

Award presentation ceremony of ACAN 60th Anniversary – Colouring and Drawing Competition held at Hong Kong Jockey Club Drug InfoCentre (with photos)

Organised by the Action Committee Against Narcotics (ACAN) and the Narcotics Division (ND) of the Security Bureau, the award presentation ceremony of ACAN 60th Anniversary – Colouring and Drawing Competition was held today (February 23) at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Drug InfoCentre (DIC). During the ceremony, student winners from primary and secondary schools were recognised for their creative expression conveying the determination against drugs.

The theme of the competition is "Commemorating 60 Years of Unwavering Anti-drug Efforts: Stride Towards a Drug-free Hong Kong" and is one of the events commemorating the 60th anniversary of ACAN. Children and young people can showcase their artistic talents through colouring and drawing. They can also enhance their awareness of drug issues through participation, hence enabling them to stay away from drugs.

The competition received over 3 600 entries from 175 primary and secondary schools, competing for the champion, first runner-up, second runner-up and merit awards in each category. The primary and secondary schools with the highest participation also received awards. The top three winning artworks in each category will be adopted as the designs of ACAN's 60th anniversary special stamps. The 24 winning entries are displayed for public viewing at the DIC until March 23 (Sunday).ã€€

Speaking at the award presentation ceremony, the Chairman of ACAN, Dr Donald Li, said that the care and support from families and teachers provide young people with a strong base to confront drug issues. He expressed hope that this competition would further encourage parents and teachers to maintain open communication with the younger generation and to show more care to the physical and mental development of the younger ones. In addition, schools should also step up their efforts to promote a healthy lifestyle and foster a drug-free culture among students. Dr Li also reminded everyone that etomidate, the main active ingredient of "space oil drug", and its three analogues have been listed as dangerous drugs. He urged everyone, "Don't fall into 'space oil drug' traps!"

For more details of the competition, please visit the dedicated webpage on the ND's website (www.nd.gov.hk/en/ACAN60Acompetition.html).

