

SCST attends meeting on preparatory work for National Games, National Games for Persons with Disabilities and National Special Olympic Games in Guangzhou (with photos)

The Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Mr Kevin Yeung, today (March 20) cochaired with the Head of the Sports Bureau of Guangdong Province, Mr Cui Jian, a meeting in Guangzhou on the preparatory work for the 15th National Games, the 12th National Games for Persons with Disabilities and the 9th National Special Olympic Games. The Head of the National Games Coordination Office (NGCO), Mr Yeung Tak-keung, and the Deputy Head of the NGCO, Mr Paul Cheng, also attended the meeting.

Mr Kevin Yeung said, "The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government is grateful for the Central Government's trust and support in letting us cohost the three Games with Guangdong and Macao in 2025. I cochaired a meeting on the preparatory work for the Games with the Head of the Sports Bureau of Guangdong Province, Mr Cui Jian, in Guangzhou today, to closely liaise with the Guangdong Provincial Government and review work progress, with a view to making the Games a success and uniting all sectors of the community by deepening collaboration between Hong Kong and other cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area."

Mr Yeung and his delegation visited the Guangdong Olympic Sports Center to know more about the operation and management of the Center and subsidiary facilities, as well as the improvement works.

The Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau set up the National Games Coordination Office last year to fully take on the planning and implementation work of the Games, to be cohosted by Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao in 2025.

The National Games, held once every four years, are the nation's highest-level and the largest national multisport event. The State Council announced in August 2021 that the 15th National Games will be cohosted by Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao in 2025. This is the first time for Hong Kong to be a cohost of the National Games. The three sides will also cohost the 12th National Games for Persons with Disabilities and the 9th National Special Olympic Games, subsequent to the 15th National Games.

