

## **DH follows up on sentinel event of private hospital**

In response to the media enquiry on a sentinel event involving a maternal death at a private hospital, the Department of Health (DH) today (September 6) gave a response as follows:

On July 6 this year, the DH received a notification of a sentinel event from a private hospital involving a maternal death. The hospital has reported the case to the Coroner.

The DH has initiated a series of investigation and follow-up action immediately upon receiving the hospital's notification, including a site inspection on the day of receiving notification to verify the hospital's compliance with the regulation under the Code of Practice for Private Hospitals in respect of staffing, accommodation or equipment. The DH has also reviewed the hospital's credentialing mechanism on doctor's qualification, experience, performance and eligibility to work at the hospital. Moreover, the DH has requested the hospital's Medical Advisory Committee to review the quality of care for the case and take relevant follow-up actions, as well as to submit an investigation report in four weeks. Meanwhile, the DH had sought independent professional opinion from expert on the clinical management of the case. Based on the investigation findings with consideration of expert's opinion received yesterday (September 5), the DH today referred the case to the Medical Council of Hong Kong. The relevant follow-up action of the DH is ongoing.

According to the relevant regulation of the Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance (Cap. 633), private healthcare facilities (including private hospitals) are required to report the reportable events, including sentinel events and serious untoward events, to the DH within the specified time-frame. The DH will regularly upload the related statistics and information of the reportable events onto the [website of Office for Regulation of Private Healthcare Facilities](#).

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## **Tai Po Hospital announces a healthcare worker assaulted incident**

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Tai Po Hospital (TPH) made the following statement today (September 6) regarding a healthcare worker assaulted incident:

A staff member of an infirmary ward was assaulted by a visitor this morning. Ward staff reported to the Police immediately and security staff also arrived on the scene to assist. The injured staff was sent to the Accident and Emergency Department of Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital for treatment. The injured staff, who suffered from head injury requiring sutures, injuries of eye, mouth and arm, was discharged after treatment.

The hospital is highly concerned about the incident and expressed sympathy to the injured staff. The hospital will provide psychological support to the staff in need. The hospital resolutely adopts a zero-tolerance attitude to any workplace violence, strongly condemns the violent acts of the person concerned, and will follow up seriously and fully co-operate with the Police investigation.

TPH has all along attached great concern to work safety for its staff under prevailing guidelines and measures to prevent workplace violence. The hospital will review and strengthen control measures in the ward to ensure workplace safety. The hospital appeals to patients and relatives to follow the advices of healthcare workers.

The hospital has reported the incident to the Hospital Authority Head Office via the Advance Incident Reporting System.

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## **Hong Kong Customs steps up enforcement actions at Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Control Point (with photos)**

Hong Kong Customs and the Police, starting August 1, have conducted joint enforcement operations at the Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Control Point to step up enforcement actions concerning outbound travellers.

As at yesterday (September 5), Customs detected eight related cases, and seized in total about 18 kilograms of suspected scheduled dried sea cucumbers and about 2 000 used mobile phones with a total estimated market value of about \$700,000. Eight persons suspected of connected with the cases were arrested. The seized items have been handed over to relevant departments for follow-up.

Under the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance, any person who imports, exports or possesses endangered species not in accordance with the Ordinance will be liable to a maximum fine of \$10 million and imprisonment for 10 years upon conviction, while the relevant items will be confiscated.

Under the Telecommunications Ordinance, any person who imports or exports any radiocommunications transmitting apparatus without a licence or permit commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$25,000 and imprisonment for one year.

Customs will continue the enforcement actions.

Members of the public may report any suspected illegal exporting of prohibited/controlled articles activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account ([crimereport@customs.gov.hk](mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk)) or online form ([eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002/](http://eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002/)).



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## [Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Customs Intellectual Property Enforcement Cooperation Meeting convened \(with photos\)](#)

Hong Kong Customs, the Guangdong Sub-Administration of the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China and Macao Customs Service convened the third Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Customs Intellectual Property Enforcement Cooperation Meeting yesterday and today (September 5 and 6). The Assistant Commissioner (Intelligence and Investigation) of Customs and Excise, Mr Mark Woo; the Level I Bureau Rank Official of the Guangdong Sub-Administration of the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China, Ms Liu Hong; and the Acting Assistant Director-General of Macao Customs Service, Mr Ip Va-chio, led respective delegations to attend the meeting in Hong Kong.

