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Foreword

A Strategic Vision for a Bright New Era Driving Reform and Boosting Development Unleashing Opportunities and Enhancing Livelihood

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has formulated its first Five-Year Plan. It sets out the blueprint for Hong Kong's economic and social development over the next five years, and is a forward-looking, strategic, and directional guiding document. The Policy Address serves as an annual report on the Chief Executive's implementation of the Five-Year Plan, and sets out the key policy priorities for the year in response to actual circumstances. The two are interconnected and inextricably related.

Specifically, the annual Policy Address will, taking into account the global environment, economic outlook and latest dynamics, formulate the policy initiatives, key policy priorities and major projects for the year, so as to sustain the efforts in realising the overarching objectives of the Five-Year Plan. In addition, I will continue to prepare the Policy Address Supplement (Supplement), aligning with the core policy directions and strategies set out in the Policy Address, to enable the public to better grasp policy details and specific measures.

This year's Supplement covers more than 800 policy measures across various major policy areas, from fully, faithfully and resolutely implementing the "One Country, Two Systems" principle, to consolidating and enhancing our international competitiveness, developing an international innovation and technology centre, and building an international hub for high-calibre talent. They range from expediting the development of the Northern Metropolis, to better integrating into and serving the overall national development. Advancing quality education, fostering the development of a harmonious society, deepening healthcare system reform, rendering continuous support to the elderly and disadvantaged, enhancing social well-being, upholding a reformist mindset and adopting a holistic approach to development and security, are also included. While consolidating and deepening the ongoing initiatives of the Government, these measures will open up new frontiers, respond to evolving circumstances and social demands, and guide Hong Kong to seize opportunities in a changing landscape with a view to advancing towards higher-quality development.

In formulating the Policy Address, my team and I held a number of consultation sessions and visited different districts to listen first-hand to the perspectives and voices of different sectors of the community. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for their enthusiastic response. Their suggestions and advice helped us better gauge the pulse and expectation of the community. The Government will press on with determined effort to drive economic development and improve people's livelihood.

We will translate our blueprint into policy measures along the directions and strategies set out in the Five-Year Plan. With a strategic vision for a bright new era, we will spare no effort in driving reform and boosting development, as well as unleashing opportunities and enhancing livelihood.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John Lee".

John KC Lee
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**Fully, Faithfully and
Resolutely Implement the
“One Country, Two Systems”
Principle**







Background

“One Country, Two Systems” is the cornerstone of Hong Kong’s long-term prosperity and stability, and we must stay committed to the cause. With a resolute determination, we will continue to fully and faithfully implement the principles of “One Country, Two Systems”, “Hong Kong people administering Hong Kong” and a high degree of autonomy. Practical experience has proven that by upholding the principle of “One Country” and leveraging the advantages of “Two Systems”, Hong Kong is able to make better use of its strengths and seize the opportunities presented by our country’s development, ensuring the steadfast and successful implementation of “One Country, Two Systems”.

Under the great concept of “One Country, Two Systems” and its successful implementation, Hong Kong boasts the distinctive advantages of enjoying strong support of the Motherland and being closely connected to the world. As a global metropolis, Hong Kong has a sound legal system and a robust financial system, maintains a free and open economy, implements a simple tax regime with a low tax rate, and is even the sole common law jurisdiction in the world that applies a bilingual system with both Chinese and English as official languages. According to the World Competitiveness Yearbook 2026, Hong Kong’s global competitiveness has risen for the third consecutive year, to second place internationally, while its “business efficiency” is ranked third worldwide, fully reflecting the institutional strengths of “One Country, Two Systems”.

In February this year, the State Council Information Office published the white paper titled “Hong Kong: Safeguarding China’s National Security Under the Framework of One Country, Two Systems”. The white paper comprehensively reviewed Hong Kong’s endeavours in safeguarding national security, as well as the experience and insights gained in the process, setting out stances and facts in support of the full, faithful and resolute implementation of the “One Country, Two Systems” principle, and the further advancement of Hong Kong’s work in safeguarding national security. We will continue to work under the guidance of the Holistic Approach to National Security, firmly safeguard national sovereignty, security and development interests, uphold the unity of the Central Government’s fundamental responsibility and the HKSAR’s constitutional responsibility, and safeguard national security throughout the entire process of the implementation of “One Country, Two Systems”. At the same time, we will maintain our efforts to implement the principle of “patriots administering Hong Kong” and strengthen the promotion of patriotic education to ensure steady and sustained progress in the practice of “One Country, Two Systems”.

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Fully, Faithfully and Resolutely Implement the “One Country, Two Systems” Principle

Fully and Faithfully Implement “One Country, Two Systems”

Strengthen publicity and education on the Constitution and the Basic Law

- Continue to strengthen publicity and education on the Constitution and the Basic Law through diverse channels and innovative approaches, which include displaying large-sized outdoor publicity messages, producing publicity video clippings, making extensive use of online platforms and social media for publicity, organising various kinds of physical promotional activities to reach into the community, providing sponsorship to non-governmental organisations or community organisations for conducting different forms of promotional activities and researches, and consolidating community efforts for publicity targeting different groups, etc.. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Government departments and relevant organisations, Mainland Offices, overseas Economic and Trade Offices, the Invest Hong Kong, the Information Services Department, etc. will continue to utilise online and offline platforms as well as diversified activities in their further efforts to comprehensively promote Hong Kong and its unique status and advantages under “One Country, Two Systems”. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)

Safeguard National Security

Continue to review the laws on safeguarding national security

- Continue to enhance the legal system and enforcement mechanisms for safeguarding national security, upholding the unity of the Central Government’s fundamental responsibility in safeguarding national security and the HKSAR’s constitutional responsibility, and follow a holistic approach to development and security. (SB)
- Adhere to the principle that laws are observed and strictly enforced to bring offenders to account, resolutely combat such acts and activities endangering national security as infiltration, sabotage and incitement to secession. (SB)

Strengthen national security education

- Expand the National Security Exhibition Gallery and enrich its contents to promote the concept of “security brings prosperity”. (The Committee for Safeguarding National Security of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region)
- Launch a national security drama design competition to encourage young people to promote national security with creativity, and actively shoulder the important mission of safeguarding national security. (SB)
- Compile an educational picture book titled “Andy and Security Bear: Young Citizens Safeguarding National Security” and develop online resources to encourage kindergarten students to learn the concept of national security from an early age. (SB)

- Continue to press ahead with and enhance the “Andy and Security Bear” school activities, including updating the kindergarten national security education workshops by leveraging the new set of teaching and learning materials, and increase the number of interactive primary school drama performances, so as to continue with promotion of the important concept of “national security is everyone’s responsibility” to students through sustained edutainment. (SB)

Uphold and Enhance the Executive-led System

- Uphold the executive-led system and assume the main responsibility in performing the roles and functions of a co-ordinator, facilitator and enabler, and enhance the working mechanism for advancing various areas of work through pragmatic and effective measures, maintaining social stability, supporting high-quality economic development, and enhancing people’s well-being. (Relevant bureaux)

Implement the Principle of “Patriots Administering Hong Kong”

Implement the improved electoral system

- Adhere to the improved electoral system in the long run, and devote all efforts to preparing for the Election Committee Subsector Ordinary Elections to be held on 22 November 2026, and the Chief Executive Election and the District Council Ordinary Election to be held in 2027, to ensure that the elections are conducted in a fair, just, honest, safe and orderly manner. (CMAB)
- Consolidate the electoral experience and continue to enhance various electoral arrangements with the spirit of steadfastly seeking progress while ensuring stability. (CMAB)

Support clean election

- Uphold integrity and fairness in the Chief Executive Election and other public elections by taking robust enforcement actions and launching comprehensive publicity and education campaigns to combat acts of manipulating or undermining elections. (ICAC)

Strengthen patriotic forces with affection for the country and our city

- Continue to facilitate regular exchanges with the HKSAR deputies to the National People’s Congress (NPC) and the HKSAR members of the National Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) to enhance communication and collaboration, so as to rally patriots with affection for the country and our city, and to build a better Hong Kong together. (CMAB)

