

Appeal for information on missing man in Wong Tai Sin (with photo)

Police today (November 11) appealed to the public for information on a man who went missing in Wong Tai Sin.

Chow Leung-chau, aged 58, went missing after he left his residence in Choi Wan Estate yesterday (November 10) morning. His family made a report to Police on the same day.

He is about 1.6 metres tall, 63 kilograms in weight and of medium build. He has a long face with yellow complexion and short greyish white hair. He was last seen wearing a blue short-sleeved T-shirt, blue shorts, black slippers and carrying a black rucksack and a blue umbrella.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing man or may have seen him is urged to contact the Regional Missing Persons Unit of Kowloon East on 3661 0331 or email to rmpu-ke-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



Government holds meeting with sectors on preventing import of bedbug

infestation (with photos)

In response to the recent emergence of bedbugs in some overseas places, which has caused public concern, the Environment and Ecology Bureau (EEB) today (November 11) held a meeting with representatives from the Airport Authority Hong Kong, the MTR Corporation Limited, the hotel sector, the Tourism Commission and relevant government departments on preventing the import of bedbug infestation, for understanding and assisting relevant sectors in sustaining the implementation of effective preventive measures.

The Acting Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Miss Diane Wong, was briefed on various measures taken on preventing the import of bedbug infestation into Hong Kong at the Airport, the Airport Express, hotels and the cruise terminal. At the meeting, representatives from the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) and the Port Health Division of the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health (DH) shared technical advice on preventing the import of bedbug infestation.

"The Government has always been maintaining close communication with relevant sectors. We thanked the sectors for their prompt response and for taking proactive measures, including conducting deep cleansing and disinfestation as well as strengthening anti-bedbug work, for safeguarding our first line of defence concertedly. The Government together with the trade will continue to pay close attention to the development of the situation, and will strengthen communication with frontline organisations and sectors, and continue to provide technical support and coordinate efforts from all sectors to prevent the import of bedbug infestation into Hong Kong," said Miss Wong.

The Government will distribute information and leaflets on preventing the import of bedbug infestation to relevant sectors (including the tourism and hotel sectors, public transport sectors) with a view to reducing the chances of bringing bedbugs to Hong Kong by returnees and visitors. The FEHD has been working closely with the DH and relevant organisations to strengthen promotional and educational works on various fronts. These include distributing promotional leaflets at the Airport, reminding citizens to stay vigilant when traveling abroad, conducting on-site inspections to strengthen prevention, etc. The Government's inter-departmental Pest Control Steering Committee will also disseminate relevant information to other stakeholders, so as to enhance the public's understanding of how to prevent the import of bedbug infestation.

The EEB will report to the Deputy Secretary for Administration on the work on preventing the import of bedbug infestation. The Deputy Secretary for Administration will closely review the situation, guide inter-departmental work on bedbug prevention and strengthening prevention of imported infestation, to minimise the chance of importing bedbug infestation from overseas into the Hong Kong community, and strive to safeguard environmental hygiene.



[Speech by DPP at Doctoral and Master's Degrees Graduation Ceremony of the Chinese University of Hong Kong \(English only\)](#)

Following is the speech by the Director of Public Prosecutions of the Department of Justice, Ms Maggie Yang, at the Doctoral and Master's Degrees Graduation Ceremony of the Chinese University of Hong Kong today (November 11):

Dean Wolff (Dean of the Faculty of Law of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Professor Lutz-Christian Wolff), distinguished faculty members, esteemed graduates, ladies and gentlemen,

What an honour it is for me to be standing here this afternoon addressing all of you on this momentous and joyous occasion!

Let me begin by extending my sincere congratulations to graduates receiving their postgraduate awards today. To all of you, you have been admitted to degrees from one of the finest academic institutions in the world. We gather here today to recognise and celebrate the great deal of hard work, dedication, and perseverance that have culminated towards this day, on which you receive the well-deserved fruits of your labour.

But I must also congratulate and thank those who have walked with you throughout your academic journey. To graduates' families, loved ones, teachers, and mentors, I extend my gratitude and congratulations for having nurtured a new generation of legal talent who will no doubt go on to achieve great things in society. Today is a day of celebration for you, as much as it is for the graduates, of whom you have good reason to be very proud.

The study of Law, aside from being intellectually challenging and stimulating, opens our eyes to the intricate workings of the society in which we live. That is because our society is governed by the rule of law, and the Law permeates virtually every aspect of our everyday lives. As graduates of postgraduate qualifications in Law, you will have gained not only an advanced knowledge in specialised areas of the Law, but also a sound and informed understanding of the real world, into which you are all about to set foot as you begin your professional careers.

