

Senior appointment (with photos)

The Government announced today (January 5) that Miss Janice Tse Siu-wa, Director of Home Affairs, will take up the post of Permanent Secretary for the Environment/Director of Environmental Protection on January 17, 2022. She will succeed Ms Maisie Cheng Mei-sze, who has proceeded on pre-retirement leave after 34 years of service.

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip, said, "Miss Tse is a seasoned Administrative Officer with proven leadership and management skills. I have every confidence that she will continue to serve the community with professionalism in her new capacity."

On the retirement of Ms Cheng, who has proceeded on pre-retirement leave, Mr Nip said, "Ms Cheng has rendered 34 years of loyal and dedicated service to the community of Hong Kong. During her tenure as Permanent Secretary for the Environment/Director of Environmental Protection, she made significant contributions to various policy areas, including the expansion and enhancement of the community recycling network, promotion of green transport and conservation of natural ecological resources. She also played a pivotal role in formulating long-term strategies on various policy areas, endeavouring to improve the environment of Hong Kong. I wish her a fulfilling and happy retirement."

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Brief biographical notes of the two officers are set out below:

Ms Maisie Cheng Mei-sze

Ms Cheng joined the Administrative Service in September 1987 and rose to the rank of Administrative Officer Staff Grade A1 in April 2020. She has served in various bureaux and departments, including the former Survey Office, the former Transport Branch, the former Civil Service Branch, the former City and New Territories Administration, the former University and Polytechnic Grants Committee Secretariat, the former Financial Services Branch, the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority, the Executive Council Secretariat, the former Economic Development and Labour Bureau, the former Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority and the Transport and Housing Bureau. She was Director of Government Logistics from January 2013 to September 2015, Director of Marine from September 2015 to May 2019 and Permanent Secretary for the Environment/Director of Environmental Protection from May 2019 to September 2021.

Miss Janice Tse Siu-wa

Miss Tse joined the Government in June 1987. She served in the Executive Officer and Labour Officer Grades before joining the Administrative Service in June 1988, rising to the rank of Administrative Officer Staff Grade A in April 2018. She has served in various bureaux and departments, including the

former City and New Territories Administration, the former Constitutional Affairs Branch, the former Civil Service Branch, the former New Airport Projects Co-ordination Office, the former Economic Services Branch, the former Health and Welfare Branch, the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Brussels, the former Finance Bureau, the former Economic Development and Labour Bureau and the Transport and Housing Bureau. She was Head (eHealth Record) of the Food and Health Bureau from September 2009 to December 2011 and Deputy Secretary for Food and Health (Health) from January 2012 to April 2016, and has been serving as Director of Home Affairs since April 2016.