Promote Patriotic Education

Strengthen affection for and sense of belonging to the country

- Extend the promotion of activities for the Constitution and Basic Law Student Ambassadors Training Scheme to all publicly-funded primary and secondary schools. (EDB)
- Launch a new national security education online platform to tie in with the updated Curriculum Framework of National Security Education in Hong Kong. (EDB)
- Provide more learning and teaching resources as well as teacher training courses on national geography. (EDB)
- Increase the number of routes with “red resources” through the Mainland exchange programmes and study tours for students from 40 to at least 50 in the 2026/27 school year, including routes visiting sites of the Revolutionary History, museums, thematic memorial halls, as well as routes relating to the commemoration of the 90th anniversary of the victory of the Red Army’s Long March. (EDB)
- Deepen patriotic education for young people by making good use of our country’s resources to deliver multi-faceted and content-rich exchange and internship activities as well as designating annual themes, enabling young people to witness first-hand the country’s development and achievements, and deepening their understanding of the nation’s history and culture as well as its enduring bond and kinship with Hong Kong. (HYAB)

Promote hometown culture

- Continue to earmark a funding of \$10 million annually from the 2027-28 financial year to support clansmen associations in organising more activities, with particular emphasis on deepening young people's understanding of and sense of belonging to their hometowns. (HYAB)

Promote activities and facilities on patriotic education

- List the Yan'an Revolutionary Memorial Hall in Shaanxi Province as the second patriotic education base for the youth of the HKSAR in the Mainland, encourage students and young people to visit the place for study, and maintain constant communication and discussion with relevant Mainland departments on the inclusion of more patriotic education facilities to continually enrich Hong Kong's patriotic education resources. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Continue to maintain close co-operation with patriotic groups in various sectors to converge community resources and efforts, and organise a wider range of patriotic education activities, so as to achieve synergy between the Government and the community. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- The Working Group on Patriotic Education under the Constitution and Basic Law Promotion Steering Committee will continue to actively co-ordinate the overall strategy and specific measures on promoting patriotic education, with a view to making patriotism with affection for our country and Hong Kong a mainstream core value of Hong Kong, enabling the spirit of patriotism to take root in society and people's heart. (CSO, CMAB and relevant bureaux)

Establish a museum to showcase the development and achievements of our country

- Take forward the preparatory work for the establishment of a museum in Kwu Tung North focusing on the development and achievements of our country, showcasing our country's rapid progress and remarkable achievements in areas such as technology, sports and culture, highlighting Hong Kong's role in national development and the unique advantages of "One Country, Two Systems". (CSTB)

Promote Chinese culture

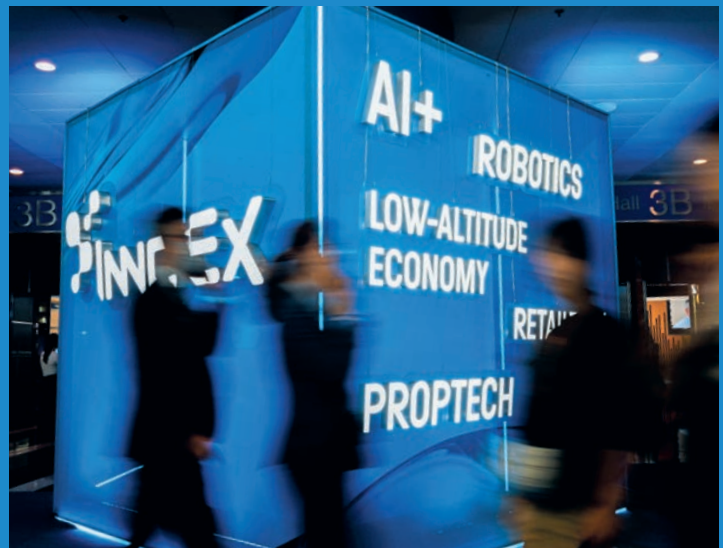
- Continue to feature high-quality projects to showcase profound traditional Chinese culture under the Chinese Culture Festival to tell the good stories of China to the world. (CSTB)
- Take forward the construction works of the Chinese Culture Experience Centre in Kowloon Park, which is scheduled for completion in 2028. (CSTB)

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Strengthen the Four Centres and Develop the Hub for High-calibre Talent







Background

The National 15th Five-Year Plan clearly supports Hong Kong in consolidating and enhancing its status as an international financial, maritime and trade centre, as well as an international aviation hub. It also backs Hong Kong in developing into an international innovation and technology (I&T) centre and building an international hub for high-calibre talent.

According to the Global Financial Centres Index published in 2026, Hong Kong continues to rank third globally. We will remain committed to deepening development of the global offshore Renminbi business and capital market, developing new growth areas in fixed income markets, enhancing the securities market, and developing a more attractive asset and wealth management ecosystem. A host of initiatives to expedite the development of an international gold trading market were proposed in last year's Policy Address. Among them, with the trial operation of Hong Kong's gold central clearing and settlement system launched in July this year, we will build on this foundation and continue to actively pursue the development of a commodity trading ecosystem.

In the maritime sector, Hong Kong has been ranked among the world's top four international maritime centres for seven consecutive years. We will continue to enhance the comprehensive strengths of our maritime industry on all fronts, driving upgrading and transformation, integrating advantages of our high value-added maritime services, and developing Hong Kong into a "Global Maritime Capital". The Hong Kong International Airport is also a world-leading aviation hub and cargo airport. We will continue to expand our aviation network and strive to develop a new aviation industry ecosystem.

On trade, Hong Kong is the world's fifth-largest trading entity in merchandise trade. Since the Task Force on Supporting Mainland Enterprises in Going Global (GoGlobal Task Force) was established in October last year, it has helped more than 340 Mainland enterprises establish a presence in Hong Kong. During the Central Asia visit of a business delegation led by the Chief Executive in June this year, nearly 100 co-operation agreements and memoranda of understanding were signed. We will continue to deepen the work of the GoGlobal Task Force, empower the transformation and upgrading of traditional industries through supply chain services, promote the development of digital trade, and expand our international economic and trade networks. These efforts will bring new impetus to keep propelling Hong Kong's trade and investment.

In the World Digital Competitiveness Ranking 2025, Hong Kong ranked fourth globally and continued to perform well in the field of technology, remaining in the top three globally. The Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Guangzhou cluster ranked first globally in the 2026 Global Innovation Index Ranking of the World's Top 100 Innovation Clusters, marking the second year in a row it has done so. We will continue to press ahead with the development of three major I&T parks and five key research and development institutions to drive the transformation and realisation of midstream outcomes and support the development of downstream industries, accelerating the development of Hong Kong's new industrialisation system, as well as the I&T industry development.

Hong Kong is the only city in the world that hosts five universities ranked among the world's top 100, highlighting our world-renowned teaching and research quality. Following the establishment of the "Task Force on Study in Hong Kong" as announced in last year's Policy Address, the first "Study in Hong Kong Week" has been held successfully to reinforce Hong Kong's leading position as the "super connector" of the global education network. We will develop the Northern Metropolis University Town, strengthen our status as an international education hub and continue to build the "Study in Hong Kong" brand to tie in with the capacity expansion and quality enhancement of institutions, while attracting and retaining talent in a targeted manner to meet our manpower needs in line with Hong Kong's strategic positioning, promoting the integrated development of education, technology and talent.