I, too, was once a graduating Law student. To this day, I vividly recall being filled with a sense of excitement to begin my legal career, but at the same time a degree of anxiety about the many challenges ahead. No doubt, that is how many of you are feeling today. While today marks an end to your academic journey in the Law, it also marks the beginning of a new chapter in your professional lives. And with new beginnings, come new challenges. That is so whether you are about to enter the legal profession for the first time, or continuing your professional pursuits equipped with the new knowledge gained from your postgraduate education.

The challenges that await you are numerous, and the road ahead is not going to be easy. We live in a complex and fast-paced world that is getting increasingly sophisticated every day. As legal professionals and academics, you will be expected to stay abreast of the latest developments in the field of your expertise. You will be expected to produce results, often under tight deadlines. Most of all, for those of you who will go on to practice Law, you will be expected to apply your legal knowledge and skills to solve real-world problems.

While I am confident that you are well-equipped to tackle these challenges head-on with the education you have received, I wish to offer you four pieces of advice, gathered from my career as a prosecutor, which I hope will serve as guiding principles throughout and beyond your careers in the Law. These four pieces of advice centre around four core values which, in my view, are particularly important. They are: integrity, justice, knowledge, and passion. Let me explain each in turn.

The first piece of advice is perhaps the most important of all. That is: Be persons of integrity and good character. To be a person of integrity and good character entails that you align yourselves with the virtues of honesty and probity in all that you do. To my mind, only by being honest to yourself and to those around you does one truly achieve. For as the saying goes, personality opens doors, but it is character that keeps them open.

The importance of integrity and good character is only magnified in this day and age where competition is fierce and the emphasis is on results and output. As great as the temptation may sometimes be to achieve recognition and success at the expense or compromise of one's principles and standards, always remember that doing so comes at a severe cost. Successes or results achieved through improper or dishonest means bring no sense of fulfilment. You must not succumb to such temptations. Instead, work hard to achieve your goals by doing only what is right and fair. Follow the rules. Maintain high moral standards and good reputation, both in your professional and personal

lives. Adhere strictly to integrity, honesty, and probity. With time, your success will come. And it will come with a tremendous sense of satisfaction.

Secondly: Be committed to upholding the rule of law and serving the public good. The rule of law is the golden thread running through the fabric of our society. It is essential that future lawyers like yourselves are committed to upholding it with unwavering faith, strong determination, and enduring perseverance. At the same time, bear in mind that as future lawyers, you share a responsibility to contribute back to the society that has nurtured your growth. A facet of that responsibility is to help those around you better understand the role of the Law in society, as well as the processes behind its operation.

In recent years, it has unfortunately been commonplace to hear misconceived criticisms against Hong Kong's National Security Law, or NSL in short, suggesting that it erodes the rule of law and compromises the long-established notion of judicial independence. Such suggestions are, as all of you will appreciate, plainly wrong and misconceived and, as a result, totally unfair.

As Law graduates, I encourage you to make an effort in dispelling such misconceptions. It is trite that the NSL enshrines important principles underpinning the rule of law, such as the presumption of innocence, rule against double jeopardy, and fair trial guarantees. On the other hand, judges are appointed solely on the basis of their judicial and professional qualities, and, under our system of justice, are duty-bound to arrive at decisions according to Law. The NSL, which serves as the cornerstone of societal stability and well-being, protects the fundamental values of the rule of law in Hong Kong. As graduates well-versed in the Law, do well to use your knowledge to educate those who do not have the benefit of your legal education.

The third piece of advice I would like to offer you is this: Stay humble, and never stop learning. As you know, the Law is in a constant state of flux. It does not exist in a vacuum, nor is it static. The very nature of the common law system means that legal principles, interpretations of written laws, and case precedents are developed incrementally over time. The Law is also constantly adapting itself to changes in society.

Do well to remember that learning is a life-long endeavour that extends well beyond your Law degrees. As you progress along the path of your legal careers, stay curious about the ever-evolving world around us. While you have gained significant legal knowledge throughout your studies, when it comes to learning, complacency is never an option. Above all, stay humble, and always be open to different points of view. Over time, your fervent pursuit of knowledge will pay its dividends in the form of new and improved skillsets, broadened horizons, and increased wisdom.

That brings me to the final piece of advice I wish to give you today: Whatever you do, do it with passion. Passion goes a long way in helping you achieve your goals. I have already alluded to the challenges that await you. At some point, you may well experience mistakes and setbacks as you go about

your careers. It will not always be smooth sailing. At times of adversity, hold on to your passion and remember why you started. For it is passion for what you do that gives you the motivation, energy, and determination to overcome the hurdles in your way, however high and many they may be – and it is passion, together with hard work and commitment, that drives you to continually pursue excellence. Ultimately, it is passion that gives you purpose, meaning, and fulfilment in whatever career you choose to follow. Today, I am pleased to attend this meaningful occasion together with three prosecutors from my Department who are passionate about the work they do. You are most welcome to approach them at the Graduation Reception to know more about our work, and the experiences and insights they have gained from their careers.

