

Grants approved for flood victims in Vietnam

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has accepted the advice of the Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee and approved from the Disaster Relief Fund two grants totalling \$5.63 million to two agencies for providing relief to flood victims in Vietnam.

Announcing the grants today (December 30), a Government spokesman said that there were around 7.7 million people in the flood affected area. The two grants – one of \$1.938 million to Plan International Hong Kong and one of \$3.692 million to World Vision Hong Kong – will be used to provide food kits, hygiene kits and household kits to benefit around 59 820 victims. As the targeted localities of the relief agencies are different, there will be no overlapping of resources. The Committee hopes the grants would facilitate the provision of timely relief to the victims and help them restore their normal living.

"To ensure that the money is used for the designated purposes, the relief agencies will be asked to submit evaluation reports and audited accounts on the use of the grants after the relief projects have been completed," the spokesman said.