

Second stop of “Anti-drug Info Zone: Stride Ahead Into A Drug-free Future” Roving Exhibition to be staged at 34th Hong Kong Book Fair (with photos)

The "Anti-drug Info Zone: Stride Ahead Into A Drug-free Future" Roving Exhibition (Anti-drug Roving Exhibition) will move to the 34th Hong Kong Book Fair from July 17 to 23. Members of the public are welcome to visit the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition at booth A32 at the "Children's Paradise" section of the Hong Kong Book Fair.

The Anti-drug Roving Exhibition is co-organised by the Narcotics Division (ND) of the Security Bureau and Action Committee Against Narcotics (ACAN), and is designed with the theme of interstellar space. Drugs are portrayed in the exhibition as aliens that should be defeated. This visual representation helps present the adverse effects caused by drugs on one's mind and body in a vivid manner. And by seeing the aliens, everyone will be strongly reminded again to stay away from drugs at all times, and of the dire consequences of committing drug crimes. The annual Hong Kong Book Fair has always been well received by members of the public. By joining the Hong Kong Book Fair, the ND and ACAN wish to reach out to more citizens to help them learn about drug harm correctly.

Including the elements of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) and multimedia, the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition is divided into different theme zones with games, digital exhibition panels and a photo booth to spread anti-drug knowledge to visitors, and provide them with information about criminal liability for drug offences and other details. A game with the name "Drug Taking Facial Filter" has been set up particularly for the stop at the Hong Kong Book Fair. Through a camera, visitors can see the damage on their appearance after taking different drugs. It vividly shows how drugs could harm a drug abuser's body.

In addition, the ND and ACAN will organise a parental talk, which will be given by multimedia producer Mr Kay Ho and specialist in psychiatry Dr Tsang Fan Kwong onstage at the "Children's Paradise" section of the Hong Kong Book Fair at 12.30pm on Sunday (July 21). Mr Ho, also known as "Super Daddy", and another guest, Ms Charis Chung, will talk about how to strengthen children's determination to stay away from drugs in terms of parenting and parent-child communication, while Dr Tsang will describe, using his medical expertise, the physical harm caused by drugs. The talk is open to visitors to the Hong Kong Book Fair.

After the Hong Kong Book Fair stop, the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition will be held at shopping malls in different districts and tertiary institutes. For more details of the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition, please visit the dedicated webpage on the ND's website (www.nd.gov.hk/en/rovingexhibition.html).

Information about the Hong Kong Book Fair, including admission, opening hours, etc, can be obtained from: hkbookfair.hktdc.com/en/index.html.

Moreover, in order to highlight the harm caused by cannabis to youngsters during the summer holidays, the ND and ACAN have just launched TV and radio Announcements in the Public Interest with the message of staying away from cannabis. This new advertisement aims to tell audiences through rap that "Cannabis is a drug", and a good life is always cannabis-free. Members of the public are welcome to watch the video via this link (youtu.be/8atgZfs8i0w).

