Red flag hoisted at Shek O Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (August 21) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Shek O Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Regional flag day today

Three charities have been issued Public Subscription Permits to hold flag sales from 7am to 12.30pm today (August 21). They are, on Hong Kong Island, Giving Love Elderly Charitable Limited; in Kowloon, Hong Kong Rehabilitation Power; and in the New Territories, Pok 0i Hospital, a spokesman for the Social Welfare Department (SWD) said.

Arrangements have been made with the charities to help people distinguish between the three flag-selling activities.

Information on the three flag-selling organisations on August 21 is as follows:

IIRAAIAN	Name of Organisation	Colour of Collection Bag	Colour of Flag
II .	Giving Love Elderly Charitable Limited	Yellow	Yellow
II .	Hong Kong Rehabilitation Power	Blue	Light Brown
New Territories	Pok Oi Hospital	Red	White

For enquiries, please call the SWD's hotline at 2343 2255, or the designated hotline of the 1823 Call Centre at 3142 2678. Information on flag days is available at the SWD's website

(www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site_whatsnew) and the GovHK portal (www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search). Permits for flag days containing contact information of the flag-selling organisations and information on the

approved flag-selling activities have also been uploaded to the SWD's website (www.swd.gov.hk/en/index/site_pubsvc/page_controlofc/sub_recentlyap). For enquiries about the detailed flag-selling arrangements, please contact the individual flag-selling organisations.

Details of the charitable fund-raising activities covered by the Public Subscription Permit issued by the SWD have also been uploaded to the GovHK website (www.gov.hk/fundraising).

In the case of suspected fraudulent flag day activities, people should not make any donation and should immediately report the matter to the Police, the spokesman added.

<u>Appeal for information on missing</u> <u>woman in Tsuen Wan (with photo)</u>

Police today (August 20) appealed to the public for information on a woman who went missing in Tsuen Wan.

Tsang Chun-mui, aged 44, went missing after she was last seen at MTR Tsuen Wan Station on June 29 afternoon. Her family made a report to Police on July 1.

She is about 1.58 metres tall, 55 kilograms in weight and of medium build. She has a round face with yellow complexion and long black hair. She was last seen wearing a pink short-sleeved shirt and blue jeans.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing woman or may have seen her is urged to contact the Regional Missing Person Unit of Kowloon West on 3661 8038 or email to rmpu-kw@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



Seventy-one students awarded scholarship for excellence (with photos)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, today (August 20) officiated at the Award Presentation Ceremony 2019 of the Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme (HKSES). Seventy-one students were selected as the fifth cohort of awardees.

Speaking at the Ceremony, Mrs Lam said that given the resounding success of the previous four cohorts, the HKSES will be regularised from the 2019/20 academic year onwards, making it a permanent feature in the Government's nurturing of young people. She said that she looked to the awardees, the future generation, to drive business, innovation and technology, arts and culture, academic research and other meaningful activities in Hong Kong and beyond, and that she was confident that they will make significant long-term contributions to Hong Kong's reputation as a highly competitive, diverse and cosmopolitan city.

All the awardees received their formal secondary school education in Hong Kong, studying either local or non-local curricula. Among them, 56 will be pursuing undergraduate study and 15 postgraduate study at world-renowned universities.

The disciplines that they are going to pursue cover a wide spectrum, ranging from conventional ones such as law, social science, natural science, business management and STEM subjects to disciplines of study that are not

available in Hong Kong, such as, history of art and archaeology, information experience design and cinema studies (moving image archiving and preservation). Distribution of the awardees by different disciplines is at Annex.

The diverse pool of scholarship recipients reflects the variety and vibrancy of Hong Kong. The contribution of this group of talents to the society after their graduation and homecoming is expected to fuel further and long-term development of Hong Kong in different aspects and facets.

Competition for the scholarships was keen and vigorous, with 813 applicants who will commence their undergraduate or postgraduate studies in the 2019/20 academic year vying for the title. The awardees have gone through a highly competitive process and demonstrated excellence in their academic and leadership qualities.

As the selection process is still ongoing, some more applicants may be offered the scholarship after today's ceremony. A list of the awardees as of August 20, 2019 has been uploaded on to the HKSES website (www.edb.gov.hk/hkses).

The HKSES aims to support local students to pursue studies at world-renowned universities outside Hong Kong with a view to grooming a top cadre of talents with global vision, an international network and world-class education, thereby contributing to enhancing Hong Kong's competitiveness as Asia's world city in a globalised knowledge economy. Key features of the scholarship scheme are available at the HKSES website.

Details of the next cohort applications for the HKSES will be announced shortly.





North District Hospital responds to media enquiries on a patient case

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

In response to media enquiries on a patient case, the spokesman for the North District Hospital (NDH) replied as follows:

A 62-year-old male patient escorted by police attended the Accident and Emergency Department (A&E) on June 25. The patient was sent to the Disturbed Patient Room for treatment and observation due to his unstable emotion and irritated behaviour, which had affected other A&E patients. The patient was guarded by police during the hospitalisation. Regular surveillance was conducted and no abnormal situation was noted by clinical staff. The patient was then sent to the observation ward around 9am and was discharged around 5pm on the next day (June 26).

The NDH received an enquiry from a councilor on June 27 regarding a patient that had been treated inappropriately by police at the Disturbed Patient Room. On July 4, the NDH received an application from the councillor, who applied for a copy of CCTV footage on behalf of the patient concerned during hospitalisation at the Disturbed Patient Room. The hospital processed the application and released the footage on August 12 in accordance with the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance and the Hospital Authority's relevant code of practice. The NDH had liaised with the patient through councillor's office, who expressed that reporting to the police is not required.

The patient had not made any complaints to clinical staff and the hospital during hospitalisation. The hospital will fully co-operate with police in the investigation.