

Updates on road-based public transport services and damaged traffic lights

The Transport Department (TD) today (November 13) said that public transport services have been seriously affected this morning due to continued large-scale road blockages and damage to road facilities to varying degrees. In view of safety concerns and uncertain road conditions, franchised buses can only provide limited services. The New Territories East, the New Territories West and Kowloon have been affected more seriously. With the temporary removal of obstacles on individual roads and the coordination of the TD and public transport operators, the numbers of routes providing limited services by the bus companies as at 11am are as follows:

Citybus and New World First Bus: 70

Kowloon Motor Bus and Long Win Bus: 25

Cross harbour bus: 13

In addition, traffic lights in various districts have been damaged in the past few days and more than 240 sets are under urgent repair. Those in Yau Tsim Mong, Sha Tin, Yuen Long and Tai Po are seriously affected and the repair work on some of the road sections including Nathan Road and Argyle Street in Mongkok, Tai Chung Kiu Road and Siu Lek Yuen Road in Sha Tin, Tin Shui Road in Tin Shui Wai and Tai Wo Road in Tai Po is expected to take some time. Motorists and pedestrians are advised to be patient and pay attention to road safety when passing through the affected junctions.

For the safety of road users, the TD again appeals to members of the public to stop damaging traffic lights and other road facilities. As road conditions and railway services may change in a short period of time, the TD urges commuters to continue to stay tuned to the latest traffic news. For details, please visit the TD's website (www.td.gov.hk/tc/home/index.html) or mobile application "HKEMobility".