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Strengthen the Four Centres and Develop the Hub for High-calibre Talent

International Financial Centre

Global offshore Renminbi business hub

- The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) is exploring further enhancements to the Currency Swap Agreement with the People's Bank of China (PBoC) to strengthen liquidity for the offshore Renminbi (RMB) market and consolidate Hong Kong's position as a global offshore RMB hub. (FSTB)
- Explore ways to enhance the RMB Business Facility for banks to facilitate the wider use of RMB among corporate customers, supporting the wider use of RMB in real economic activities. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will introduce a tendering mechanism of seven-day offshore RMB liquidity to expand channels for banks to meet their short-term financing needs, as well as explore the issuance of offshore RMB short-term debt instruments, providing the market with more high-quality investment and liquidity management products and supporting the building of the offshore RMB yield curve. (FSTB)
- Expand dim sum bond issuance with an enhanced tenor structure in due course, seek support from the Ministry of Finance for increasing the scale and frequency of bond issuance in Hong Kong, encourage policy financial institutions to issue bonds in Hong Kong, support the issuance of more green and sustainable offshore RMB bonds in the city, and promote bond issuance in Hong Kong by multilateral development banks, as well as sovereign and quasi-sovereign issuers. (FSTB)
- The Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) will launch the HKEX Offshore RMB Bond Index to serve as a reference on market trends and an underlying index for exchange-traded funds (ETFs). (FSTB)
- The HKMA will explore expanding the product scope under the Southbound Bond Connect to include products with Hong Kong dollar (HKD) bonds and RMB bonds as underlying assets. (FSTB)
- The Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) is preparing for the inclusion of RMB counters under the Southbound Trading of Stock Connect, while the HKEX will encourage listed companies to set up RMB counters. (FSTB)
- Following the official launch of the China Government Bond Futures, the SFC will support the HKEX to enrich the suite of RMB foreign exchange futures products. (FSTB)
- The scope of acceptance of Northbound Bond Connect bonds as collateral will be expanded to the three clearing houses under the HKEX; a bond repurchase business using Southbound Bond Connect bonds as collateral will also be developed, vitalising the assets of local and non-local investors. (FSTB)
- The HKMA, the PBoC and Bank Indonesia are expected to kick-start the bilateral currency transaction framework between offshore RMB and Indonesian Rupiah within 2026, and the HKMA will explore arrangements for direct exchange between the offshore RMB and other currencies. (FSTB)

- The HKMA will encourage more foreign banks in Hong Kong to join the Cross-border Interbank Payment System directly to expand the clearing network, and will deepen collaboration with the central banks of ASEAN and the Middle East countries, forge closer ties with regions such as Central Asia and Latin America, and conduct an overseas visit to Indonesia in conjunction with the Hong Kong Association of Banks to promote Hong Kong's strengths in offshore RMB services. (FSTB)
- The HKMA issued Good Practices in mid-2026, providing reference for the industry to further expand RMB products and solutions. (FSTB)
- Work with relevant Mainland authorities for ways to further deepen mutual access between the Hong Kong and Mainland financial markets, and explore measures for further enhancement and expansion to broaden the product scope. (FSTB)
- The SFC actively supports the HKEX to include a new reference rate (i.e. "the 7-day fixing repo rate between banks in the Mainland" (FDR007)) under Swap Connect in the fourth quarter of 2026, reflecting interbank financing costs in the Mainland and facilitating global investors in their management of RMB interest rate risks, and exploring the introduction of a central clearing mechanism for bond repurchase to enhance market liquidity. (FSTB)
- The issuance of digital bonds will be regularised to drive innovations, such as using different digital currencies for settlement and exploring their full-cycle application for digital bonds (such as dividend payment and redemption). (FSTB)
- The HKMA will conduct tests on the operation of the tokenisation of Exchange Fund Bills by end-2026 to facilitate banks to further harness the advantages of tokenisation technology to make efficient, round-the-clock use of more than \$1.3 trillion worth of Exchange Fund Bills to boost the efficiency of asset and liability management. (FSTB)

Develop new growth areas in fixed income markets

- Actively take forward the measures set out in the Roadmap for the Development of Fixed Income and Currency Markets promulgated by the SFC and the HKMA, consolidating Hong Kong's status as a major bond and currency hub in the region. (FSTB)
- The SFC will refine the regulatory framework for the fixed income market by formulating internationally aligned standards for issuance and trading practices, ensuring a high standard of conduct among market participants, customer protection and risk management, while enhancing operational efficiency and global competitiveness of the market. (FSTB)
- The Bond Connect Company Limited, a joint venture established by the China Foreign Exchange Trade System and the HKEX, will develop an electronic fixed income and currency trading platform in Hong Kong. The platform will initially support bond trading, and gradually expand to money market and foreign exchange trading in due course. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will study prevailing market practices and explore innovative solutions through the Tokenised Bond Expert Group. Together with the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, the HKMA will launch the second-phase legal review to facilitate the application of Distributed Ledger Technology in the capital market. (FSTB)
- The CMU OmniClear Limited will establish a digital asset platform within 2026 to provide one-stop services in areas such as the issuance and settlement of digital bonds. (FSTB)
- Continue to issue bonds in different currencies, tenors, and formats (particularly longer-tenor HKD and RMB bonds) with a view to promoting the diversified development of the local bond market and attracting increased long-term investor participation. (FSTB)
- Explore ways to enhance market demand and liquidity for HKD and RMB bonds issued by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and other institutions, attracting a wider range of investors and long-term capital to participate in the local bond market. (FSTB)

Enhance the securities market

- The SFC will commence a consultation on streamlining the prospectus disclosure requirements in 2027 to facilitate the listing of quality overseas enterprises in Hong Kong. (FSTB)
- The SFC and HKEX will promote dual primary and secondary listing of overseas enterprises from places including Southeast Asia and Belt and Road countries in Hong Kong, and advance the inclusion of Kazakhstan's qualifying exchanges in the list of recognised stock exchanges. (FSTB)
- The SFC and HKEX will commence the second-stage consultation on enhancing the competitiveness of the listing mechanism in the third quarter of 2026, in a bid to refine requirements concerning notifiable transactions, connected transactions and spin-offs, etc., reducing compliance costs and increasing the flexibility of listed companies in corporate mergers and acquisitions, re-structuring and spin-offs. (FSTB)
- The HKEX will launch a consultation in the first half of 2027 on amendments relating to the listing regime for specialist technology companies, including a review of the market capitalisation threshold. (FSTB)
- HKEX will consult the market on the review of the GEM Listing Rules. (FSTB)
- HKEX is conducting preparations with the market for launching a "T+1" settlement cycle for the cash market upon co-ordination with relevant Mainland units, further enhancing market efficiency and infrastructure while improving the market ecosystem. (FSTB)
- The HKEX and the HKMA will introduce a wholesale central bank digital currency (CBDC) (i.e. an e-HKD payment solution) for after-hours trading of derivatives. Real-value transactions are targeted for 2026. (FSTB)
- The Central Moneymarkets Unit (CMU) operated by CMU OmniClear will launch global securities services in phases and strengthen connectivity with the markets in Europe, America, the Middle East, Central Asia and ASEAN to facilitate investors' global asset allocation through the CMU. (FSTB)
- The HKMA and HKEX will promote mutual access between CMU OmniClear and the Depository and Nominee System to pursue institutional and technological breakthroughs for exploring the establishment of a unified asset management framework for bonds and stocks, creating cross-asset synergy. (FSTB)
- The HKEX will support the industry to develop a variety of thematic indices, broaden the diversity of bond indices, explore the development of commodity indices, and launch more index-based ETFs and derivatives, fostering a financial index ecosystem. (FSTB)
- The Derivatives Market Consultative Panel of the HKEX will explore enriching the derivatives ecosystem further, including launching more short-dated stock options, thematic futures and options, etc. (FSTB)
- The SFC will encourage and support the HKEX to enhance the margining arrangement across clearing houses and conduct assessments on participants' offsetting position risks in different markets, lowering the costs and improving efficiency. (FSTB)
- The SFC will encourage and support HKEX's plan to expand the eligible non-cash collateral types and reduce the relevant fees. (FSTB)
- Launch the uncertificated securities market regime to enhance market efficiency and infrastructure standard. (FSTB)
- Amend the Securities and Futures (Stock Market Listing) Rules to provide the SFC with greater operational flexibility in vetting listing applications, and to encourage issuers and listing applicants to make disclosures in a more transparent and accurate manner to provide more extensive protection for investors. (FSTB)

International asset and wealth management centre

- Step up promotion after the passage of a bill on the enhancement of the preferential tax regimes for funds, single-family offices and carried interest, attracting more funds and family offices to establish a presence in Hong Kong and more global capital to be managed in the city. (FSTB)

