

SB and its disciplined services hold Constitution Day Flag Raising Ceremony (with photos/video)

Today (December 4) is Constitution Day. The Security Bureau (SB) led its six disciplined services to hold the Constitution Day Flag Raising Ceremony at the Immigration Service Institute of Training and Development, with a view to enhancing public understanding of the constitutional basis and order of the country and Hong Kong, as well as promoting the spirit of the Constitution.

The Secretary for Justice, Mr Paul Lam, SC, officiated at the ceremony. At the ceremony, the disciplined services ceremonial guard and the flag party comprising more than 100 members marched into the venue with Chinese-style foot drill and conducted the flag-raising ceremony during the playing and singing of the national anthem with a fly-past by a helicopter of the Government Flying Service (GFS). The ceremony was concluded by the Immigration Band's military tattoo.

Addressing the ceremony, Mr Lam said the Constitution is the fundamental law of the state with supreme legal force and status in the national legal system. Only by upholding the spirit of the Constitution and the rule of law can Hong Kong effectively implement "one country, two systems", "Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong" and a high degree of autonomy, and continue to leverage Hong Kong's unique advantages. He encouraged members of the disciplined services to do their utmost to shoulder the sacred responsibility of safeguarding national security, enhance members of the public's understanding of the constitutional order, build their sense of nationhood and strengthen national identity.

Participating disciplined services in the flag-raising ceremony included the Immigration Department, the Customs and Excise Department, the Fire Services Department, the Correctional Services Department, the Hong Kong Police Force and the GFS.

The flag-raising ceremony was broadcast live via Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) TV 32, the Facebook/Instagram pages of the SB and the disciplined services, the websites of RTHK and the Information Services Department, and the YouTube channel of RTHK to allow the public to participate together to enhance awareness of the Constitution.