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During the meeting, the three Customs administrations summarised recent enforcement outcomes of intellectual property rights (IPR) protection. Taking the 12-day joint enforcement operation conducted from August 21 to September

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In addition, Mr Woo put forward three collaboration directions for IPR enforcement in the Greater Bay Area (GBA): (1) strengthen co-operation on real-time intelligence exchanges, risk management, and the use of big data to proactively monitor and analyse the trends of related crimes; (2) enhance the training and exchanges among frontline officers. Hong Kong Customs will organise next year an IPR protection workshop for Customs authorities in the Asia-Pacific region to deepen the understanding of respective laws and jurisdictions among enforcement officers and facilitate the sharing of enforcement experiences; and (3) strengthen connections between the three Customs administrations and the IPR industry, and expand multiple communication platforms to contribute to the high-quality development of China.

The three parties agreed to the collaboration directions and pledged to safeguard intellectual property rights in the GBA.

The Customs authorities of Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao have all along placed great importance on IPR protection. In order to implement the Outline Development Plan for Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, the three have strengthened their collaboration in intellectual property protection through intelligence exchanges, joint operations, and visits and exchanges, since 2019. The biennial Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Customs Intellectual Property Enforcement Cooperation Meeting also serves as a valuable platform for them to summarise co-operative achievements, exchange enforcement experiences, and formulate future enforcement strategies.



## Hong Kong Heritage Museum's special opening arrangement on September 12 to commemorate Leslie Cheung's 67th birthday (with photo)

September 12 (Tuesday) is the 67th birthday of Leslie Cheung. The Hong Kong Heritage Museum (HKHM) will make a special arrangement to open the museum, which is normally closed on Tuesdays, to commemorate this all-time superstar with the public. The "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition", as well as other exhibitions in the museum, will be open to the public from 10am to 6pm that day. The HKHM will also present free movie screenings and music performances.

Free screenings of two movies namely "Okinawa Rendez-vous" and "Ashes of Time (Redux)" starring Leslie Cheung will be held at the theatre on the first floor of the museum at 11am and 3pm respectively on September 12. Audiences can queue up for admission 15 minutes before the programme commences. Admission is free with limited quota on a first-come, first-served basis. The museum will also arrange two free music performances at the lobby at 11.30am and 2.30pm respectively. Visitors can enjoy classic hits of Leslie Cheung and other Hong Kong pop songs from different generations performed by young busking performers.

On the other hand, the Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival 2023 organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) will present free music performances, Busking@Museum, at the museum lobby on four Sundays in September at 2pm. Local and young busking teams will perform local pop songs. There is no seating arrangement for the performances and no admission ticket is required.

With exceptional talent and a unique style, Leslie Cheung became one of Hong Kong's most influential superstars. His numerous music, film and TV works over the years established his status as an icon in the glory days of Cantopop and Hong Kong cinema in the 1980s and 1990s. The HKHM's "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition" showcases a total of 61 precious exhibits including four concert costumes worn by Leslie Cheung, such as the red cloak and suit with stonework and the pair of red high heels in his "Live in Concert 97", the outfit with white feathers and the pair of blue embellished jeans worn by him in his "Passion Tour" concert, and the meticulously crafted seashell culottes designed for him by a famous French designer. The exhibition also presents some of his vinyl records, such as "For Your Heart Only" (White Edition), "Stand Up" (Purple Edition); music, movie and TV awards like the 1984 Jade Solid Gold Best Ten Music Presentation – "Monica", the Best Film Song of the 14th Hong Kong Film Awards – "Chase", and the Best Album Award of the Four Channels Song Award – "Untitled". Visitors can also enjoy Leslie Cheung's photo album "Celebration" photographed by Wing Shya and some concert

photos.

Presented by the LCSD and organised by the HKHM, the exhibition is supported by Les FANmily and will run until October 9 at the HKHM (1 Man Lam Road, Sha Tin) with free admission. Apart from "Miss You Much Leslie Exhibition", visitors are also welcome to visit the "Hong Kong Pop 60+" permanent exhibition, "Bruce Lee: a Timeless Classic" pop-up display and "A Man Beyond the Ordinary: Bruce Lee" exhibition to learn more about Hong Kong's pop culture. For details of the exhibitions and programmes of the HKHM, please visit the museum website at [hk.heritage.museum/en\\_US/web/hm/exhibitions/data/exid276.html](http://hk.heritage.museum/en_US/web/hm/exhibitions/data/exid276.html), Instagram at [www.instagram.com/heritagemuseum.hk](https://www.instagram.com/heritagemuseum.hk) or call 2180 8188 for enquiries.

The first Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival organised by the LCSD aims to offer an array of programmes, from pop concerts and performances to thematic exhibitions, film screenings, and outdoor and outreach activities, showcasing Hong Kong's unique cultural creativity and vibrancy. For more information on other fascinating programmes of the Hong Kong Pop Culture Festival, please visit [www.pcf.gov.hk/en](http://www.pcf.gov.hk/en).

