

## SLW visits Kowloon City District (with photos)

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Dr Law Chi-kwong, visited Kowloon City District today (June 22), where he called at a primary school and an integrated vocational rehabilitation services centre, and met with District Council members.

Accompanied by the Chairman of Kowloon City District Council (KCDC), Mr Pun Kwok-wah, and the District Officer (Kowloon City), Mr Franco Kwok, Dr Law first went to Po Leung Kuk Madam Chan Wai Chow Memorial School in To Kwa Wan. The school operates the Full-time Primary School Initiation Programme for newly arrived Mainland and non-Chinese speaking children/returnee children to prepare them for their subsequent integration into local education.

Dr Law toured the campus facilities and chatted with teachers and pupils. He said that such a programme acquainted pupils with local culture and lifestyle and enhanced their resilience. He also pointed out that the Government's newly established Commission on Children has commenced operation to amalgamate the efforts made by relevant bureaux/departments and child concern groups to promote children's growth and development, as well as to focus on addressing children's issues as they grow.

Accompanied by the District Social Welfare Officer (Kowloon City/Yau Tsim Mong), Ms Nancy Kwan, he then visited LOHAS Garden of SAHK in Ho Man Tin to learn more about its day training and residential care for persons with disabilities. He talked to trainees receiving vocational rehabilitation training and visited a training session on catering services provided for trainees. He said that such on-the-job training can strengthen the skills and self-confidence of trainees with disabilities, which would also increase their employability in the open market.

Before concluding his visit, Dr Law visited KCDC and met with members to learn more about the latest developments and issues of concern in the district and to exchange views on district matters.



