





Chapter I

Foreword

To give a full account of the Government's work, it has been our practice to publish a document to supplement the Policy Address listing out those ongoing and new initiatives. Last year, we introduced a new format using more infographics to make the document more readable and expanded it to cover on a cumulative basis the progress made since the beginning of the current-term Government. This comprehensive account has generally been welcomed by the media and the community at large.

The year 2020 is an exceptional year for Hong Kong, with the COVID-19 pandemic bringing unprecedented challenges to the economy and disruptions to school learning, businesses and social life and reinforcing the need for public health vigilance and the wider application of technology. As a result of unjustified response towards the enactment of The Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the National Security Law), Hong Kong has been put at the forefront of China-US tension and has been subject to unfair commentaries internationally and various sanctions by the US Government. That said, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government remains steadfast in fully and effectively implementing the National Security Law in discharging the HKSAR's constitutional responsibilities to safeguard national sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity. Taking account of these exceptional happenings in the past year, we have included two new chapters in this Supplement to report on the Government's work in upholding the

fundamental policy of “One Country, Two Systems” as well as actions relating to combating the pandemic.

There are eight chapters in this Supplement. From Chapter IV onwards, each chapter is compiled around a theme and describes My Belief, Progress Made since 1 July 2017 and New Initiatives. The 2017, 2018 and 2019 Policy Addresses and related documents contained about 700 new initiatives, of which 95% have been completed or are being taken forward as scheduled. About 200 new initiatives are included in this Supplement and the 2020 Policy Address delivered by the Chief Executive today.