- Introduce a bill within 2026 to enable the privatisation or restructuring of real estate investment trusts (REITs), and introduce another bill in the first half of 2027 to provide a stamp duty waiver for the transfer of non-residential properties for REITs seeking to list. (FSTB)
- The SFC will streamline its procedures to attract quality overseas REITs to Hong Kong for dual-listing. (FSTB)
- The SFC will amend the Code on Unit Trusts and Mutual Funds in the fourth quarter of 2026 to promote innovation in fund products and broaden investors' choices, ensuring that Hong Kong's regulatory regime for authorised funds aligns with international standards. (FSTB)
- Continue to seek early inclusion of REITs under mutual-market access so as to enhance the liquidity and attractiveness of REITs trading in the Mainland and Hong Kong. (FSTB)
- Promote investment by Mainland insurance funds in Hong Kong ETFs through mutual market access, and expand the scope of eligible ETF products under the scheme. (FSTB)
- The SFC will promote cross-listing of ETFs on the HKEX and Southeast Asian exchanges. (FSTB)
- Lift restrictions such as the total investment limit on eligible index-tracking ETFs by Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) funds, facilitating MPF funds to leverage quality local ETFs. (FSTB)
- HKEX will expand its Integrated Fund Platform in 2026 to include payment and settlement functions, etc., enhancing efficiency and lowering transaction costs of the fund sales market. (FSTB)

International risk management centre

- Continue to promote insurance-linked securities (ILS), endeavour to narrow the protection gap for catastrophe risk, and review the investor restrictions invigorate the ILS fund trading market. (FSTB)
- Explore legislative amendments to introduce a protected cell company structure to lower the costs of establishing captive insurers and issuing ILS. (FSTB)
- The Government and the Insurance Authority (IA) will suitably increase the insurance sector's underwriting appetite to cover such areas as gold storage, commodity trading and green fuel bunkering. (FSTB)

- Implement enhancements to the risk-based capital regime starting from end-2026, including the reduction of risk parameters for general insurance business. (FSTB)

Develop a commodity trading ecosystem

- Officially launch Hong Kong's central clearing and settlement system for gold in the first quarter of 2027. (FSTB)
- HKEX will announce details of the new RMB-denominated and physically settled gold futures contracts within 2026 to boost the global influence of the RMB in the pricing of precious metals. (FSTB)
- The Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority optimised its approval mechanism for gold ETFs in July 2026, increasing the flexibility of MPF funds investing in gold ETFs. (FSTB)
- The SFC will enhance the regulatory regime for over-the-counter derivatives, introducing internationally aligned regulatory arrangements for physically-deliverable commodities derivatives to facilitate risk and capital management in gold and commodity trading. (FSTB)
- The IA will strengthen its co-ordination with the industry in arranging insurance for precious metals, and has launched a dedicated specie insurance hotline to support policyholders in connecting with insurers. (FSTB)
- The HKMA is exploring the possibility of increasing the Exchange Fund's gold holdings and participating in Hong Kong's spot and futures markets, alongside a gradual transfer of its physical gold holdings to designated vaults appointed by the Hong Kong Precious Metals Central Clearing Company Limited. (FSTB)
- Set up a dedicated Gold Hotline to provide one-stop support for Mainland and overseas gold traders to take part in Hong Kong's gold trading ecosystem, proactively addressing pain points. (FSTB)
- Encourage the sector to establish an industry association for gold and host a flagship event in 2027. (FSTB)
- Collaborate with the Financial Services Development Council to launch gold training-related courses featuring full-chain development and ancillary facility operations. (FSTB)

- Implement a half-rate tax concession for physical commodity trading to attract more commodity traders to set up or expand their businesses in Hong Kong. (TLB)
- Explore a proposal to provide tax concessions for qualifying activities within the gold and commodity trading ecosystem for consultation with the Legislative Council (LegCo) in 2027. (FSTB)
- Facilitate the establishment of more London Metal Exchange (LME)-approved warehouses in the Northern Metropolis (NM) by warehouse operators to promote clustering of physical delivery, financing and risk management services. (FSTB, DEVB)
- The HKEX plans to launch the LME Steel Hot Rolled Coil Shanghai contract on the LME in October 2026, expanding international application scenarios of onshore prices and enhancing the international influence of China's futures. (FSTB)
- The HKEX is striving to launch a pilot project for tokenised warehouse receipt financing in collaboration with designated banks within 2027, leveraging physical tracking technologies to promote the use of commodity inventories as collateral by enterprises to secure liquidity. (FSTB)
- The HKEX is establishing a blockchain-technology-backed multi-asset tokenisation platform with carbon credits listed on Core Climate already incorporated, and will further include commodity warehouse receipts from LME-approved warehouses for pilot in 2027, facilitating flexible allocation of collaterals and cross-collateralisation in the market. (FSTB)
- The Customs and Excise Department (C&ED) will explore how to facilitate customs clearance for commodities. (CEDB)
- Encourage the International Organization for Mediation to explore the establishment of a special panel of mediators for commodity trading, lowering the risk of cross-border transactions and attracting more international traders and financial institutions to base in Hong Kong for trading and settlement. (FSTB, DoJ)

- Establish a Joint Working Group on Commodity Trading to be led by the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury to, in collaboration with the relevant financial regulators, holistically identify market opportunities and prospects for cross-exchange collaboration. (FSTB)

Development of green and sustainable finance

- Achieve full adoption of the International Financial Reporting Standards-Sustainability Disclosure Standards (ISSB) by large publicly accountable entities by 2028 to enhance the quality of market disclosure. (FSTB)
- The HKEX will introduce a "Green Equity Designation Scheme" to raise the market profile of eligible green securities issuers. The HKMA will explore new application scenarios for the Hong Kong Taxonomy for Sustainable Finance. (FSTB)
- The HKEX's Core Climate and the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency will explore Hong Kong's participation in cross-boundary carbon trading, supporting the country in building a carbon market of greater international influence. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will continue organising the Hong Kong Green Week to promote Hong Kong's leading position as a sustainable finance hub. (FSTB)

Foster fintech innovation

- Along the direction set out in the Policy Statement 2.0 on the Development of Digital Assets in Hong Kong, the Government and the SFC will enhance the virtual asset licensing regimes, formulate detailed regulatory guidance, and introduce an amendment bill into the LegCo within 2026 on the establishment of licensing regimes for virtual asset trading, custodian, advisory, and management services, so as to map a clear compliance pathway for virtual asset service providers. (FSTB)
- The SFC will enhance the regulatory framework for tokenised investment products to facilitate the issuance and trading of tokenised products of gold and other suitable real-world assets on licensed platforms, as well as the launch of innovative products. (FSTB)

- The SFC will promote the trading of regulated stablecoins on licensed virtual asset trading platforms and their use in the settlement of tokenised money market funds, enhancing Hong Kong's competitiveness as an international digital asset hub. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will conduct ongoing supervision on the business operations of licensed stablecoin issuers, and encourage licensees to actively expand the use cases of regulated stablecoins in cross-border payments, local payments, tokenised asset trading, etc. The HKMA will also explore the joint development of stablecoins with other digital financial innovations while strengthening public education, further promoting the development of Hong Kong's digital finance ecosystem. (FSTB)
- The SFC will establish a Digital Asset Accelerator in 2026-27 as an institutionalised platform for communication with industry innovators, and enhance regulatory clarity for market participants through the appointment of an agent organisation. The platform will help regulators and industry practitioners allocate resources more efficiently, and explore new market-maker models, financing mechanisms and leveraged products, driving the sustainable development of the digital asset market. (FSTB)
- The HKMA is planning to implement CBDC settlement and 24/7 operations under Ensemble^{TX} around end-2026, and will explore more use cases for tokenised deposits. (FSTB)

Co-ordinate the management of new financial risks

- Explore enhancing the legal framework to bolster detection and removal of fraudulent content (including content generated through the misuse of artificial intelligence (AI)) by different sectors such as technology and telecommunications, with a view to launching a public consultation on the proposed legal framework by end-2026. (FSTB)
- The HKMA is looking into making use of AI technology to analyse payment data, enhancing the capabilities of banks in detecting suspicious transactions. (FSTB)

- The HKMA is driving banks' and stored value facilities' adoption of "iAM Smart" Step-up Authentication. The first phase of testing related to remote account opening has commenced. (FSTB)
- The HKMA has launched the Quantum Preparedness Index to guide the industry on early implementation, and will work with research institutes to facilitate adoption progressively. (FSTB)
- The SFC will commence the operation of the digital asset custody surveillance system within 2026, and will activate the big data market surveillance and anti-money laundering surveillance components of the CrypTech initiative in 2027. (FSTB)
- Consult the public on the legislative proposal for enhancing beneficial ownership transparency of companies and express trusts in 2026, with a view to implementing the latest international standards for anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing. (FSTB)

