

# Civil Service College holds Thematic Study Programme on Modern Chinese History (with photos)

The Civil Service College (CSC) has launched a new Thematic Study Programme on Modern Chinese History under The 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China: Striving towards a New Era Series, to enhance civil servants' understanding of the history of the country's endeavours over the past century and explore Hong Kong's role and contributions along the journey of national rejuvenation. The first session of the programme was delivered today (September 20) by the Executive Director of the Academy of Chinese Studies, Dr Yau Yat.

Addressing the session, the Secretary for the Civil Service, Mrs Ingrid Yeung, pointed out that this year marks the 75th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China (PRC). At this important juncture, civil servants should humbly learn and gain a deeper understanding of Chinese history, comprehend the path of the national modernisation, and reflect on their identities, roles and missions in the process of national development.

Mrs Yeung said that modern Chinese history is an important journey in shaping the new China. Over the past century, the Chinese nation has undergone monumental historical changes. Generation after generation of Chinese people have ceaselessly strived and endeavoured for the country, sustaining the Chinese nation to the present day. Through this programme, she encouraged participants to reflect on their roles and responsibilities as Hong Kong civil servants, inheriting and continuing the great mission of national rejuvenation, while contributing to the country and Hong Kong.

Around 270 middle and senior-level civil servants from more than 40 bureaux and departments attended the programme.

The Thematic Study Programme on Modern Chinese History consists of five sessions, making use of important historical events from the late Qing dynasty to the founding of the PRC, to examine the endeavours and evolution of the country over the past century in the aspects of politics, economics, society and foreign relations. This programme is a key training initiative in The 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China: Striving towards a New Era Series. Other topics covered in the Series include the country's foreign affairs, national security and national innovation and technology.

