## <u>TD appeals members of public to pay</u> <u>attention to latest traffic conditions</u>

The Transport Department (TD) said today (November 11) that public transport services have been seriously affected due to various incidents over the territory. The TD appeals members of the public to pay attention to latest traffic announcements.

A number of stations and routes of the MTR network are affected to varying degrees, causing delay in the overall service. Services of the following routes have been suspended temporarily:

\* East Rail Line from Lok Ma Chau/Lo Wu to University Station; and
\* Tseung Kwan O Line from Po Lam/ LOHAS Park to Yau Tong Station

MTR has been providing free shuttle bus services for the above routes with temporary service suspension. In addition, affected stations, including Tung Chung, Kwai Hing, Kwai Fong, Lam Tin, Whampoa, Sai Wan Ho, Sha Tin and Heng On, have been closed.

Regarding road traffic, due to road blockages in many districts, traffic has been seriously affected. In particular, the Kowloon exit of the Hung Hom Cross Harbour Tunnel is seriously paralysed with road blockage on Chatham Road and the roads in the vicinity. Traffic is also congested in San Wan Road in Sheung Shui, Fanling Highway Tai Po bound near MTR Fanling station, Nathan Road North bound near Dundas Street and Shau Kei Wan Road near Tai On Street and the situation may last for some time.

As at 11.30am, over 70 sets of damaged traffic lights have yet to resume operation in various districts. Motorists and pedestrians are advised to be patient and pay attention to road safety when passing through the affected junctions.

The TD urges commuters using public transport services to allow more travelling time. Traffic conditions and railway services may change within a short period of time. Members of the public are advised to continue to stay tuned to the latest traffic news. Details are available at TD's website (<a href="http://www.td.gov.hk/tc/home/index.html">www.td.gov.hk/tc/home/index.html</a>) or mobile application "HKeMobility".