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Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

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The fire danger situation today (February 18) is yellow and the risk of fire is high. People are urged to prevent fires breaking out and hikers should also be vigilant.

[Scholarship boosts HK talent pool](#)

To strengthen education collaboration with Belt & Road countries and regions, scholarships have been offered to outstanding students coming from countries along the Belt & Road since the 2016-17 academic year.

News.gov.hk spoke to two scholarship awardees from Malaysia and Türkiye to share their experiences and insights about their study in Hong Kong, while the Under Secretary for Education, Mr Jeff Sze outlined how the city's talent pool could benefit from attracting international students.

The story is available at www.news.gov.hk/eng/feature today (February 18) in text and video format.

[Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cannabis buds worth about \\$1.6 million at airport \(with photo\)](#)

Hong Kong Customs today (February 17) detected a drug trafficking case involving baggage concealment at Hong Kong International Airport. About eight kilograms of suspected cannabis buds with an estimated market value of about \$1.6 million were seized.

An 18-year-old male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Bangkok, Thailand, today. During Customs clearance, Customs officers found two bags of suspected cannabis buds, with a total weight of about eight kg, inside his

check-in suitcase. The male passenger was subsequently arrested.

The arrested man has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. The case will be brought up at the West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts on February 19.

Following the resumption of normal travel and exchanges with the Mainland and other parts of the world, the number of visitors to Hong Kong has also been increasing steadily. Customs will continue to apply a risk assessment approach and focus on selecting passengers from high-risk regions for clearance to combat transnational drug trafficking activities.

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form (eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002).



[Missing man in Tseung Kwan O located](#)

A man who went missing in Tseung Kwan O has been located.

Fung Chi-wah, aged 72, went missing after he left his residence in Tsui Lam Estate on February 13 night. His family made a report to Police yesterday (February 16).

The man was located in a hospital on Po Ning Lane this afternoon (February 17). No suspicious circumstances were detected.

Missing man in Sham Shui Po located

A man who went missing in Sham Shui Po has been located.

Fung Wai-shing, aged 38, went missing after he left his residence in Shek Kip Mei Estate on February 1 afternoon. His family made a report to Police on February 14.

The man was located at MTR Causeway Bay Station last night (February 16). He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.