<u>SITI continues visit to Fujian (with photos)</u>

â€<The Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry, Professor Sun Dong, continued his visit to Fujian today (November 28).

In the morning, Professor Sun met with Vice-Governor of the Fujian Provincial People's Government Mr Lin Ruiliang; the Director of the Department of Science and Technology of Fujian Province, Mr Li Zhizhong; and the Director of the Department of Industry and Information Technology of Fujian Province, Mr Weng Yuyao, in Fuzhou. They exchanged views on cooperation between Fujian and Hong Kong in the areas of innovation and technology (I&T), new industrialisation and informatisation development. Professor Sun also briefed Mr Lin on the I&T ecosystem of Hong Kong, and the series of initiatives in the Policy Address implementing the development directions and major strategies set out in the Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Development Blueprint, as well as the latest development plan of the Hong Kong Park of Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Science and Technology Innovation Co-operation Zone.

Professor Sun then proceeded to Ningde in Fujian Province to continue his visit.

Upon arrival, Professor Sun met with the Secretary of the CPC Ningde Municipal Committee, Mr Liang Weixin. They exchanged views on promoting the development of high-end technology industries with a competitive edge and of strategic significance, which would in turn drive economic diversification and high-quality development of society, and create quality job opportunities. Professor Sun encouraged enterprises in Fujian to leverage on Hong Kong's advantages of internationalisation and a highly market-oriented environment to expand their businesses overseas.

Following yesterday's meeting with the Chairman and General Manager of Contemporary Amperex Technology Co Limited (CATL), Mr Robin Zeng, Professor Sun visited the base of CATL in the afternoon. He toured the enterprise's technology building and smart production lines of "Base Z" to gain a better understanding of the enterprise's work in research and development, production and sales of new energy traction battery systems and energy storage systems, as well as the enterprise's efforts in providing solutions for new energy applications around the world. He also exchanged views with the Chief Investment Officer of CATL, Mr Wang Hongbo, the Chairman of the Supervisory Board and the Ecological Development Committee of CATL, Mr Wu Yingming, and other senior executives on the enterprise's direction and strategies to launch its business in Hong Kong.

Professor Sun concluded his visit and returned to Hong Kong this afternoon.









