

Man arrested for suspected illegal sale and possession of products with undeclared controlled and banned drug ingredient (with photo)

The Department of Health (DH) today (October 24) conducted an operation against the sale of two products, namely KetoDiet Coffee and S-Factor Mocha Latte, which were found to contain an undeclared controlled and banned drug ingredient. During the operation, a 41-year-old man was arrested by the Police for suspected illegal sale and possession of Part 1 poisons.

Acting upon intelligence, samples of the above products were purchased from a shop in Fo Tan for analysis. Test results from the Government Laboratory revealed that the samples contained sibutramine, which is a Part 1 poison under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap. 138) (the Ordinance). The DH's investigation is continuing.

Sibutramine was once used as an appetite suppressant. Since November 2010, pharmaceutical products containing sibutramine have been banned in Hong Kong because of an increased cardiovascular risk.

According to the Ordinance, illegal sale or possession of Part 1 poisons 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. Members of the public who have purchased the above products should stop consuming them immediately. They should consult healthcare professionals for advice if feeling unwell after consumption.

The spokesman added that 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. They may visit the website of the Drug Office of the DH for "[Health messages on overweight problem and slimming products](#)" and "[Slimming products with undeclared Western drug ingredients](#)" for information.

The public may submit the products to the Drug Office of the DH at Room 1801, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, during office hours for disposal.



[Update on postal services to Thailand](#)

Hongkong Post announced today (October 24) that, as updated by the postal administration of Thailand, mail delivery services to Thailand for areas with the postcodes listed below are subject to delay due to flooding.

Postcodes

13xxx, 24xxx, 34xxx, 40xxx, 46xxx, 60xxx, 63xxx, 65xxx, 66xxx and 67xxx

[LCSD's In Your Sight, In Your Mind 2.0 programme to enable public to enjoy wonders of magic \(with photos\)](#)

Following the success of the In Your Sight, In Your Mind magic performance earlier this year, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department will roll out In Your Sight, In Your Mind 2.0 from this November to January next year. In addition to contemporary magic acts, the upcoming show will incorporate more elements of science and technology, offering the public more opportunities to enjoy the wonders of magic both visually and mentally. Admission to all performances is free.

Performed by local magician Zenneth Kok, the programme will display the unique form of digital magic and mentalism. Kok will make use of video, animation and the screen to demonstrate digital magic, opening new doors to creative expression for magic shows. In addition, he will make use of his

knowledge of psychology and statistics to induce audiences to think actively and make choices so as to predict audiences' behavior. Kok has more than 20 years of stage performing and teaching experience, and has created more than 200 original tricks.

Five performances of In Your Sight, In Your Mind 2.0 will be presented in Cantonese and one in English. Details of the performances are as below:

1. 3pm, November 5
Lecture Hall, Hong Kong Science Museum
(This performance is also one of the programmes of A Fiesta of Imagination under Muse Fest HK 2023)
2. 3pm, November 26
Cultural Activities Hall, Ngau Chi Wan Civic Centre
3. 3pm, January 7, 2024
Cultural Activities Hall, Tuen Mun Town Hall
4. 3pm, January 13, 2024
Moreton Terrace Activities Centre, Wan Chai
(Conducted in English, supplemented with Cantonese)
5. 3pm, January 20, 2024
Li Muk Shue Community Hall, Tsuen Wan
6. 3pm, January 28, 2024
The Sai Kung Jockey Club Town Hall

Online registration for free tickets for the first two performances will start at 9am on October 25 (Wednesday) while registration for other performances will be held later. For registration and more information, please visit the website

www.cpo.gov.hk/event/en-in-your-sight-in-your-mind-2-0-2023/ or call 2591 1340.



Exchange Fund Bills tender results

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Exchange Fund Bills tender results:

Tender date : October 24, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q2343
Issue date : October 25, 2023
Maturity date : January 24, 2024
Amount applied : HK\$123,000 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$54,752 MN
Average yield accepted : 4.88 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 4.97 PCT
Pro rata ratio* : About 17 PCT
Average tender yield : 5.11 PCT

Tender date : October 24, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H2372
Issue date : October 25, 2023
Maturity date : April 24, 2024
Amount applied : HK\$42,000 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$12,000 MN
Average yield accepted : 4.68 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 4.71 PCT
Pro rata ratio* : About 28 PCT
Average tender yield : 4.78 PCT

Tender date : October 24, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Y2396
Issue date : October 25, 2023
Maturity date : October 23, 2024
Amount applied : HK\$18,700 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$5,000 MN
Average yield accepted : 4.69 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 4.72 PCT
Pro rata ratio* : About 40 PCT

Average tender yield : 4.82 PCT

*"Pro rata ratio" refers to the average percentage of allotment with respect to each tender participant's tendered amount at the "highest yield accepted" level.

Hong Kong Monetary Authority tenders to be held in the week beginning October 30, 2023:

Tender date : October 31, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q2344
Issue date : November 1, 2023
Maturity date : January 31, 2024
Tenor : 91 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$57,155 MN

Tender date : October 31, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H2373
Issue date : November 1, 2023
Maturity date : May 2, 2024
Tenor : 183 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$15,000 MN

[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 was last seen on Berwick Street on October 5 afternoon. His family reported to Police on October 11.

The man was located on Jordan Road, Yau Ma Tei in the small hours on October 21. He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.