International Maritime Centre

Develop a green fuel bunkering and trading centre

- Announce within 2026 the first "Green Energy Corridors" in collaboration with a Mainland city, with a view to developing a network of Hong Kong-centric "Green Energy Corridors" in the future, whereby Mainland cities will supply green maritime fuels for bunkering or trading in Hong Kong. (TLB)
- Commence the planning application and other statutory procedures regarding the green maritime fuel storage facilities in Tsing Yi South in 2027, with tenders to be invited in early 2028, and facilitate the development of new storage facilities and retrofitting of existing oil storage tanks. (TLB)
- Support the industry in conducting preliminary studies on establishing a green maritime fuel trading platform and strengthening related promotional efforts. (TLB)

- Collaborate with local universities to establish a mechanism for calculating full-chain carbon emissions, which will serve as a clear and transparent carbon emission calculation framework for the bunkering and trading of green maritime fuels, helping shipping companies to meet international emission reduction requirements, and in turn attracting more companies at home and abroad to bunker and trade green maritime fuels in Hong Kong. The goal is to announce the preliminary results within 2027. (TLB)
- Announce within 2026 the results of the feasibility study on providing bunkering services of next generation green maritime fuels such as green ammonia and hydrogen in Hong Kong, to shed light on a concrete policy direction for the next stage of development of green maritime fuel bunkering. (TLB)

Promote the development of a green and smart port and green corridor

- An amendment bill was introduced into the LegCo in June 2026 to enhance the tax concession regimes for maritime services and introduce a half-rate tax concession for physical commodity trading, further promoting the development of Hong Kong's high value-added maritime services industry. (TLB)
- Introduce an amendment bill within 2026 to revamp Hong Kong's ship registration system, including the introduction of a dual registration arrangement (i.e. the arrangement to suspend an original owner registration and undertake a demise charter registration at another ship registry) to increase flexibility to cater for the diverse commercial operating models of the international maritime sector. (TLB)
- Work jointly with the Hong Kong Maritime and Port Development Board and the industry to explore viable proposals for synergy of financial and maritime services, focusing on two major international trends of green development and smart development, with particular emphasis on marine insurance and ship finance, promoting the high-quality co-development of Hong Kong's financial and maritime centres, and enhancing its international influence. (TLB)
- The IA will drive the expansion of the underwriting capacity of the industry's marine specialty risk pool to better manage risks. (FSTB)

- With the support of the China Shipowners Mutual Assurance Association and the assistance of the Government and the IA, the Hong Kong Shipowners Mutual Assurance Association will conduct international business in Hong Kong. (FSTB)

Promote the development of a green and smart port and green corridor

- Collaborate with port operators to formulate a roadmap for the smart transition and green transformation of the Kwai Tsing Container Terminals in the first half of 2027. This includes introducing more autonomous electric vehicles and expanding the application of remotely-controlled cranes. (TLB)
- Support port operators in developing onshore power supply facilities and explore port dues incentives to attract international liners to use such service. (TLB)
- Announce the first green shipping corridor with a trading green port within 2026, and propel maritime routes towards net-zero carbon emissions through the use of green fuels and improvements to bunkering facilities. (TLB)

Develop the Port Community System

- Further leverage the strategic value of the Port Community System in consolidating logistics data to facilitate trade financing for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). (TLB)
- Develop offshore trade cargo tracking with blockchain technology to expand system coverage. (TLB)
- Launch the Port Community System Enabler Recognition Scheme to commend enterprises that actively participate in and promote the application of the Port Community System. (TLB)
- Provide better support, with funding from the Future Innovative Logistics Acceleration Scheme, for SMEs to adopt innovative logistics solutions to interface with the Port Community System. (TLB)

Enhance the comprehensive “Rail-sea-land-river” Intermodal Transport System

- Strengthen the sea-rail intermodal network. On one hand, the “Chongqing-Shenzhen-Hong Kong scheduled freight train service” connecting Chongqing and Shenzhen Yantian, and the “Chengdu-Shenzhen-Hong Kong scheduled freight train service” connecting Chengdu and Yantian, in combination with the Shenzhen-Hong Kong Connect feeder service, transport cargoes from Chongqing and Chengdu to Hong Kong, with the time taken shortened from two to four weeks to around three days. On the other hand, an operator also launched the “Chongqing-Qinzhou-Hong Kong” sea-rail intermodal service, backed by the daily liner service, connects Hong Kong Port with the New International Land-Sea Trade Corridor. (TLB)
- Continue to explore the development of inter-provincial land freight transport and direct river-sea intermodal transport modes to further expand the cargo hinterland. (TLB)
- In view that the International Maritime Organization has promulgated the regulatory requirements on maritime autonomous surface ships (MASS), the Government will study the application scenarios, regulatory considerations and other supporting measures in relation to MASS in Hong Kong, so as to prepare Hong Kong for participation in the national development of a smart and green logistics model using “water-to-water transshipment” focusing on river-sea intermodality. (TLB)
- Explore ways to strengthen co-operation with ports in the Mainland, including the port cluster in the north, so as to attract more cargo to be transhipped via Hong Kong. (TLB)
- Continue to explore extending the arrangements under the Air Transshipment Cargo Exemption Scheme to other intermodal transshipment modes, enhancing Hong Kong’s competitiveness as a transshipment hub. (TLB)

Expand the partner port network

- Announce the second batch of partner ports, and channel more maritime routes from Central and South America to call at the Hong Kong Port. (TLB)

- Expand collaboration with Mainland ports and promote the establishment of a “brother port” relationship with Shanghai within 2026. (TLB)

Maritime talent training

- Promote the establishment of a maritime academy in Hong Kong and support representative maritime institutions to establish a presence in Hong Kong, with the aim of training high-end maritime talents under an “institution-enterprise collaboration” model. (TLB)
- Work with the trade to formulate cross-disciplinary career progression pathways within the industry and explore offering new courses for maritime talents in order to attract young and new entrants to the industry. (TLB)
- Sign memoranda of understanding (MoUs) to deepen co-operation in talent development with international maritime organisations. (TLB)

Promote Modern Logistics Development

- Commence a feasibility study on the development of “business and trading zones for re-export” within 2026 to remove barriers and easing restrictions for the development of high value-added logistics services. (TLB)
- Make preparation for the update of the Roadmap for ESG Development for Logistics Industry within 2026 to promote green and sustainable logistics development. (TLB)
- Formulate the development mode for the modern logistics cluster in Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area having regard to the views of the industry, with the target of releasing the first batch of land parcels starting from end-2027 the earliest. (TLB)

International Aviation Hub

Actively take forward Airport City development

- The Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) will commence the operation of the Terminal 2 Concourse in end-2027, enhancing the airport’s overall capacity. (TLB)

- The AAHK is pressing ahead with various development projects for the Airport City. Among them, the advance works for the yacht bay will commence in 2027 while projects including an art ecosystem and the Jet Fresh Market will also be taken forward in an orderly manner. (TLB)

Expand the aviation network

- Continue to take the initiative to visit South America, Africa, Central Asia, the Middle East and the Caucasus, etc., with a view to expediting the conclusion of new air services agreements and the expansion of traffic rights, assisting the industry in exploring new passenger and cargo sources. (TLB)
- Deepen collaboration with the AAHK and the aviation industry, including continuing to encourage airlines to launch new routes and increase the frequency of existing ones, particularly long-haul flights and flights between Hong Kong and the Mainland, to further enhance Hong Kong International Airport's role as a dual gateway hub connecting the Mainland and the rest of the world. (TLB)

Develop a new aviation industry ecosystem

- Actively press ahead with the development of production of high-end parts, parts processing and storage, maintenance support, as well as the leasing and sale of aircraft and parts, while collaborating with international partners in aircraft dismantling and recycling businesses, supporting the large-scale development of home-grown aircraft, in a bid to develop a globally competitive aviation industry chain and enhance the training for pilots and aviation professionals. (CEDB, TLB)
- Continue to enhance the training of pilots and aviation professionals through the Maritime and Aviation Training Fund and the Hong Kong International Aviation Academy to meet the manpower requirements for the development of the aviation industry. (TLB)

