

## CE attends seminar on 40th anniversary of participation of Hong Kong and Macao in country's reform and opening up in Beijing (with photos/video)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, today (November 11) led a Hong Kong delegation to attend a seminar in Beijing on the 40th anniversary of the participation of Hong Kong and Macao in the country's reform and opening up and addressed the seminar.

In the Morning, Mrs Lam, together with the Financial Secretary, Mr Paul Chan; the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau; the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Patrick Nip; the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Mr Chan Kwok-ki and other members of the delegation attended the seminar on the 40th anniversary of Hong Kong and Macao's participation in the reform and opening up of the country at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse. The seminar, co-organised by the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) and the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, reviewed the history of Hong Kong and Macao's participation in the reform and opening up of the country, and looked ahead to the key development aspects of the country's further reform and opening up as well as the role of Hong Kong and Macao in the overall development of the country.

Addressing the seminar, Mrs Lam said that Hong Kong has leveraged its strengths to meet the country's needs during the 40 years of the reform and opening up of the country. She said that while Hong Kong helped the country with capital, talent, management expertise and international marketing network at the beginning of the opening up and served as a platform to provide services for Mainland enterprises to go global in the later period, the city whose role had been evolving along the way became an international centre of finance, trade, maritime and professional services. She pointed out that with the further reform and opening up of the country, Hong Kong has equipped itself in a few aspects to integrate into the overall development of the nation, including maintaining the city's advantage of "One Country, Two Systems"; consolidating and enhancing the traditional industries that enjoy advantages, especially the financial services industry; forging ahead innovation and technology; seizing the opportunities brought about by the Belt and Road Initiative and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area; and giving full play to Hong Kong's status as the freest economy in the world to contribute to the country's promotion of free trade and investment.

Mrs Lam and members of the delegation then attended a lunch hosted by the NDRC and visited the Palace Museum afterwards. They were introduced by the Director of the Palace Museum, Dr Shan Jixiang, the latest development of the Palace Museum and the work of its Hospital for Conservation. Members of the delegation were pleased to know that the precious collection of watches

of the Palace Museum will be the theme of a large-scale exhibition to be staged by the Palace Museum in Hong Kong this year.

Mrs Lam and members of the delegation will continue their visit to Beijing tomorrow (November 12).



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## Car park at Hong Kong Wetland Park full

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

The car park at Hong Kong Wetland Park is full. Motorists going to the Park can use the nearby public car parks at Tin Heng Estate, Tin Yat Estate, Grandeur Terrace or Tin Yip Road.

Members of the public are encouraged to take public transport to the Park.

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## **Update on cluster of Parainfluenza Virus Type 3 cases in Siu Lam Hospital**

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Parainfluenza Virus Type 3 in a female ward for severe intellectual disability, the spokesperson for Siu Lam Hospital made the following update today (November 11):

One more 70-year-old patient in the ward had presented with respiratory symptoms. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patient and the test results were positive to Parainfluenza Virus Type 3. The patient concerned is being treated under isolation with stable condition.

Admission to the ward has been suspended and restricted visiting has been imposed. Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance.

The case has been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.

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## **N0 Disposables Campus Award encourages all primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong to go plastic-and-disposable-free**

The following is issued on behalf of the Environmental Campaign Committee:

The impact of excessive plastic waste has aroused grave concern worldwide in recent years. As plastic waste is hardly degradable, it has led to serious marine pollution after entering the ocean. In the light of this, the Environmental Campaign Committee (ECC), the Environmental Protection Department and the Education Bureau have jointly launched the N0 Disposables Campus Award under the 17th Hong Kong Green School Award in the 2018/19 school year, with WWF-Hong Kong appointed as the technical consultant, to encourage primary and secondary schools to set their goals for avoiding the use of disposables and share good practices on waste reduction on school

campuses.

The ECC calls on all local primary and secondary schools to raise awareness of the plastic pollution problem and participate actively in the NO Disposables Campus Award and go plastic-and-disposable-free with every sector in the community. Schools can complete the online application form at [www.wwf.org.hk/en/no\\_disposables\\_campus.cfm](http://www.wwf.org.hk/en/no_disposables_campus.cfm), and a confirmation email will be sent to them within one week. The application deadline is December 3 (Monday). For details of the Award, please refer to the application guide at [school.ecc.org.hk/eccschool/uploadfiles/english/File/N0%20Disposables%20Campus%20Award\\_Final%20\(Eng\).pdf](http://school.ecc.org.hk/eccschool/uploadfiles/english/File/N0%20Disposables%20Campus%20Award_Final%20(Eng).pdf).

In addition to award certificates, schools with outstanding performance in going plastic-and-disposable-free may also be invited to share their valuable experience in establishing a NO Disposables Campus with the education sector and the media at the Presentation Ceremony of the 17th Hong Kong Green School Award to be held next year.

For enquiries, please call 2835 1738 or 2835 2379.

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## Liquor Licensing Board to meet on Tuesday

The following is issued on behalf of the Liquor Licensing Board:

The Liquor Licensing Board will meet on Tuesday (November 13) to consider four applications for new issue, renewal or amendment of liquor licences.

The applications are (not in order of discussion):

Hong Kong:

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BLUE SUPREME in Sheung Wan  
Tomo Bar in Tai Hang

New Territories:

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"Sum Yee Kitchen Hot Pot" in Tsuen Wan  
Fan Straight Lane in Yuen Long

The meeting will be held at 9.45am in the conference room, Room 102, 1/F, 258 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai. Members of the public are welcome to attend, except during the private session on confidential items.