

## Government officials visit Henan Province to attend Ancestor Worship Ceremony of Yellow Emperor

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Algernon Yau; the Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Miss Alice Mak; and the Under Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Mr Raistlin Lau, will depart for Zhengzhou in Henan Province tomorrow (March 30), to attend the Ancestor Worship Ceremony of the Yellow Emperor in the Year of Yisi on behalf of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government.

They will return to Hong Kong on March 31. During the absence of Mr Yau and Miss Mak, the Under Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Dr Bernard Chan, and the Under Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Mr Clarence Leung, will act as the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development and the Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs respectively.

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## Latest situation of Silverstrand Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (March 29) that the red tide off Silverstrand Beach in Sai Kung District has dissipated and the water quality of the beach is suitable for swimming.

However, due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at the Silverstrand Beach. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at the beach.

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## CFS urges public not to consume a kind of imported double cream detected with

## total bacterial count exceeding legal limit

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) announced today (March 29) that a sample of prepackaged pasteurised double cream imported from the United Kingdom (UK) was detected with total bacterial count exceeding the legal limit. The CFS urged the public not to consume the affected batch of the product. The trade should stop using or selling the batch of the product concerned immediately if they possess it.

Product details are as follows:

Product name: British Double Cream 300ml  
Brand: Marks & Spencer  
Place of origin: UK  
Importer: Alf Retail Hong Kong Limited  
Packing: 300ml per pack  
Use-by date: March 29, 2025

A spokesman for the CFS said, "The CFS collected the above-mentioned sample at the import level for testing under its routine Food Surveillance Programme. The test result showed that the total bacterial count for the sample was 394 800 per millilitre. According to the Milk Regulation (Cap. 132AQ), milk after heat treatment by means of pasteurisation should not contain more than 30 000 bacteria per millilitre."

The CFS has informed the importer concerned of the irregularity, and has temporarily suspended the permission to import for sale of the product concerned granted earlier to the importer. The importer concerned has stopped selling and removed from shelves the affected batch of the product upon the CFS's instructions and has initiated a recall. Enquiries about the recall can be made to the importer's hotline at 3656 2253 during office hours.

The spokesman said that the total bacterial counts exceeding the legal limit indicated that the hygienic conditions were unsatisfactory, but did not mean it would lead to food poisoning.

The CFS will inform the British authorities of the incident, and will continue to follow up on the case and take appropriate action.

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## Commissioner of Police encourages

## graduates to fulfill duties with “Law, Reason and Empathy” (with photos)

The Commissioner of Police, Mr Siu Chak-ye, inspected the passing-out parade for 29 probationary inspectors and 158 recruit police constables at the Hong Kong Police College today (March 29) and witnessed the graduates becoming members of the Force, ready to shoulder the noble mission of safeguarding national security and protecting the lives and property of citizens.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mr Siu encouraged the graduates to embrace their responsibilities as law enforcers who adhere to the principles of "Law, Reason, and Empathy". He explained that "Law" represents the legal framework, emphasising the importance of impartiality and fairness in law enforcement while also requiring officers to set an example of lawfulness themselves. "Reason" highlights the significance of understanding through communication to reduce unnecessary misunderstandings and conflicts, thereby enhancing professionalism in handling incidents. "Empathy" encourages officers to put themselves in the shoes of others, considering the underlying reasons behind citizens' requests for assistance.

He shared several stories about how citizens praised Force members for their professionalism and efficiency in assisting them in distress, exemplifying understanding and care for individuals in need. He encouraged the graduates to demonstrate professionalism in their duties, and to strive for continuous improvement by leveraging the public trust they have earned while prioritising the well-being of citizens. He stressed that professional police officers should not only focus on "completing the tasks", but more importantly, aim "to excel in their duties".

Reflecting on his 36-year career in the Force, Mr Siu said that his aspiration was to uphold justice and maintain law and order. He stated that it was not just a job for him, but a passion that brought him immense satisfaction. He felt fortunate to be part of the Force and considered working alongside with colleagues – sharing both hardship and joy – is a source of great fulfillment and a life without regrets.

He firmly believed that with the dedication and professionalism of his police colleagues, along with the support of stakeholders and the general public, Hong Kong's law and order will continue to improve, allowing citizens to live and work in a better community.

In conclusion, he inspired the graduates with the words, "Work is exciting because of the challenges, life is fulfilling because of the efforts", urging them to uphold their aspirations of joining the Force and to continue the over 180-year tradition of excellence of the Police Force. He also encouraged them to embody the core values of "Honour, Duty and Loyalty", that is to be loyal to the mission of the Force; sincere in protecting citizens; brave and courageous in protecting citizens in any conditions,

thereby ensuring Hong Kong remains one of the safest and most stable cities in the world.



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## Red flags hoisted at some beaches

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The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (March 29) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; Silverstrand Beach and Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at these beaches.