

TD reminds public of special traffic and transport arrangements on Hong Kong Island this Sunday

The Transport Department (TD) today (June 7) reminded the public that special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented on Hong Kong Island on Sunday (June 9) to facilitate a public procession from Victoria Park to the Legislative Council Complex.

At about 3pm, a public procession will be held at Victoria Park and depart from Victoria Park, travelling via Causeway Road westbound, Irving Street westbound, Pennington Street northbound, Yee Wo Street westbound, Hennessy Road westbound, Queensway westbound, across Queensway, Rodney Street, Harcourt Road westbound, Harcourt Road eastbound and Tim Mei Avenue northbound to terminate at the Central Government Offices.

The special traffic arrangements will mainly include:

1. From about 1.30pm, the roads in the vicinity of Victoria Park and the Causeway Bay shopping area (such as Sugar Street and Jardine's Bazaar) will be closed in phases;
2. From about 2.45pm, westbound carriageways of Causeway Road, Yee Wo Street and Hennessy Road will be closed; and
3. From about 4pm, both directions of Queensway and Harcourt Road, Rodney Street, Drake Street, Tamar Street, the section of Des Voeux Road Central eastbound between Pedder Street and Queensway and the roads in the vicinity of the Central Government Offices will be closed.

A total of 92 bus routes and 14 green minibus routes operating in the affected areas will be temporarily diverted, and one green minibus route will be temporarily suspended. In addition, the tram services between Tong Shui Road and Queensway will be suspended. The public transport operators will display notices to inform passengers of the temporary arrangements.

Car parks within the affected areas will be suspended during the road closure period. Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precinct of the special traffic arrangements specified above will be towed away by the Police without prior notice.

The TD anticipates that the traffic in the vicinity of Causeway Bay, Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central will be significantly congested. Motorists are advised to avoid driving to the affected areas. They should exercise tolerance and patience in case of traffic congestion, and follow the instructions given by the Police.

Members of the public who plan to go to the affected areas are advised

to plan their routes early, allow more travelling time to cater for unexpected delay and use public transport services as far as possible, in particular railway services. Public transport commuters are advised to pay attention to the arrangements of route diversions, suspension and relocation of stops.

The TD and the Police will closely monitor the traffic situation and implement appropriate measures whenever necessary. Members of the public are advised to be alert to the latest traffic news through the media.

Details of the special traffic and transport arrangements are available at the TD's website (www.td.gov.hk). For enquiries, please call 1823.