

SEE continues visit to three cities in Greater Bay Area (with photos)

The Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Mr Tse Chin-wan, together with the Legislative Council Panel on Environmental Affairs, continued their duty visit to three cities in the Greater Bay Area today (August 8).

The delegation visited Foshan, which is the pioneer demonstration area for the development of the hydrogen energy industry in Guangdong Province, in the morning. They first visited the Nanhai Hydrogen Center in Foshan and received a briefing from the representatives on the planning and achievements of hydrogen energy development in Foshan to learn more about the development and application of hydrogen energy in the Mainland. The delegation then visited Gaoming district in Foshan to experience the world's first commercially operated hydrogen-fuelled light rail vehicle and exchange views with the staff on the applications of hydrogen vehicles.

Mr Tse said that the country has set four basic principles for the medium- and long-term plan for the development of the hydrogen energy industry: i.e. (i) innovation leads, self-reliance and self-improvement; (ii) safety first, clean and low-carbon; (iii) market-led and government-led; and (iv) prudent application and demonstration first. Last year, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region set up the Inter-departmental Working Group on Using Hydrogen as Fuel to co-ordinate preparation works of bureaux/departments for using hydrogen as fuel locally and to promote the use of hydrogen energy in Hong Kong progressively in accordance with the four basic principles of the country in alignment with the national policy.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited the exhibition hall of Huawei Digital Power Antohill Headquarters in Shenzhen. They received a briefing from a representative on Huawei's latest developments in the areas of green buildings, photovoltaic power generation and energy storage, zero-carbon community, etc.

Mr Tse and the delegation will continue their visit to the Greater Bay Area tomorrow (August 9), including visits to the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Plant and Nanshan Energy Eco-Park in Shenzhen.



