

# Welcome Home Ceremony held for Hong Kong, China Delegation to Indonesia 2018 Asian Para Games (with photos)

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government hosted a Welcome Home Ceremony at Hong Kong International Airport today (October 14) to greet the Hong Kong, China Delegation to the Indonesia 2018 Asian Para Games (APG) on their victorious return from the games.

Speaking at the ceremony, the Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, commended the athletes for their outstanding performance following prolonged arduous training. With their determination, never-give-up spirit and strong will that were fully demonstrated during the competitions, they made remarkable achievements to win a total of 48 medals at the games, comprising 11 gold, 16 silver and 21 bronze.

Mr Lau also said, "The Government has implemented the recommendation of the consultancy study on 'Sport for People with Disabilities in Hong Kong' to provide full-time training opportunities to athletes with disabilities. With the subsequent implementation of the Pilot Scheme for Elite Support System for Disability Sports, athletes with disabilities will be able to receive more systematic support to enhance the quality of their training so as to achieve breakthrough results."

The 2018 APG was held from October 6 to 13 in Jakarta, Indonesia. A total of 101 Hong Kong athletes took part in 10 events at the games, comprising archery, athletics, badminton, boccia, lawn bowls, shooting, swimming, table tennis, tenpin bowling and wheelchair fencing.

Other guests attending the ceremony included the Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs, Mrs Cherry Tse; the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services, Ms Michelle Li; the Honorary President of the Hong Kong Paralympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled (HKPC & SAPD), Dr York Chow; and the President of the HKPC & SAPD, Mrs Jenny Fung.



