

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected dangerous drugs (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (July 15) seized about 1.6 kilograms of suspected ketamine, about 32 grams of suspected methamphetamine and a small quantity of suspected herbal cannabis with an estimated market value of about \$830,000 in Tsuen Wan.

During an anti-narcotics operation conducted last night, Customs officers intercepted a man in Tsuen Wan and found a small quantity of suspected ketamine inside the pocket of his trousers. He was then arrested.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers escorted the arrested man to a residential premises nearby for a search, during which about 1.6kg of suspected ketamine, about 25g of suspected methamphetamine, a small quantity of suspected herbal cannabis and a batch of drug packaging paraphernalia were seized. Later, a small quantity of suspected methamphetamine was further seized inside the arrested man's residence in the district.

The arrested man, aged 47, has been charged with three counts of trafficking in a dangerous drug. He will appear at the West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (July 17).

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.

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).

