

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected dangerous drugs and suspected phenacetin (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (June 16) seized about 2.4 kilograms of suspected cocaine, about 10 grams of suspected crack cocaine and about 200g of suspected phenacetin with a total estimated market value of about \$2.25 million in Kwai Chung.

During an anti-narcotics operation in Kwai Chung yesterday afternoon, Customs officers intercepted a man and found about 1kg of suspected cocaine inside a bag carried by him. The 26-year-old man was then arrested.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers escorted the arrested man to a residential premises nearby where about 1.4kg of suspected cocaine, about 10g of suspected crack cocaine, about 200g of suspected phenacetin and a batch of drug packaging paraphernalia were further seized.

Investigation is ongoing.

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, any person who possesses any poison included in Part 1 of the Poisons List other than in accordance with provisions commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$100,000 and imprisonment for two years.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

