

SEE attends Hong Kong-Shenzhen Joint Working Group on Environmental Protection (with photo)

The Secretary for Environment and Ecology, Mr Tse Chin-wan, today (September 24) led a delegation to Shenzhen to attend the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Joint Working Group on Environmental Protection meeting. Also attending the meeting were the Permanent Secretary for Environment and Ecology (Environment), Miss Janice Tse; the Director of Environmental Protection, Dr Samuel Chui; and representatives from the Environment and Ecology Bureau, the Environmental Protection Department and the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department.

Various collaboration issues were discussed in the meeting, including landfill management, marine pollution prevention and control, and cross-border transportation using new energy. Both sides reported on the progress of various work items and exchanged views at the meeting. For example, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government has completed a freezing survey of the number and locations of oyster rafts in Deep Bay, and will continue to maintain close communication with Shenzhen regarding the management of the oyster rafts. As for the North East New Territories Landfill, Hong Kong has implemented a series of improvement measures and will continue to collaborate with Shenzhen to further enhance the odour control at the Landfill.

Mr Tse said, "I look forward to continuing to strengthen communication and co-operation with Shenzhen on ecological and environmental protection through the Joint Working Group, which is a highly meaningful platform, so as to enhance the work on environmental protection and ecology, and to make proactive contributions to our country's ecological civilisation and building a beautiful China."

Mr Tse will return to Hong Kong this evening.

