Online voting for 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection starts

The online voting of the 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection organised by the Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) started today (January 28).

In recent years, extreme weather conditions such as intense cold surges, scorching high temperatures, super typhoons and torrential rain have affected Hong Kong and various parts of the world. Meanwhile, melting ice in polar regions and rising sea levels have led to widespread concern on issues related to climate change across the world. Extreme weather events may cause severe damage to the ecological environment and even loss of life. Through the voting activity, the HKO hopes to arouse the public's attention to significant weather and climate events in Hong Kong and around the world and enhance their understanding on climate change and its impacts on human lives.

The voting activity began online today, with participants able to select five weather and climate events from the shortlist in each of the two given categories, namely "Hong Kong" and "Worldwide", that they consider the most significant or impactful or the most representative in the climate crisis. Participants of the voting activity may have a chance to get an HKO souvenir.

The website of the 2016-2020 Top 10 Mind-boggling Weather and Climate Events Selection is <u>eforms.weather.gov.hk/selection/intro.fm</u>. The voting period will end on February 28. Voting results will be announced in late March.





Government posts notices of land resumption for public housing development in Tung Chung

The Lands Department posted today (January 28) notices of land resumption in accordance with section 4 of the Lands Resumption Ordinance (Cap. 124) for the public housing development in Area 42, Tung Chung.

A total of 124 private lots with a total area of about 31,896.1 square metres will be resumed. The said land will revert to the Government upon the expiry of a period of three months from the date of affixing the notices, i.e. April 29.

The site formation and infrastructural works of the above development are expected to commence within this year for completion in 2023. The construction of public housing is expected to be completed in 2027.

Import of poultry meat and products from areas in Poland suspended

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department announced today (January 28) that in view of a notification from the General Veterinary Inspectorate of Poland about an outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza in CheÅ, miÅ, ski District, Kujawsko-Pomorskie Region in Poland, the CFS has instructed the trade to suspend the import of poultry meat and products (including poultry eggs) from the above-mentioned area with immediate effect to protect public health in Hong Kong.

A CFS spokesman said that according to the Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong imported about 13,500 tonnes of frozen poultry meat and about 39.08 million poultry eggs from Poland last year.

"The CFS has contacted the Polish authorities over the issue and will closely monitor information issued by the World Organisation for Animal Health and the relevant authority on the avian influenza outbreaks. Appropriate action will be taken in response to the development of the situation," the spokesman said.

February 2021 adjustment in ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations

The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department today (January 28) announced an adjustment to the auto-LPG (liquefied petroleum gas) ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations from February 1 to February 28, 2021, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contracts of the dedicated LPG filling stations.

A department spokesman said that the adjustment on February 1, 2021, reflects the movement of the LPG international price in January 2021 and the movement in the Composite Consumer Price Index in 2020. The overall adjusted auto-LPG ceiling prices for dedicated LPG filling stations will range from \$3.41 to \$3.97 per litre, representing an increase of \$0.34 per litre.

The spokesman said that the auto-LPG ceiling prices were adjusted according to a specified pricing formula. The formula comprises two elements — the LPG international price and the LPG operating price. The LPG international price is the LPG international price of the preceding month. The LPG operating price is adjusted on the first day of February every year according to the movement in the Composite Consumer Price Index in the previous year. According to the information from the Census and Statistics Department, the year-on-year rate of change in the Composite Consumer Price Index for 2020 was +0.3 per cent. The LPG operating prices of dedicated filling stations also increased according to this rate by not more than \$0.01 per litre.

The auto-LPG ceiling prices for respective dedicated LPG filling stations in February 2021 are as follows:

Location of Dedicated LPG Filling Station	Auto-LPG Ceiling Price in February 2021 (HK\$/litre)	Auto-LPG Ceiling Price in January 2021 (HK\$/litre)
Fung Yip Street, Chai Wan	3.97	3.63
Ngo Cheung Road, West Kowloon	3.97	3.63
Sham Mong Road, Mei Foo	3.63	3.29
Yip Wong Road, Tuen Mun	3.63	3.29
Marsh Road, Wan Chai	3.62	3.28

Fung Mat Road, Sheung Wan	3.55	3.21
Wai Lok Street, Kwun Tong	3.55	3.21
Yuen Chau Tsai, Tai Po	3.55	3.21
Cheung Yip Street, Kowloon Bay	3.60	3.26
Kwai On Road, Kwai Chung	3.60	3.26
Hang Yiu Street, Ma On Shan	3.41	3.07
Tak Yip Street, Yuen Long	3.41	3.07

The spokesman said that the details of the LPG international price and the auto-LPG ceiling price of each dedicated LPG filling station have been uploaded to the department website www.emsd.gov.hk. They are also posted at dedicated LPG filling stations to enable the trades to monitor the price adjustment.

Details of the pricing adjustment mechanism for dedicated LPG filling stations can also be viewed under the "What's New" section of the department website at www.emsd.gov.hk/en/what-s-new/current/index.html.

Hongkong Post holiday arrangements for Lunar New Year 2021

Hongkong Post announced today (January 28) that no mail delivery and no mail collection will be provided during the Lunar New Year holidays from February 12 to 15. All post offices will be closed. In accordance with the usual practice, mail posted during the public holidays will be processed on the next working day.

For more information, members of the public may visit Hongkong Post's website at www.hongkongpost.hk or call the Hongkong Post enquiry hotline at 2921 2222.