Strengthen the leading edge in international air cargo

- The AAHK continues to implement the Freighter Network Development Programme, offering financial incentives to encourage cargo airlines to increase their freighter services at the Hong Kong International Airport. (TLB)

International Trade Centre

Deepen the work of the Task Force on Supporting Mainland Enterprises in Going Global (GoGlobal Task Force)

- Deepen the collaboration with local trade associations and those in the Mainland to provide more targeted support services to Mainland enterprises. (CEDB)
- Strengthen collaboration with professional organisations to train up relevant talents for the GoGlobal initiative and enhance professional services. (CEDB)
- Expand the Cross-sectoral Professional Services Platform by adding a new sector to provide environmental, social and governance (ESG) services, leveraging Hong Kong's international expertise to assist Mainland enterprises in meeting requirements of their target markets. (CEDB)
- Enhance the matching function of the Cross-sectoral Professional Services Platform to facilitate the interface between Mainland enterprises and Hong Kong professional services providers, and keep track of the effectiveness of individual cases. (CEDB)
- The IA will promote the development of specialty insurance business that aligns with the real economy to diversify and manage risks for enterprises to "go global". (FSTB)

Encourage more organisations and enterprises to set up operations in Hong Kong

- Mainland financial institutions with stronger capital strength and higher level of compliance and internal control standards are encouraged to set up international headquarters in Hong Kong, on the premise of compliance with laws and regulations in a risk-controlled manner and voluntary commercial participation. This will enable them to consolidate their businesses and management roles outside the Mainland; support major Chinese securities firms in executing plans to expand investment to their subsidiaries in Hong Kong in compliance with laws and regulations; and utilise Hong Kong as a booking centre for risk management and capital market operations. (FSTB)

- The HKMA actively encourages Mainland banks to leverage Hong Kong as a platform to provide tangible support for Mainland enterprises in their “go global” initiatives, and to develop practical, viable solutions on a commercially driven basis for using Hong Kong as a regional business hub. (FSTB)
- Continue working with the InvestHK, the HKEX and Economic and Trade Offices (ETOs) to promote the company re-domiciliation regime, encouraging more companies to transfer their domicile to Hong Kong and benefit from our distinctive business advantages. (FSTB)

Encourage enterprises to establish corporate treasury centres and sourcing centres in Hong Kong

- Completed the review of the tax concessionary measures applicable to Corporate Treasury Centres (CTCs), and the public consultation on the recommendations to provide pre-approved CTCs and their associated companies with additional tax benefits and flexibilities, with an amendment bill targeted to be introduced into the LegCo in the first half of 2027. (FSTB)
- Depending on individual enterprises’ investment plan and actual contribution to Hong Kong’s economy, tax concession at 5% or half-rate may be offered under the preferential policy packages on attracting enterprises and investments, attracting high value-added enterprises to set up headquarters or regional headquarters in Hong Kong for managing supply chain and sourcing businesses. (CEDB, FSTB)

Strengthen innovation and technology (I&T) enterprises

- Continue to support, through the \$400 million Green Tech Fund, Hong Kong research institutions and companies to conduct research and development (R&D) in Hong Kong and the Mainland to develop low-carbon technologies with commercialisation potential, thereby helping more green technologies and products go global. (EEB)

Empower the transformation and upgrading of traditional industries through supply chain services

- Signed a co-operation agreement with the relevant Mainland organisation to establish a collaborative mechanism for construction standardisation. Through the Building Technology Research Institute, jointly formulate the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) construction standards with the relevant authorities in Guangdong Province to assist local and Mainland construction companies to venture into the global market by making good use of Hong Kong’s testing and certification, etc. (DEVB)
- Establish the Task Force on High Quality Development of Textile and Fashion Industry to be led by the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, to enhance collaboration between government and industry representatives to pursue the textile and fashion industry’s high-quality development on areas including innovation and technology, fashion design, supply chain management, sustainable development and brand promotion and talent nurturing, etc., assisting the industry to connect with Mainland and overseas markets. (CEDB, CSTB, ITIB, LWB)

Pursue the comprehensive upgrade of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA)

- Sign an MoU with the Ministry of Commerce and continue to jointly pursue the comprehensive upgrade of CEPA, deepening co-operation with the Mainland services sectors as well as further expanding the Mainland’s market access and the scope of liberalised areas. (CEDB)

Promote the development of cross-boundary e-commerce

- The C&ED is closely negotiating with a logistics provider on its recruitment as an additional pilot participant of the Cross-boundary Express Cargo Clearance Facilitation Arrangement, and plans to sign an MoU with the provider in the fourth quarter of 2026 for the purpose. The C&ED will continue to proactively expand its collaboration with the trade to provide fast and reliable customs clearance for e-commerce goods. (CEDB)

- On compliance promotion, the C&ED signed MoUs with three major cross-boundary e-commerce platforms in 2026 to establish closer communication and collaboration mechanisms for enhancing compliance and customs clearance efficiency with respect to their shipment of goods to Hong Kong. The C&ED will step up co-operation with more e-commerce platforms to mitigate non-compliance risks in respect of goods imported to Hong Kong, protecting the rights and interests of local consumers. (CEDB)

Expand international economic and trade networks

- Continue to deepen our ties with the European, American, ASEAN and Middle East markets etc., while actively exploring emerging markets such as Central Asia and Africa, and focusing on economies of high potential and strategic importance, forging closer economic and trade co-operation. (CEDB)
- The four ASEAN-based ETOs will deepen Hong Kong's trade and investment promotion in ASEAN and neighbouring Asian countries. (CEDB)
- Explore the establishment of an ETO in Kazakhstan, and leverage the existing networks of ETOs, the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) and the Invest Hong Kong to step up trade and investment promotion work in priority Central Asian countries. (CEDB)
- Work towards signing investment agreements with Qatar and Peru as early as possible. (CEDB)
- Negotiate new investment agreements with Saudi Arabia and Egypt. (CEDB)
- Actively engage in negotiations with Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan on the signing of new investment agreements. (CEDB)
- Continue to strive for the early accession to the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) to expand our economic and trade networks. (CEDB)

Promote the development of digital trade

- Provide a single consolidated platform for submission of import and export declarations and cargo information in respect of different transport modes within a single platform after Phase 3 services of the Trade Single Window come into full operation in 2027, so as to help the trade improve efficiency and save operating costs. (CEDB)
- Expand the "Single Submission for Dual Declaration" Scheme with the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China to cover more trade documents and transport modes, and advance connectivity with the ASEAN's Single Window. (CEDB)
- Connect the Trade Single Window with the HKMA's Commercial Data Interchange in mid-2027 to facilitate banks to make reference to trade data for processing financing applications, helping enterprises reduce financing costs. (CEDB, FSTB)
- Introduce within 2026 an amendment bill on facilitating the digitalisation of business-to-business trade documents, with a view to reducing businesses' administrative costs and improving traceability of trading activities. (CEDB)
- The HKMA is collaborating with the Shanghai Data Bureau and other relevant parties to explore trade finance use cases under Project Ensemble, with a view to completing pilot transactions around the end of 2026. (FSTB)

Promote the development of convention and exhibition industry

- Take forward the Wan Chai North Redevelopment project as planned for the expansion of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) and related facilities (while all users in the sites of the three government towers in Wan Chai North and the Kong Wan Fire Station involved will move out within 2028), and set up a task force led by the Deputy Financial Secretary to steer the project. (DFS, CEDB)
- The HKTDC will submit to the Government a proposal on the development approach of the HKCEC expansion project in early 2027. (DFS, CEDB)

- Earmarked \$100 million to attract high-quality, large-scale international exhibitions with new elements to Hong Kong. The first such international flagship exhibition brought to Hong Kong will be held in November 2026, centred around super yachts as well as premium lifestyle elements, and featuring leading international brands. (CEDB)

Enhance the protection of consumers' rights and interests

- With regard to the views received during the public consultation relating to the Trade Descriptions Ordinance, continue to refine the proposed legislative amendments, including the introduction of a statutory cooling-off period and a statutory limit on contract duration and other restrictions for specific pre-paid consumer contracts, with a view to taking forward the matter expeditiously. (CEDB)

