

TD appeals to members of public to use public transport to Lantau Island during Lunar New Year holiday

The Transport Department (TD) today (February 11) said that in view of the likely surge in the number of visitors to Lantau Island for leisure and outings during the upcoming Lunar New Year holiday, the TD urges members of the public to use public transport and avoid driving private cars to the Tung Chung town centre as far as possible.

According to the TD's observations, the traffic flow to Lantau Island during weekends upon the opening of the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Tunnel (TM-CLK Tunnel) significantly increased as compared with that during typical weekends. Most of the journeys were leisure trips made by private cars, which brought an extra traffic load to areas in the vicinity of the TM-CLK Tunnel and the Tung Chung town centre.

The TD appealed to members of the public to use public transport to Lantau Island as far as possible. As the parking spaces in the Tung Chung town centre are limited, motorists can consider booking a parking space and parking their cars at the car parks at the Hong Kong Port of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, Sunny Bay and Hong Kong Disneyland Resort and interchange with MTR or bus services to Tung Chung. They are also strongly advised to secure a parking space before making a trip.

The TD has requested relevant public transport operators, including the MTR and franchised bus companies, to closely monitor the changes in passenger demand and consider strengthening services whenever necessary. The Police will step up traffic direction and diversion in the Tung Chung area, and will take rigorous enforcement action against illegal parking.

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