

## [Police open fire in Sham Shui Po](#)

Police are investigating a Police open fire case in Sham Shui Po this morning (November 7).

At about 7.40am, while police officers were conducting an anti-crime patrol in Sham Shui Po MTR Station, they found a suspicious 55-year-old man. When officers intercepted the man, the man took out a cutter from his backpack, extended the blade and attacked officers. The officer gave verbal warning to the man but in vain and fired one shot at the man. The man was subsequently subdued by officers.

The 55-year-old man was arrested for assaulting police officer and possession of offensive weapon. He sustained injuries on abdomen and was sent to Princess Margaret Hospital in conscious state.

Investigation by the Regional Crime Unit of Kowloon West is underway.

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## [Third day auction results for Victoria Park Lunar New Year Fair stalls](#)

A total of 96 dry goods stalls were successfully let on the third day auction for stalls at the 2019 Victoria Park Lunar New Year Fair today (November 7).

Around 410 people attended the auction at the Assembly Hall, Lai Chi Kok Government Offices, 19 Lai Wan Road, Lai Chi Kok, Kowloon, from 9am to 6pm today, a spokesman for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department said.

The average bid price for the dry goods stalls today was \$28,160, with the successful bids ranging from \$16,701 to \$55,000. The highest bid, \$55,000, was about 3.9 times the opening price of \$14,230.

The auction for the remaining 100 dry goods stalls will be held at 9am tomorrow (November 8) at the same venue.

The spokesman reminded the successful bidders to comply with all the stipulations and provisions as set out in the licence agreement. Otherwise, the department is entitled to terminate the agreement and the licensee shall immediately vacate the stall.

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## Hong Kong and Sichuan sign MOU on investment promotion co-operation

Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK) and the Sichuan Provincial Department of Commerce signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today (November 7) at a breakout session during Sichuan-Hong Kong-Macao Cooperation Week, pledging mutual co-operation on investment promotion exchange and support.

The MOU was signed by the Acting Director-General of Investment Promotion at InvestHK, Dr Jimmy Chiang, and the Director General of the Sichuan Provincial Department of Commerce, Mr Liu Xin, and witnessed by guests including Vice-Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference Mr C Y Leung; the Secretary of the CPC Sichuan Provincial Committee, Mr Peng Qinghua; the Vice-Governor of Sichuan Province Mr Li Yunze; and Deputy Director of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Mr Tan Tieniu.

The document aims to provide a framework to enhance co-operation of the two places in investment promotion and business opportunities, especially in the areas of financial services, exhibitions, trading, commerce and retail, and logistics arising from the Belt and Road Initiative.

The roundtable had around 130 participants, comprising senior representatives of the organisers and co-organisers in Sichuan and Hong Kong as well as representatives of various professional services industry and business associations in Hong Kong.

Dr Chiang told the panel that the MOU marks a new milestone in the relations between Hong Kong and Sichuan in terms of investment promotion. He said that Hong Kong, as a strategic city in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area with a crucial role in the Belt and Road Initiative, offers Sichuan companies a global business platform with strong support in areas such as financial services, professional services and dispute resolution.

Dr Chiang said, "Hong Kong and Sichuan have very close trade and economic ties, and Hong Kong is also one of the largest sources of foreign direct investment in Sichuan. The MOU signed today between InvestHK and the Sichuan Provincial Department of Commerce will reinforce our collaboration amid the Belt and Road Initiative."

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## **CHP investigates suspected food poisoning related to calcium oxalate raphide**

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health is today (November 7) investigating a case of suspected food poisoning, and hence reminded the public to beware of vegetables containing calcium oxalate raphide.

The male patient, aged 70, developed tongue numbness and sore throat immediately after consuming a wild plant at home in North District on November 3. He attended the Accident and Emergency Department of North District Hospital on the same day and was admitted for further management. He has been in a stable condition and was discharged yesterday. The clinical diagnosis was suspected calcium oxalate raphide poisoning.

Initial investigations revealed that the wild plant the patient had consumed was picked at a hillside near his residence. The CHP's investigation is ongoing.

Plants containing calcium oxalate raphide (a needle-shaped crystal of the chemical) can injure the skin and mucous membranes and cause irritation, such as numbness and burning sensation of the tongue, mouth and lips, and swelling of the tongue and lips. Consumption of vegetables containing calcium oxalate raphide may cause food poisoning.

Members of the public should:

- Not pick and consume wild plants;
- Purchase vegetables from reliable suppliers; and
- Remove any plants mixed with edible vegetables and wash them thoroughly before cooking and consumption.

The public may visit the page on [Calcium Oxalate Food Poisoning](#) of the Centre for Food Safety of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department for more information and health advice.

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## Manager and operator fined for illegal club operation

A man and a woman were fined \$3,000 each at the Kowloon City Magistrates' Courts today (November 7) for contravening the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance.

The courts heard that in April last year, officers from the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA) of the Home Affairs Department conducted an inspection at a club on Portland Street in Mong Kok which had been operating with a certificate of compliance (CoC).

OLA officers posed as customers and patronised the club for food and drinks without being asked to show their membership status or being invited to join the club as members. Also, the staff of the club failed to show the registered drawings upon the OLA officers' request. Conditions 17 and 19 of the CoC were breached.

The man and the woman, being the manager of the club and the CoC holder of the club respectively, were charged with contravening section 21(1) (a) and section 21(2) of the Ordinance.

A spokesman for the department reminded all CoC holders to comply with the conditions as stipulated therein. Enforcement action will continue to be taken against illegal club operations.