

SEN meets with local representatives on improving Hong Kong's electoral system

The Secretary for the Environment, Mr Wong Kam-sing, met with representatives of community organisations from Sham Shui Po, Tsuen Wan, Kowloon City and Sai Kung districts at four briefing sessions respectively today (April 7) to explain the improvements to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)'s electoral system. The meetings were to enable the local representatives to have a better understanding of the matter and thereby render their support.

Mr Wong noted that the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on March 30 approved the amended Annex I to the Basic Law on Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Annex II to the Basic Law on Method for the Formation of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and its Voting Procedures for improving the electoral system of the HKSAR. The amendments ensure "patriots administering Hong Kong" and the robust and successful implementation of "one country, two systems", safeguarding the long-term prosperity and stability of the city.

Mr Wong said, "I hope it will bring Hong Kong back on the right track. The Government will step up efforts to improve people's livelihood and enhance environmental quality, complementing the work of our country and the world in combating climate change and protecting the environment. Meanwhile, we will also support the local green recovery by creating a green economy and employment opportunities, with a view to fostering a better environment for Hong Kong people to live and work."