

Accident Investigation Preliminary Report and Public Notice on accident of BogdanFly X-wing paraglider released

The Air Accident Investigation Authority (AAIA) today (July 16) released the Accident Investigation Preliminary Report and Public Notice PLR-2024-02 on an accident involving a BogdanFly X-wing paraglider, which lost control and landed on a slope at Sunset Peak, Lantau, on June 17, 2024. The pilot did not survive.

A spokesperson for the AAIA said that the preliminary report has been published to provide factual information established in the investigation's early-evidence collection phase to both the aviation industry and the general public in a timely manner, and should be regarded as tentative. The full report is available for download from the AAIA webpage (www.tlb.gov.hk/aaia/eng/investigation_reports/index.html).

"The investigation team is conducting a detailed analysis of the data and information collected in order to determine the circumstances and causes of this occurrence with a view to preventing a recurrence in conjunction with identifying areas for further investigation or lines of inquiry to follow up," the spokesperson said.

The AAIA, an independent investigation authority formed under the Transport and Logistics Bureau, is responsible for the investigation of civil aircraft accidents and incidents in accordance with the Hong Kong Civil Aviation (Investigation of Accidents) Regulations (Cap. 448B) and with reference to the International Civil Aviation Organization's standards.

Preliminary Report and Public Notice on serious incident of Boeing B747-400F freighter released

The Air Accident Investigation Authority (AAIA) today (July 16) released the Preliminary Report and Public Notice PLR-2024-01 on a serious incident concerning a multiple hydraulic system failure of a Boeing B747-400F freighter (registration mark N406KZ) operated by Atlas Air at Hong Kong International Airport on June 17, 2024.

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Red flag hoisted at Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (July 16) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach in Islands District. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Government launches public consultation for 2024 Policy Address (with video)

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region today (July 16) launched a public consultation for the Chief Executive's 2024 Policy Address. The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, will deliver his third

Policy Address this October.

"My team and I have been listening to your views all along, and we have put up concrete measures to improve governance, create a strong impetus for growth, earnestly address people's concerns and difficulties in their daily lives, and work together to safeguard harmony and stability." Mr Lee said.

"Over the past year or so, we have enacted the local legislation for Article 23 of the Basic Law to fulfil the constitutional responsibility, and improved district governance. It is now the best time for Hong Kong to focus on developing our economy and improving our livelihood. In the days to come, the Government will continue to unite and lead society in seeking innovation and changes, and strive for excellence and success for Hong Kong. We will also stand atop and look afar, capitalise on our strengths and seize all opportunities, so as to let our people enjoy better lives."

"I invite you all to give your views on the 2024 Policy Address. We will listen to and consider your views carefully, and we look forward to receiving your views and hearing your thoughts. Let's embrace the future together!"

The Government will hold more than 40 consultation sessions to receive the views and suggestions of Legislative Council Members, representatives of different sectors and members of the public. The Chief Executive and the principal officials will also conduct district visits to meet with members of the public and representatives of different sectors and listen to their views directly.

Starting from today, members of the public can offer their views through the Policy Address website (www.policyaddress.gov.hk), via the dedicated Facebook page for the Policy Address public consultation (www.facebook.com/PolicyAddressConsultation), or by email (policyaddress@cepu.gov.hk), phone (2432 1899) or fax (2537 9083).

Second stop of "Anti-drug Info Zone: Stride Ahead Into A Drug-free Future" Roving Exhibition to be staged at 34th Hong Kong Book Fair (with photos)

The "Anti-drug Info Zone: Stride Ahead Into A Drug-free Future" Roving Exhibition (Anti-drug Roving Exhibition) will move to the 34th Hong Kong Book Fair from July 17 to 23. Members of the public are welcome to visit the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition at booth A32 at the "Children's Paradise" section of the Hong Kong Book Fair.

The Anti-drug Roving Exhibition is co-organised by the Narcotics Division (ND) of the Security Bureau and Action Committee Against Narcotics (ACAN), and is designed with the theme of interstellar space. Drugs are portrayed in the exhibition as aliens that should be defeated. This visual representation helps present the adverse effects caused by drugs on one's mind and body in a vivid manner. And by seeing the aliens, everyone will be strongly reminded again to stay away from drugs at all times, and of the dire consequences of committing drug crimes. The annual Hong Kong Book Fair has always been well received by members of the public. By joining the Hong Kong Book Fair, the ND and ACAN wish to reach out to more citizens to help them learn about drug harm correctly.

Including the elements of STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) and multimedia, the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition is divided into different theme zones with games, digital exhibition panels and a photo booth to spread anti-drug knowledge to visitors, and provide them with information about criminal liability for drug offences and other details. A game with the name "Drug Taking Facial Filter" has been set up particularly for the stop at the Hong Kong Book Fair. Through a camera, visitors can see the damage on their appearance after taking different drugs. It vividly shows how drugs could harm a drug abuser's body.

In addition, the ND and ACAN will organise a parental talk, which will be given by multimedia producer Mr Kay Ho and specialist in psychiatry Dr Tsang Fan Kwong onstage at the "Children's Paradise" section of the Hong Kong Book Fair at 12.30pm on Sunday (July 21). Mr Ho, also known as "Super Daddy", and another guest, Ms Charis Chung, will talk about how to strengthen children's determination to stay away from drugs in terms of parenting and parent-child communication, while Dr Tsang will describe, using his medical expertise, the physical harm caused by drugs. The talk is open to visitors to the Hong Kong Book Fair.

After the Hong Kong Book Fair stop, the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition will be held at shopping malls in different districts and tertiary institutes. For more details of the Anti-drug Roving Exhibition, please visit the dedicated webpage on the ND's website (www.nd.gov.hk/en/rovingexhibition.html). Information about the Hong Kong Book Fair, including admission, opening hours, etc, can be obtained from: hkbookfair.hktdc.com/en/index.html.

Moreover, in order to highlight the harm caused by cannabis to youngsters during the summer holidays, the ND and ACAN have just launched TV and radio Announcements in the Public Interest with the message of staying away from cannabis. This new advertisement aims to tell audiences through rap that "Cannabis is a drug", and a good life is always cannabis-free. Members of the public are welcome to watch the video via this link (youtu.be/8atgZfs8i0w).