AI Application and Risk Management

AI application in finance

- The HKMA's Generative AI (GenAI) Sandbox has been upgraded to the cross-sector GenAI Sandbox++, with use cases and participating sectors expanded beyond banking to securities, wealth management, insurance and MPF etc. Testing of selected use cases in the new cohort will commence within 2026. (FSTB)
- The HKMA is conducting assessments and responding to risks through the Joint Task Force on AI-Driven Cyber Risks. To continuously strengthen risk management, it is also developing a Cyber Resilience Testing Framework for banks, and regularising the first cross-sectoral Cyber Mapping exercise to visualise the business and technological connections between financial institutions and major third-party service providers. (FSTB)
- Ten major insurers have participated in the AI Cohort Programme of the IA and have committed to establishing their respective AI Centre of Excellence in Hong Kong, nurturing talent and sharing experience. (FSTB)
- The SFC will foster a deeper understanding within the sector through training and development of regulatory technologies in collaboration with I&T enterprises. (FSTB)

- The HKMA will explore the development of shared, scalable AI computing infrastructure to help the banking industry address the pain points in using AI. (FSTB)

AI application in healthcare

- The Health Bureau (HHB) will co-ordinate the orderly introduction and effective use of AI technologies in the healthcare sector in collaboration with the Department of Health, the Hospital Authority (HA), the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, the Institute for Medical Advancement and Clinical Excellence, etc. (HHB)

AI application in the legal sector

- Launch a short-term funding scheme to promote a wider application of LawTech (including the use of AI technologies) in the legal sector to enhance competitiveness. (DoJ)

AI application in construction

- The Hong Kong Housing Authority will enhance the self-developed AI+ "HA-PIMAP" Project Information Management and Analytics Platform to adopt AI for analysis of site topography, terrain, views, wind, sunlight, etc. for automatic adjustment of building layouts to leverage the site potential and environmental advantages of each future public housing project. Starting from 2027-28, AI+ "HA-PIMAP" will be applied to the planning of all new projects. (HB)

AI application in transport

- The Autonomous Vehicle Applications Promotion Working Group, led by the Commissioner for Transport, provides steer on the licensing arrangements for the commercial operation of autonomous vehicles (AVs). The Transport Department will start to accept applications from AV operators for the commercial operation of individual projects within 2026. (TLB)
- Put forward the Airportcity Link autonomous transport system as the first commercially operated project in Hong Kong. (TLB)
- The AV connection between the Express Rail Link at West Kowloon Station and the Airport Express at Kowloon Station is expected to commence operation in the second quarter of 2027. (TLB)

- Take forward the autonomous driving trials on cross-boundary passenger transfer vehicles at the SkyPier Terminal of the Hong Kong International Airport along the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, creating a pioneering cross-boundary application scenario for AVs that takes place on an expressway. (TLB)
- Continue to encourage Mainland automakers to seize opportunities for overseas expansion, especially in right-hand drive markets, by leveraging Hong Kong as a hub for right-hand drive intelligent assisted driving technology. (TLB)

AI application in social welfare

- Allocate \$300 million to set up the “AI for Welfare Lab” (WelfareHK.ai) to identify AI application scenarios in social welfare services as well as fund the development and pilot implementation of AI solutions, including analysing the usage of welfare facilities, in order to meet users’ needs in a more targeted manner. (LWB)

AI application in tourism

- Starting from end-2026, the Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTb) will introduce an AI personalised travel recommendation function on Discover Hong Kong and set up a dedicated HKTb smart travel page in its map application by integrating with third-party data platforms. (CSTB)

AI application in broadcasting

- The Radio Television Hong Kong will strengthen the use of AI technologies and new media platforms to enhance production quality and efficiency, and expand audience reach. (CEDB)

AI upgrading for SMEs

- Enhance the Digital Transformation Support Pilot Programme by providing subsidies, on a matching basis, to support more SMEs in applying AI and cybersecurity-related solutions. (ITIB)
- The Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund) provides more targeted funding support for enterprises in implementing projects involving AI elements. (CEDB)

- The Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC) will expand the “Digital DIY Portal” to integrate AI-assisted advisory services for SMEs, and assist enterprises in assessing and addressing cybersecurity risks, as well as adopting AI. (ITIB)
- The HKPC will enhance the awareness of AI and its application within the community, particularly among SMEs, through training and exhibitions under the “AI with HKPC” programme. (ITIB)

Promote AI training for All

- Roll out over 200 training courses and activities under the “AI for All” Inclusive Programme by the first quarter of 2028 to promote AI awareness and responsible use in a tiered manner, helping members of the public, university students, young researchers and professionals to harness AI for professional empowerment, and supporting working professionals and SMEs in applying AI for practical operation enhancement. (ITIB)
- Roll out the “Robots in the Community” Pilot Programme to enhance public awareness of embodied AI and promote digital inclusion. (ITIB)
- The Upskill Hong Kong, upon its upgrade, will launch an 18-month AI upskilling campaign in the first half of 2027, including a free online training course for all with the focus on workplace application of AI. Participants who complete the course may enrol for free in short-term advanced courses on AI application across various industries. The initiative is expected to benefit at least 40 000 employees. (LWB)

Risk governance

- The Chief Secretary for Administration will co-ordinate the AI risk governance strategy of the Government, and the post of Commissioner for AI will be created in the Digital Policy Office (DPO) to assist various policy bureaux in advancing related work. (CSO, ITIB)

- The Cybercrime Sub-committee of the Law Reform Commission (LRC) is reviewing the existing laws from the angle of cyber-enabled crimes, i.e. traditional crimes which can be increased in scale or reach by the use of computers, computer networks or other forms of information and communications technology, and will seek public views in due course on, among other things, ways to tackle the production of pornographic images, as well as online scams and fraud that involve the use of deepfake technology. The Government will, in accordance with the recommendations of the LRC, consider formulating relevant legislation. (DoJ)
- Conduct a public consultation within 2026 on enhancing the legal framework to encourage sectors such as technology and telecommunications to enhance their ability to detect and remove fraudulent content (including content generated through the misuse of AI). (FSTB)
- In line with the Values Education Curriculum Framework (2026), organise diversified activities, including introducing a new sub-theme, “Use Technology for Good, Be Prudent and Self-discipline”, in the “My Pledge to Act” Programme, to support schools in guiding students to make good and prudent use of AI tools and resources with proper values and attitudes, promoting media and digital literacy education. (EDB)
- Establish a dedicated task force on minors’ use of social media under the Inter-Departmental Working Group to Review Legislation to Support Wider Application of AI spearheaded by the Department of Justice, to co-ordinate relevant bureaux/departments in reviewing the risks associated with the use of social media by minors (including interactions with AI) and assessing the need for more targeted solutions, including legislative and administrative measures. (DoJ)
- Select pilot departments to require bidders to comply with AI guidelines issued by the DPO and to submit safety and ethics compliance declarations for the AI technology used in procuring public-facing AI service projects. Subject to the pilot results, this requirement will be gradually extended to all bureaux and departments, ensuring that every AI service project implemented by the Government meets safety and ethical standards. (ITIB, FSTB)
- The DPO will proactively reach out to industry bodies to drive the industry-led development of sector-specific AI application guidelines, accreditation and governance frameworks, and to provide professional advice and support. (ITIB)
- The Inter-Departmental Working Group to Review Legislation to Support Wider Application of AI will review whether existing law is adequate in addressing liability issues arising from accidents or damage caused by AI products, and study ways to address these issues through legislative or regulatory measures (including soft law such as codes of practice, codes of conduct and guidelines). (DoJ)
- The DPO is piloting the use of AI Agents in the Government and has incorporated provisions into an AI adoption guide for departments. Based on the practical experience gained, the Government will promulgate AI Agent safety management guidelines applicable to the society at large in collaboration with the Hong Kong AI Research and Development Institute in 2027. (ITIB)
- Analyse the impact of AI adoption on Hong Kong’s labour market, and formulate corresponding measures, including upskilling, manpower training and reskilling support. (LWB)

Optimise I&T’s Systematic Development

Press ahead with the development of Three Major Innovation and Technology Parks and Five Key Research and Development Institutions

- The Hong Kong Park of the Hetao Shenzhen–Hong Kong Science and Technology Innovation Co-operation Zone (Loop Hong Kong Park) will continue to enhance the speed and efficiency of its development under the vision of “one river, two banks” and “one zone, two parks”, committed to evolving into a world-class I&T hub and serving as a testing ground for institutional and policy innovation. (ITIB)

