<u>SEE continues visit to Jiangsu</u> <u>Province (with photos)</u>

The Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Mr Tse Chin-wan, together with the Legislative Council Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, continued their visit to Jiangsu Province today (August 23).

The delegation visited the modern and high-tech core demonstration base for agriculture at the Jiangdu Modern Agricultural Industrial Park in Yangzhou to learn about the latest developments in areas such as vegetable and fruit production, processing, and seedling cultivation.

The delegation then visited a biotechnology company in Yangzhou specialising in mushroom cultivation, to better understand the latest developments in smart cultivation of edible fungi and how scientific agriculture can enhance food safety. Mr Tse noted that over 90 per cent of Hong Kong's food is imported, with the Mainland being the most important food supply source. He welcomes the import of high-quality food from Jiangsu Province to Hong Kong to enrich people's food choices and strengthen trade connections between the two places.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited an agricultural ecological development enterprise in Nanjing. They received a briefing from staff on their work including freshwater shrimp farming, vegetable cultivation, agricultural product processing, and cold chain storage and transportation as well as sharing their experiences on leisure farming and fisheries.

The delegation then visited the modern fisheries farming facilities and systems at an aquaculture enterprise to learn more about their work on aquaculture, commercial fish sales, aquaculture technology research and development, and more. They conducted in-depth discussions with the staff on topics such as smart management, efficient facilities and high-quality breeding, and exchanged experiences on upgrading and transforming the fisheries industry towards modern, high-yield, high-quality, efficient and ecological sustainable operations.

Mr Tse and the delegation will continue their visit to Jiangsu Province tomorrow (August 24).

















