"Members of the public may submit their views to us by February 4, 2019, on the implementation of the Covenant in respect of the topics in the outline, or suggest any additional topics that they consider we ought to include in the report of the HKSAR. We will consider carefully all the comments and suggestions received in drafting the report," a CMAB spokesman said.

Members of the public who would like to express their views can write to the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau (Team 5), 12/F, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar; or send their submissions by fax to 2840 0657, or by email to icescr_consultation@cmab.gov.hk.