It is often said that to whom much is given, much will be required. Each and every one of you is truly blessed to have received a first-class legal education. It is now incumbent on each of you to use that education wisely in serving the public good. Wherever your careers may take you, may you always be guided by the core virtues of integrity, justice, knowledge, and passion. Graduates, it is your time to take the stage. The future is not a gift, but something to be earned and achieved – and it all begins with you.

Thank you, and congratulations once again.

[Organ Donation Day 2023 celebration held today \(with photos\)](#)

â€‹The Health Bureau, the Department of Health (DH) and Radio Television Hong Kong organised an event today (November 11) to celebrate Organ Donation Day 2023 and appeal to all sectors of society to put words into action and continue to support organ donations.

Speaking at the event, the Acting Secretary for Health, Dr Libby Lee, said that since 2016, the Government has designated the second Saturday of every November as Organ Donation Day and the anniversary of the launching of the Centralised Organ Donation Register (CODR) with a view to promoting organ donations and inculcating a positive culture of supporting organ donations in Hong Kong.

"Despite rapid advancements in healthcare technologies, organ transplant remains the only hope for many patients with organ failure to live on. Currently, more than 2 000 patients are waiting for organ transplants in Hong Kong. To shorten patients' waiting time for organ transplants and to bring new life to them, active support for organ donations by members of the public is critically important," Dr Lee said.

Over 363 000 registrations have been recorded in the CODR. Dr Lee

encouraged members of the public to turn their thoughts into action by registering in the CODR, so as to bring more hope to patients waiting for organ transplants.

The DH has all along been making every effort in promoting organ donations. The DH enhanced the CODR system this year to facilitate public registration and to enable members of the public to learn about their application results and check their registration status more conveniently. The DH has also stepped up promotion activities since June this year, including setting up promotion booths at Government premises and in the 18 districts in Hong Kong, launching the organ donation promotion vehicle and a new television announcement in the public interest. Representatives from six religious groups and representatives of ethnic minorities were also invited to participate in the production of videos to call on the public to support organ donations.

Previous Thematic Household Surveys revealed that of the respondents who were not willing to donate organs after death, the majority cited that the reason was that they "would like to keep body intact". Regarding this traditional belief, representatives from six religious groups unanimously stated that organ donation does not violate their religious doctrines and called on their believers to actively support organ donations.

The DH also expressed special gratitude to institutions and organisations which have been striving to promote organ donations over the years, and called on different sectors in society to continue their collaboration with the DH in spreading the spirit of benevolence of organ donations to every corner of society.

Organ Donation Day 2023 Ambassadors Ms Michelle Siu and Mr Cheung Siu-lun shared their views on supporting organ donations at the event. Other guests, including an Organ Donation Coordinator, a family member of an organ donor, and an organ recipient, also spoke on their experiences to convey to the public the message that organ donation not only helps patients in need but also brings hope to their families.

All lives are priceless. Expression of the wish to donate organs by members of the public through registering in the CODR (www.codr.gov.hk) carries great significance to patients awaiting organ donations and their families. For more information on organ donations, please visit the thematic website at www.organdonation.gov.hk or the "Organ Donation at HK" Facebook page at www.facebook.com/organdonationhk.



Appointment ceremony of Immigration Department Youth Ambassador Programme

The Director of Immigration, Mr Benson Kwok, officiated at the appointment ceremony of the Immigration Department Youth Ambassador Programme (the Programme) today (November 11) held at the Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) in Beijing. The Programme aims to identify and nurture more young talent who are committed individuals with aspirations and a willingness to strive hard for the future of the country and Hong Kong. Meanwhile, the appointed Youth Ambassadors will assist the Immigration Department (ImmD) in disseminating its information and latest developments through their own social networks to people.

During the one-year term, eight Youth Ambassadors will receive diversified training offered by the ImmD, including visits, workshops, exchange programmes, trial work placement days and internships. The ImmD anticipates that the Programme will enable the Youth Ambassadors to gain an in-depth understanding of the operations of the HKSAR Government and the business scope of the ImmD, and to broaden their horizons for a further solid grounding so as to pave the way for their different future positions in society. This may also give a fresh impetus to a youth force that demonstrates the love for our country as well as Hong Kong.

At the appointment ceremony, Mr Kwok appealed the Youth Ambassadors to seize the training opportunities, continue to learn and enhance their understanding of the ImmD's policies and procedures, become "experts" of the ImmD to better promote and introduce the department's work to members of the public. Meanwhile, they can also act as the bridge between Beijing and Hong Kong and representatives of young people in Hong Kong to air their views and facilitate exchange and collaboration between the youth of the Mainland and Hong Kong, as well as tell everyone the good stories of Hong Kong.