

SCS visits Civil Service Training and Development Institute (with photos)

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip, visited the Civil Service Training and Development Institute (CSTDI) today (May 11) to learn more about the planning and organising of various training and development programmes. He also met with the management and front-line training officers and encouraged them to keep up the efforts to provide suitable training programmes for civil servants.

During his meeting with the managerial staff, Mr Nip was briefed on the planning work on training on leadership and management, national studies and the Basic Law, innovation and technology application and language and communication.

Amid the changing environment in Hong Kong and the rising public expectations of government services, the CSTDI is committed to enhancing the leadership and management skills of civil servants to enable them to cope with various challenges ahead.

On the other hand, under the principle of "one country, two systems", civil servants of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region should have an accurate understanding of the constitutional order established under the Constitution of the People's Republic of China and the Basic Law. There are also practical operational needs for civil servants to enhance their understanding about the systems and developments, as well as the social and economic situation in the Mainland, and to keep abreast of the national strategies and plans that may affect Hong Kong, so as to complement the country's development. The CSTDI has therefore enhanced substantially national studies and Basic Law training for civil servants in recent years.

Mr Nip also toured the facilities of the CSTDI such as the resource centre, the auditorium and classrooms for holding different types of courses, lectures and workshops. He said he was pleased to learn that the CSTDI has continued to provide civil servants with multimedia learning resources at the Cyber Learning Centre Plus during the epidemic, and is actively making preparations for the resumption of classroom training.

Before concluding his visit, Mr Nip met with some training officers and listened to them discuss their work and challenges facing them. He stressed that the Government attaches great importance to civil service training and hopes that civil servants have a sense of national identity, commitment to serving Hong Kong and a wide perspective as well as strive for excellence so as to cope with various challenges and provide better services to the public. He added that the civil service college, expected to be completed in 2026, will be equipped with new facilities for civil service training.

Mr Nip encouraged colleagues of the CSTDI to continue their persistence

in striving for excellence so as to make contributions to the training and development of the civil service.

