## SCMA to attend Conghua Racecourse Exhibition Raceday opening ceremony in Guangzhou

The Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Patrick Nip, will depart for Conghua, Guangzhou, in the afternoon on March 22 (Friday) to accompany the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, in attending the opening ceremony of the Exhibition Raceday at Conghua Racecourse the next day (March 23) to be held by the Hong Kong Jockey Club in collaboration with the Conghua District Government.

Mr Nip will return to Hong Kong in the evening on March 23. During his absence, the Under Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Andy Chan, will be the Acting Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs.

#### **Effective Exchange Rate Index**

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 is 103.2 (same as yesterday's index).

## SHA expresses deep sorrow over passing of Mr Kenneth To

â€<The Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, today (March 19) was deeply saddened and expressed his sorrow over the passing of Hong Kong swimming athlete Mr Kenneth To. He extended his condolences to Mr To's family.

Mr Lau said, "Representing Hong Kong, Mr To had repeatedly achieved extraordinary results in multiple swimming events and was the holder of a number of Hong Kong records. His achievements were remarkable and Mr To's passing at such a young age is a great loss to Hong Kong sports. He will be remembered fondly."

### **Exchange Fund Bills Tender Results**

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Tender date : March 19, 2019

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Q1912

Issue date : March 20, 2019
Maturity date : June 19, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$92,550 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$43,128 MN

Average yield accepted : 1.50 PCT Highest yield accepted : 1.52 PCT

Pro rata ratio : About 92 PCT Average tender yield : 1.56 PCT

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Tender date : March 19, 2019

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : H1941

Issue date : March 20, 2019

Maturity date : September 18, 2019

Amount applied : HK\$29,950 MN Amount allotted : HK\$11,000 MN

Average yield accepted : 1.54 PCT Highest yield accepted : 1.56 PCT

Pro rata ratio : About 88 PCT Average tender yield : 1.70 PCT

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Pro rata ratio

Tender date : March 19, 2019

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Y1987

Issue date : March 20, 2019
Maturity date : March 18, 2020
Amount applied : HK\$25,581 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$1,300 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.54 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.55 PCT

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Hong Kong Monetary Authority tenders to be held in the week beginning March 25:

Tender date : March 26, 2019

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : Q1913

Issue date : March 27, 2019 Maturity date : June 26, 2019

Tenor : 91 Days

Amount on offer : HK\$43,056 MN

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Tender date : March 26, 2019

Paper on offer : EF Bills Issue number : H1942

Issue date : March 27, 2019
Maturity date : September 25, 2019

Tenor : 182 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$11,000 MN

# Additional office for Legal Advice Scheme for Unrepresented Litigants on Civil Procedures to commence operation tomorrow at Wanchai Tower

The additional office for the Legal Advice Scheme for Unrepresented Litigants on Civil Procedures (Procedural Advice Scheme), located at Wanchai Tower, will commence operation tomorrow (March 20).

The Procedural Advice Scheme provides free legal advice on civil procedural matters to unrepresented litigants who satisfy the income eligibility limit and have not engaged lawyers nor been granted legal aid, and are parties to civil legal proceedings (including commencement of proceedings) in the Lands Tribunal, Family Court, District Court or the courts above. Since its launch in 2013, the Scheme has conducted over 13 000 advice sessions for about 4 200 eligible litigants.

The additional office at Wanchai Tower can meet increasing service needs and provide more accessible service to litigants involved in District Court and Family Court cases. The current office at High Court Building will continue to provide service to litigants in need. The addresses and opening hours of the two offices are as follows:

Office	Address	Opening Hours
11	Harbour Road. Wan Chai	Monday to Friday: 8.45am to 1pm and 2pm to 6pm
II -	Room LG21/, LG 2/F, High Court	Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays: Closed

All applications must be submitted in person at the Scheme Office. Also, applicants who are parties or wish to join as parties to civil proceedings must provide relevant and recent court documents.

For details, please call 2259 5017 or visit the dedicated webpage of the Procedural Advice Scheme at <a href="https://www.admwing.gov.hk/eng/public\_service/paso.htm">www.admwing.gov.hk/eng/public\_service/paso.htm</a>.