Missing man in Kwai Chung located

A man who went missing in Kwai Chung has been located.

Tan Yong-leng, aged 83, went missing after he left his residence in Shek Lei (I) Estate yesterday (March 31) afternoon. His family made a report to Police today (April 1).

The man returned to his residence this afternoon. He sustained no injuries and no suspicious circumstances were detected.

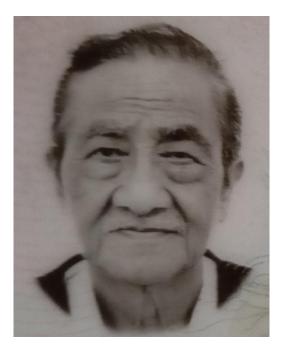
Appeal for information on missing man in Kwai Chung (with photo)

Police today (April 1) appealed to the public for information on a man who went missing in Kwai Chung.

Tan Yong-leng, aged 83, went missing after he left his residence in Shek Lei (I) Estate yesterday (March 31) afternoon. His family made a report to Police today.

He is about 1.6 metres tall, 54 kilograms in weight and of medium build. He has a square face with yellow complexion and white short hair. He was last seen wearing a white shirt, a black vest, dark trousers, black leather shoes and carrying a black crossbody bag.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing man or may have seen him is urged to contact the Regional Missing Persons Unit of New Territories South on 3661 1176 or 6383 4337 or email to rmpu-nts-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.





Hong Kong Customs seizes live turtles of suspected scheduled endangered species (with photos)

â€<Hong Kong Customs today (April 1) detected a smuggling endangered species case at Hong Kong International Airport and seized 63 live turtles of suspected scheduled endangered species with an estimated market value of about \$819,000.

The case involved a 37-year-old transit male passenger who arrived in Hong Kong from Malaysia yesterday (March 31) and planned to take a flight to the Philippines. When Customs officers conducted examination of the man's check-in baggage, 63 live turtles were found therein. Upon inspection by officers of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD), the live turtles were suspected to be endangered species listed in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora and regulated under the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586) in Hong Kong.

The case has been handed over to the AFCD for follow-up action. Hong Kong Customs reminds the public not to carry controlled items into and out of Hong Kong.

Under the Ordinance, any person importing, exporting or possessing specimens of endangered species not in accordance with the Ordinance commits an offence and will be liable to a maximum fine of \$10 million and imprisonment for 10 years upon conviction with the specimens forfeited.

Members of the public may report any suspected smuggling activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form (cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002).





All gazetted beaches continue to meet bacteriological Water Quality Objective (with photos)

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) released the 2023 Beach Water Quality Report today (April 1). The report indicates that all 42 gazetted beaches in Hong Kong continued to fully achieve the bacteriological Water Quality Objective (WQO) for bathing waters that year, with 26 beaches ranked as "Good" and the remaining 16 ranked as "Fair". No beaches were ranked as "Poor" or "Very Poor".

An EPD spokesman said, "All the gazetted beaches have maintained full compliance with the WQO for 14 consecutive years since 2010.

"The satisfactory beach water quality over the years is attributed to the Government's continuous efforts and extensive resources dedicated to the implementation of various pollution control and environmental improvement measures, including the enforcement of the Water Pollution Control Ordinance and Livestock Waste Control Scheme, extension of the sewerage network to the beach hinterland, and the implementation of the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme.

"The EPD will continue to closely monitor the beach water quality and provide daily forecasts through the new Beach Water Quality Forecast System, launched in August 2023, which has further enhanced the beach water quality management and related services with the application of smart technologies for better safeguarding the health of beachgoers," the spokesman added.

The 2023 Beach Water Quality Report can be found at the EPD's website (www.epd.gov.hk/epd/beach).





Fatal traffic accident in Yuen Long

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Yuen Long today (April 1) in which a 71-year-old man died.

At 5.44am, a taxi driven by a 65-year-old man was travelling along Tai Tong Road towards Tai Tong. Upon approaching near Sham Chung Tsuen, it reportedly knocked down the 71-year-old man.

Sustaining leg injuries, the man was rushed to Pok Oi Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 7.51am.

The taxi driver was arrested for dangerous driving causing death and is being detained for enquiries.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, New Territories North is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 3800.