

Missing man in Sham Shui Po located

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

^ ^ ^ ^ Lam Wai Hong, aged 38, went missing after he left his caring home on Nam Cheong Street on May 16 morning. Staff of the caring home made a report to Police on the same day.

^ ^ ^ ^ The man was located at a hospital on Gascoigne Road, Yau Ma Tei on May 24 afternoon. No suspicious circumstances were detected.

Transcript of remarks by DCS and SEE at media session (with photo)

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Cheuk Wing-hing, and the Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Mr Tse Chin-wan, at a media session after attending a joint meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Environmental Affairs and Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene today (May 27):

Reporter: How will the Government handle the \$170 million spent on the charging scheme? And under what circumstances will the Government implement the scheme or even give up the scheme?

Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration: The secretary can answer this question.

Secretary for Environment and Ecology: I think as of now the Government has spent \$80 million in the project in promoting, preparing and implementing the waste charging scheme, including the manufacture, production of bags and also the setting up of the distribution system, storage, etc. Since we are planning to use these designated bags for promotion and educational purpose, the bags will still be used. Therefore, it will not be wasted.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)



[Sheung Shui Swimming Pool temporarily closed](#)

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (May 27) that Sheung Shui Swimming Pool in the North District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of vomit in the pool.

It will be reopened at 6.30am tomorrow.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep the swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.

[HKSAR Government to join Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao joint emergency response and rescue exercise in](#)

Jiangmen (with photos)

Personnel of the Security Bureau (SB) and the Fire Services Department's Disaster Response and Rescue Team today (May 27) departed for Jiangmen special service fire station to conduct a 48-hour Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao joint emergency response and rescue exercise.

The exercise is being conducted to prepare for the implementation of the emergency mobilisation and co-ordination mechanism under the Greater Bay Area Emergency Response and Rescue Operational Plan. The Operational Plan aims at strengthening the emergency response and rescue capabilities of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao to cope with contingencies such as disasters and natural hazards affecting the three places, enhancing the overall standard in emergency response management in the three places and achieving effective utilisation and sharing of resources of emergency response and rescue. Generally speaking, the targeted co-operation outcomes of the Operational Plan can be consolidated into a technical and knowledge exchange mechanism, a resource-sharing mechanism, and an emergency mobilisation and co-ordination mechanism. The exercise will test the cross-boundary green channel (facilitating the smooth flow of personnel, equipment and supplies at the boundary control points during an emergency response operation) and the activation mechanism and joint emergency command mechanism of the Operational Plan.

In preparation for the cross-boundary exercise, the SB, relevant authorities under the Central Government and units of the Guangdong Provincial Government have been maintaining close communication and liaison. This is not only the first time the fire rescue units of the three places participated in a joint exercise on the Mainland, but also the first time fire appliances from the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region were deployed to take part in the exercise. This demonstrates a high degree of integration among the fire rescue units of the three places, laying a solid foundation for future implementation of the green channel under the Operational Plan.

The governments of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao are currently formulating the Operational Plan, and are expected to sign the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Emergency Management Co-operation and Greater Bay Area Emergency Response Operation Co-operation Framework Agreement in Hong Kong in mid-June this year. Under the Framework Agreement, personnel from the three places can complement each other's strengths to facilitate the enhancement of emergency response management in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and strengthen the emergency response and rescue capabilities of the three places, injecting impetus into the development of emergency response management and rescue work in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and developing the Greater Bay Area into a quality living circle ideal for living, working and travelling.



[CE meets Secretary-General of International Maritime Organization and Secretary General of International Chamber of Shipping \(with photo\)](#)

â€‹The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, met with the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), Mr Arsenio Antonio Domínguez Velasco, and the Secretary General of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), Mr Guy Platten, today (May 27). Also attending the meeting was the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Ms Mable Chan.

Mr Lee welcomed the leaders of the international maritime community visiting Hong Kong with their teams. He said that as an international shipping centre, Hong Kong has been maintaining close communication with international maritime partners and actively participating in the IMO's

meetings and various committees to stay abreast of the latest global shipping and maritime developments. Hong Kong updates local marine legislation from time to time to meet the IMO's latest requirements and ensure its alignment with relevant IMO regulations. The ICS has long supported the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong and established its first-ever overseas office in Hong Kong in 2019, he added.

He pointed out that Hong Kong ranks fourth globally in the 2023 Xinhua-Baltic International Shipping Centre Development Index Report, and that fully reflects Hong Kong's comprehensive strengths in such areas as port conditions, maritime services, and business environment, serving as strong evidence of Hong Kong's globally recognised status as an international shipping centre.

Mr Lee noted that the country firmly supports Hong Kong's status as an international shipping centre as stated in the National 14th Five-Year Plan and the Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA). He said that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government promulgated the Action Plan on Maritime and Port Development Strategy at the end of last year, setting out strategies and action measures to enhance the competitiveness of the Hong Kong Port and accelerate the growth of Hong Kong's high value-added maritime services cluster. The HKSAR Government will take forward the relevant work and continue strengthening co-operation and exchanges with other GBA cities and international maritime organisations, with a view to injecting new impetus into Hong Kong's maritime and port development, he added.

