<u>Auction of personalised vehicle</u> <u>registration marks on September 22 and</u> <u>23</u>

The Transport Department (TD) today (August 23) announced that two auctions of personalised vehicle registration marks (PVRMs) will be held on September 22 (Saturday) and 23 (Sunday) at Meeting Room S421, L4, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wan Chai.

"A total of 228 and 241 approved PVRMs will be put up for public auction. The lists of the marks were posted on the department's website, www.td.gov.hk, today," a department spokesman said.

The reserve price of all these marks is \$5,000. Applicants who have paid a deposit of \$5,000 should also participate in the bidding (including the first bid at the reserve price). Otherwise, the PVRM concerned may be sold to another bidder at the reserve price.

People who wish to participate in the bidding at the auction should take note of the following important points:

- (i) Paddle bidding will be used at this auction;
- (ii) The display of a PVRM on a motor vehicle should be in compliance with the requirements stipulated in Schedule 4 of the Road Traffic (Registration and Licensing of Vehicles) Regulations;
- (iii) Any change to the arrangement of letters, numerals and blank spaces of a PVRM, i.e. single and two rows as auctioned, will not be allowed;
- (iv) Purchasers must make payment of the purchase price through the Easy Pay System (EPS), or by crossed cheque and complete the Memorandum of Sale of PVRM immediately after the bidding of the PVRM concerned. Subsequent alteration of the particulars in the memorandum will not be permitted. For an auctioned mark paid for by cheque, the first three working days after the date of auction will be required for cheque clearance confirmation before processing of the application for mark assignment can be completed; and
- (v) The purchaser shall, within 12 months after the date of auction, apply to the Commissioner for Transport for the PVRM to be assigned to a motor vehicle registered in the name of the purchaser. If the purchaser fails to assign the PVRM within 12 months, allocation of the PVRM will be cancelled and arranged for re-allocation in accordance with the statutory provision without prior notice to the purchaser.

"Upon completion of the Memorandum of Sale of PVRM, the purchaser will be issued a receipt and a Certificate of Allocation of Personalised Registration Mark. The Certificate of Allocation will serve to prove the holdership of the PVRM. Potential buyers of vehicles bearing a PVRM should check the Certificate of Allocation with the sellers and pay attention to the details therein. For transfer of vehicle ownership, this certificate together with other required documents should be sent to the TD for processing," the spokesman said.

For other auction details, please refer to the Guidance Notes — Auction of PVRM, which is available at the department's licensing offices or can be downloaded from its website, www.td.gov.hk.

Basic Law Parent-child Workshop to be held this Saturday and Sunday

A Basic Law Parent-child Workshop organised by the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau will be held this Saturday and Sunday (August 25 and 26) in Fanling.

Children may gain a better understanding of the Basic Law by participating in various handicraft workshops, Basic Law mega board game and interactive story-telling sessions. Members of the public may also visit the exhibition at the venue to know more about the content and implementation of the Basic Law.

The workshops and interactive story-telling sessions will be conducted in Cantonese. Children aged 6 to 12 and their parents are welcome. Seats are limited and allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. For details, please visit www.basiclawworkshop.hk.

The Basic Law Parent-child Workshop will be held at G/F, Avon Mall, 15 Yat Ming Road, Fanling, New Territories, from 11am to 7pm. Admission is free.

September 2018 adjustment in ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations

The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department today (August 23) announced an adjustment to the auto-LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations from September 1 to September 30, 2018, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contracts of the dedicated LPG filling stations.

A department spokesman said that the adjustment on September 1, 2018, reflects the movement of the LPG international price in August 2018. The adjusted auto-LPG ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations will range from HK\$ 3.61 to HK\$ 4.14 per litre, representing an increase of HK\$ 0.1 to HK\$ 0.11 per litre.

The spokesman said that the auto-LPG ceiling prices were adjusted according to a specified pricing formula. The formula comprises two elements — the LPG international price and the LPG operating price. The LPG international price is the LPG international price of the preceding month. The LPG operating price is adjusted on the first day of February every year according to the movement in the Composite Consumer Price Index in the previous year.

The auto-LPG ceiling prices for respective dedicated LPG filling stations in September 2018 are as follows:

Location of Dedicated LPG Filling Station	Auto-LPG Ceiling Price in September 2018 (HK\$/litre)	Auto-LPG Ceiling Price in August 2018 (HK\$/litre)
Fung Yip Street, Chai Wan	4.14	4.04
Ngo Cheung Road, West Kowloon	4.14	4.04
Sham Mong Road, Mei Foo	3.82	3.71
Yip Wong Road, Tuen Mun	3.82	3.71
Marsh Road, Wan Chai	3.81	3.71
Fung Mat Road, Sheung Wan	3.75	3.64
Wai Lok Street, Kwun Tong	3.75	3.64
Yuen Chau Tsai, Tai Po	3.75	3.64
Cheung Yip Street, Kowloon Bay	3.79	3.68
Kwai On Road, Kwai Chung	3.79	3.68
Hang Yiu Street, Ma On Shan	3.61	3.50
Tak Yip Street, Yuen Long	3.61	3.50

The spokesman said that the details of the LPG international price and the auto-LPG ceiling price of each dedicated LPG filling station have been uploaded to the department website www.emsd.gov.hk. They are also posted at dedicated LPG filling stations to enable the trades to monitor the price adjustment.

Details of the pricing adjustment mechanism for dedicated LPG filling stations can also be viewed under the "What's New" section of the department website at www.emsd.gov.hk/en/what_s_new/current/index.html.

Missing woman in Tsuen Wan located

A woman who went missing in Tsuen Wan was located.

Chen Hui, aged 34, went missing after she left a hostel on Tsuen King Circuit on March 22 morning. The staff of the hostel made a report to Police on March 23.

The woman was located in a shopping mall on Lung Cheung Road, Wong Tai Sin on August 21 afternoon. She sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.

Public urged not to buy or consume slimming products from unknown sources or of doubtful composition (with photo)

The Department of Health (DH) today (August 23) appealed to the public not to buy or consume a slimming product named SUSUYA as it was found to contain an undeclared and banned drug ingredient that might be dangerous to health.

Acting upon intelligence, a sample of the above product was purchased from an Internet seller for analysis. Test results from the Government Laboratory revealed that the sample contains sibutramine and bisacodyl.

The DH's investigation is continuing.

Sibutramine is a Part 1 poison under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap 138) and was once used as an appetite suppressant. Since November 2010, products containing sibutramine have been banned in Hong Kong because of increased cardiovascular risk. Bisacodyl is a laxative that may cause abdominal pain.

According to the Ordinance, all pharmaceutical products must be registered with the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong before they can be legally sold in the market. Illegal sale or possession of Part 1 poisons and unregistered pharmaceutical products are criminal offences. The maximum penalty for each offence is a fine of \$100,000 and two years' imprisonment.

The DH spokesman strongly urged members of the public not to buy products of unknown or doubtful composition, or to consume products from unknown sources. All registered pharmaceutical products should carry a Hong Kong registration number on the package in the format HK-XXXXX. Safety, quality and efficacy of unregistered pharmaceutical products are not guaranteed.

Weight control should be achieved through a balanced diet and appropriate exercise. The public should consult healthcare professionals before using any medication for weight control.

The public may visit the website of Drug Office of the DH for <u>health</u> messages on overweight problem and slimming products and <u>information on slimming products with undeclared Western drug ingredients</u>.

People who have purchased the product should stop taking it immediately. They can also submit the product to the Drug Office of the DH at Room 1856, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, during office hours for disposal.

