

## SFST continues to attend Asian Development Bank Annual Meeting in Fiji (with photos)

The Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Mr James Lau, continued to attend the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Nadi, Fiji today (May 4).

At the Business Session which closed this year's Annual Meeting, Mr Lau shared that the uncertainties over international trade and economic prospects over the past year had rendered trusts and reliable partnerships all the more important at this juncture. He appealed to ADB members to work together as a whole to get the right infrastructure in the right place at the right time, saying that it would be the key to the sustainable growth of Asia.

Mr Lau added that as an international financial centre with deep and liquid financial markets in the region, Hong Kong would continue to play an active role in supporting and promoting infrastructure investment in Asia.

On the sidelines of the Annual Meeting, Mr Lau met with the Director General of the Department of International Financial and Economic Cooperation of the Ministry of Finance, Mr Zhang Wencai; and the Executive Director for China to the ADB, Mr Cheng Zhijun. They exchanged views on Hong Kong's contribution to the long-term development of the ADB.

Mr Lau will return to Hong Kong tomorrow (May 5).



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## Special traffic arrangements for race

## meeting in Sha Tin tomorrow

Police advise motorists that special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Sha Tin to facilitate the race meeting tomorrow (May 5).

The arrangements will come into effect two hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

Appropriate traffic signs will be put up and police will be on hand to guide motorists.

The Police also appeal to people going to Sha Tin Racecourse for the race meeting and to Happy Valley Racecourse for cross betting to make maximum use of public transport.

Parking spaces at the two racecourses are available only to holders of appropriate permits issued by Hong Kong Jockey Club and any vehicles illegally parked will be towed away.

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Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

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## Key statistics on service demand of A&E Departments and occupancy rates in

## public hospitals

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

During the service demand surge, the Hospital Authority is closely monitoring the service demand of Accident and Emergency Departments and the occupancy rate in public hospitals. Key service statistics are being issued daily for public information. Details are in the appended table.

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The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (May 4) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach, Turtle Cove Beach, Shek O Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach in Islands District; Clear Water Bay First Beach and Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.