

Prince of Wales Hospital announces passing away of COVID-19 patient

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for the Prince of Wales Hospital today (August 22) announced that a 82-year-old female patient confirmed with COVID-19 infection (case number: 4367) passed away this afternoon.

The patient was admitted to the Hospital due to fever on August 11. She was later confirmed positive for COVID-19 and her condition was stable. She had been deteriorating subsequently and eventually succumbed at 1.34pm today.

The Hospital is saddened about the passing away of the patient and would offer necessary assistance to her family members. Including the above case, 76 COVID-19 patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.

Latest arrangements for Hongkong Post services

Hongkong Post today (August 22) announced that all post offices (including mobile post offices and all post offices situated in Wong Tai Sin District) will resume their normal business hours starting from August 24.

In parallel, mail collection from posting boxes and mail delivery service (including that for Speedpost items) will also resume normal. For buildings with COVID-19 confirmed cases within the past 14 days, Hongkong Post will strengthen the service of mail delivery to the letter boxes in the lobbies to three times a week, yet door delivery service will remain suspended until the building concerned is removed from the list of buildings with confirmed cases within the past 14 days.

Hongkong Post said, after verification, that the COVID-19 testing arranged by the department covered 3 658 frontline staff, and the results for 1 944 of them who volunteered to undergo the testing were negative.

Hongkong Post will continue to adopt various measures on social distancing and infection control at all post offices, and provide frontline staff with protective gear such as face shields, protective goggles, masks, alcohol swabs, alcohol-based handrub and gloves.

For further enquiries, please call the Hongkong Post enquiry hotline at

Correctional officers stop remand person in custody attempting suicide by hanging

Correctional officers stopped a 60-year-old male remand person in custody from attempting suicide by hanging in Siu Lam Psychiatric Centre yesterday (August 21).

At 11.19pm yesterday, a correctional officer found the remand person in custody attempting suicide by hanging himself with his pyjamas trousers tied to the grille bar of his cell. Officers at the scene immediately stopped the act and called for reinforcement. The person in custody was found conscious. After receiving examination and treatment, he was sent to a public hospital for further treatment. A clinical psychologist of the department will follow up on the case.

A spokesman for the Correctional Services Department said, "The department uses all possible measures to prevent persons in custody from attempting suicide or self-harm. These measures include administrative arrangements, improvement of institution facilities, staff training and first aid services."

The person in custody was remanded for the offence of arson in August 2020.

Video series on 30th anniversary of promulgation of Basic Law rolls out

To celebrate the 30th anniversary of promulgation of the Basic Law and enhance the public's understanding of the Basic Law provisions, the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau (CMAB) today (August 22) rolled out a video series on the 30th anniversary of the promulgation of the Basic Law.

The video series on the 30th anniversary of the promulgation of the Basic Law features:

- (1) a comprehensive short film for the 30th Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Basic Law; and
- (2) six thematic videos focusing on different topics, namely
 - (i) "Origin of the Basic Law";
 - (ii) "Drafting and Consultation";
 - (iii) "Rights and Freedom";
 - (iv) "Rule of Law";
 - (v) "International Financial Centre"; and
 - (vi) "Looking Ahead".

A CMAB spokesman said, "The video series reviews the guidelines of 'one country, two systems' and the origin of the Basic Law, examines the safeguard of institutions under the Basic Law, and analyses the ways that the Basic Law enables the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) to preserve its strengths and maintain its prosperity and stability, and its citizens to enjoy their pleasant livings in some 20 years since the return to the motherland."

The videos had been uploaded to the CMAB's webpage (www.cmab.gov.hk), the thematic webpage of the 30th anniversary of the promulgation of the Basic Law (www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/anniversary30/activities.html), and the Facebook page of the CMAB (www.facebook.com/cmab.gov.hk).

Moreover, to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the promulgation of the Basic Law, the CMAB, besides producing the video series, also organises a series of activities to promote the Constitution and the Basic Law to different sectors of our society, including launching web games in March and an online exhibition in April (bl30a-exhibition.org), and hosting a webinar in June to enhance the public's understanding of the Basic Law (www.basiclaw.gov.hk/en/anniversary30/seminar.html).

The Basic Law was adopted by the National People's Congress and promulgated on April 4, 1990. It came into effect on July 1, 1997, when the HKSAR was established. The Basic Law is enacted in accordance with the Constitution of the People's Republic of China, and enshrines in the form of law the important concepts of "one country, two systems", "Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong" and a high degree of autonomy. The Basic Law prescribes the systems to be practised in the HKSAR in order to ensure the implementation of the basic policies of the People's Republic of China regarding Hong Kong.

[Customs and Excise Department WeChat](#)

Official Account for cross-boundary drivers officially launched (with photos)

The Customs and Excise Department (C&ED) today (August 22) launched a WeChat Official Account for dissemination of information on Customs vehicle clearance at land boundary control points to the cargo industry and members of the public.

The C&ED has been using various channels including SMS and e-mail to provide the latest Customs clearance information for the Road Cargo System (ROCARS) users of the cross-boundary cargo transport industry.

To further strengthen communication with the industry and the public, the department set up the WeChat Official Account for providing comprehensive and timely Customs vehicle clearance information on land boundary control points for the cross-boundary cargo transport industry and private car and coach drivers.

Diversified information will be available on the account platform, including details of the latest Customs clearance arrangements, special clearance reminders, and points to note for importing and exporting commodities.

To obtain the latest information, cross-boundary vehicle drivers can search for the account "Customs and Excise Department" on the WeChat mobile application or use the application to scan the Official Account's QR code.

The C&ED will inform ROCARS users of the account's launch. Promotional leaflets will also be distributed to cross-boundary drivers at land boundary control points. In the meantime, the QR code has been uploaded to the C&ED's website (www.customs.gov.hk/tc/home/index.html).

SMS and email channels will continue to be used to convey the latest land boundary control point clearance information to ROCARS users.



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