

SCED visits Kwun Tong District (with photos)

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau, today (April 12) visited Kwun Tong District, where he toured a business incubator and Fly the Flyover (FF) 02 and 03 near the Kwun Tong waterfront. He also met with members of the Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) to get a better understanding of the district's latest developments.

Mr Yau first visited TusPark Hong Kong and was briefed on its operation, services and facilities. TusPark Hong Kong commenced operation in 2015 and is dedicated to supporting innovation and technology start-ups, as well as their expansion into the markets of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and South East Asia by providing co-working spaces, cross-border resources and information sharing services and other support. During the visit, Mr Yau chatted with young entrepreneurs and learned about their experience in starting up businesses.

Mr Yau said the Government is committed to helping Hong Kong enterprises to develop overseas markets. He recently led a business mission to Georgia and Hungary, in which representatives of start-ups also joined to explore business opportunities in different markets.

Mr Yau then proceeded to FF02 and FF03, where he visited various facilities managed and operated by a non-profit making organisation, HKALPS Limited, including an open stage, a gallery and urban farms. To better utilise the unused spaces beneath Kwun Tong Bypass, the Energizing Kowloon East Office initiated the "Fly the Flyover Operation" to convert the sites for creative, arts and cultural uses. The launch of FF02 and FF03 not only provides venues for different parties to organise cultural performances and activities, but also opens up the fenced-off space for public enjoyment, injecting vibrancy into the Kwun Tong waterfront.

Mr Yau commended the project for its creativity in bringing arts and culture into the community. He added that the Tourism Commission and the Hong Kong Design Centre also launched a creative tourism project, Design District Hong Kong (#ddHK) last month, which showcases designs and activities with Hong Kong characteristics in a creative way in Wan Chai and Sham Shui Po districts, providing the public and visitors with an authentic experience of Hong Kong.

Before concluding his district visit, Mr Yau met with KTDC members to listen to and exchange views on district matters such as transport, smart city development and telecommunications and broadcasting.