- The San Tin Technopole, together with the Loop Hong Kong Park, will foster the co-ordinated development at upstream, midstream and downstream levels while accelerating the commercialisation of R&D results, while also providing downstream industrial space for prototyping, pilot and mass production. (ITIB)
- The Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTPC) will continue to provide infrastructure facilities, incubation programmes and one-stop support services for I&T enterprises. (ITIB)
- Cyberport will continue to focus on the fields of AI, data science, blockchain, cybersecurity and fintech, supporting enterprises in raising capital for going global and nurturing talent. (ITIB)
- Under the key layout of “Five Key R&D Institutes”, three high-quality R&D institutes have been established in addition to the HKPC and the Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute, including the Hong Kong Microelectronics Research and Development Institute established in 2024; the Hong Kong Artificial Intelligence Research and Development Institute, expected to commence operation within 2026; and the Life and Health Technology Research Institute, whose preparatory work for establishment will be largely completed within 2026. (ITIB)

Accelerate the development of Hong Kong’s new industrialisation system

- The New Industrialisation Elite Enterprises Nurturing Scheme has been launched to provide targeted support to a batch of high-growth enterprises developing in Hong Kong. The results of the Scheme will be announced within 2026. (ITIB)
- Release a medium-to-long-term development plan for new industrialisation in Hong Kong within 2026 to set out a new industrialisation development pathway centred on “high technology, high value-added” activities, accelerating the growth of emerging industries and producer services of strategic value, laying the foundation for future industries. (ITIB)

Strengthen support for start-ups

- The Innovation and Technology Industry-Oriented Fund is expected to be officially launched within 2026; around 20 fund management have been preliminarily shortlisted to raise capital for setting up sub-funds. (ITIB)
- Earmark an additional \$1 billion for the Innovation and Technology Venture Fund enhanced scheme to select more fund managers to participate in the scheme. (ITIB)
- Funding schemes under the Innovation and Technology Fund for promoting new industrialisation (i.e. the New Industrialisation Funding Scheme, the New Industrialisation and Technology Training Programme, and the Pilot Manufacturing and Production Line Upgrade Support Scheme) have been consolidated into the New Industrialisation Support Scheme to promote the realisation of R&D outcomes and new industrialisation in a more focused manner. Ongoing review will be conducted for consolidating other funding and investment schemes. (ITIB)
- The Hong Kong Investment Corporation Limited (HKIC) will continue to mobilise international long-term capital to co-invest in its projects. (FSO)

Support the transformation of universities’ R&D outcomes

- Support the transformation and commercialisation of R&D outcomes through the Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities and the \$10 billion Research, Academic and Industry Sectors One-plus Scheme. (ITIB)

Explore the establishment of the Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Application Scenario Promotion Centre

- Support the HKSTPC in exploring the establishment of the Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Application Scenario Promotion Centre. It will become a premier launchpad for innovative technologies, applying precise matching between the application scenario needs of both the public and private sectors and the innovative technological solutions provided by I&T enterprises across the three major I&T parks and five key R&D institutions. It will help companies align with industry standards and obtain market accreditation and assist I&T enterprises in going global. (ITIB)

Accelerate Innovation and Technology Industry Development

Medical innovation and biomedical industry chain development

- Conduct preparatory work for becoming a regulatory member of the International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use. (HHB)
- Set up the Centre for Medical Products Regulation (CMPR) and submit a legislative proposal on regulating medical devices within 2026, establishing CMPR as an internationally recognised regulatory authority for medical products in the long run. (HHB)
- Taking advantage of the synergies of the “one zone, two parks” and “one institute, one centre” models in the Hetao area through the “Greater Bay Area Clinical Trial Collaboration Platform” to promote exemplary multi-centre clinical trials while enhancing clinical trial infrastructure. In conjunction with the reform of the drug evaluation and approval mechanism, the initiative will provide one-stop support for innovative pharmaceutical and medical device enterprises. (HHB)
- Actively promote the use of real-world data in the industry through the Real-World Study and Application Centre under the GBA International Clinical Trial Institute to help expedite the registration of innovative drugs and medical devices in Hong Kong, Mainland and overseas markets. (HHB)
- Establish the International Clinical Trial Academy in 2027 to build a GBA Clinical Research Talent Pool. (HHB)
- Allocate a total of \$900 million in the coming three years to continue funding innovative medical research with translational potential through the Health and Medical Research Fund, with priorities on prevention and treatment of cancers, clinical trials, digital health, etc. (HHB)
- Host the annual meeting of the Global Harmonization Working Party in December 2026, bringing experts from around the world to Hong Kong for high-level professional discussions on global medical device regulation. (HHB)
- The HA will set up the HA Technology Convergence Hub (HA-TCH) based on a demand-driven principle. Through interactions between real-world scenarios and clinical application, it will accelerate the adoption of innovative medical technologies. Through collaboration with stakeholders, it will set up a healthcare technology demonstration base in HA facilities and bring in innovative drugs and medical equipment. At the same time, it will institute a demand-side feedback loop to relay clinical practical needs to the pharmaceutical and medical device industries in a timely manner. (HHB)
- Explore the establishment of a digital platform for drug information to facilitate access to the latest information of approved drugs by healthcare professionals and the public. (HHB)

Promote the development of a low-altitude economy ecosystem

- Take further steps to implement pilot projects under the low-altitude economy “Regulatory Sandbox 1” and broaden application scenarios. (DFS, TLB, relevant bureaux)

- Formulate a comprehensive regulatory framework for unconventional aircraft (such as manned aircraft weighing over 150 kilograms), with the drafting of the legislation expected to be completed in 2027. The IA and the industry will fully support the proposed regulatory framework for unconventional aircrafts to be established by the Government. (FSTB, TLB)
- Formulate the Action Plan on Developing Low-Altitude Economy, which includes collaborating closely with the Mainland to launch cross-boundary low-altitude logistics trial flights as early as possible, and progressively expanding the low-altitude cross-boundary logistics network across the GBA; taking forward the technical study on low-altitude infrastructure facilities, and commencing the development of the Smart Low-altitude Traffic Management System, with a target for progressive implementation from 2028, so as to enhance low-altitude airspace management with the support of relevant monitoring, law enforcement, meteorological observation, three-dimensional spatial data systems, etc. (DFSO, TLB, relevant bureaux)
- The Office of the Communications Authority will actively assist satellite operators in international co-ordination in the use of satellite orbits and spectrum while providing them with licence application support. (CEDB)
- Promote the development of the future 6G application scenarios, including low-altitude economy and Low Earth Orbit satellites; adopt a multi-pronged approach to encourage mobile network operators to expedite the advancement of telecommunications technologies and spectrum refarming, expand mobile network infrastructure to tie in with future development needs, and facilitate the alignment of 6G technology and spectrum planning with the Mainland. (CEDB)
- The HKEX will consider enhancements to Chapter 18C of the Listing Rules to attract enterprises in emerging industries such as the aerospace industry to raise capital in Hong Kong, consolidating our position as a financing hub for new economy enterprises. (FSTB)
- The HKIC will leverage patient capital to engage in early strategic investment to pave way for future industry development, including assisting Mainland commercial aerospace enterprises in going global through investment and ecosystem development. (FSO)

Formulate the development plan of frontier technology

- Set up a new Task Group on Frontier Technology to plan for the development of frontier technologies, covering AI, new energy, new materials, aerospace technology, quantum technology, etc., in a bid to explore technology and industry development, and report its findings to the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Industry Development, assisting in policy formulation and industry planning. (ITIB)

Support deep space exploration and promote commercial aerospace development

- Launch a new round of Special Call on Aerospace Technology, with an emphasis on supporting technology research related to national space missions, covering satellite technologies, space exploration instruments, aerospace materials, remote sensing, etc. (ITIB)
- Announce the arrangements for streamlining the vetting of Low Earth Orbit satellites of licence applications within 2026 to attract enterprises and talent to Hong Kong. (CEDB)

- The IA and the industry will study systemic risks arising from commercial aerospace development and the functional positioning of Hong Kong's market, so as to make proposals on the development of related insurance products based on the study results. (FSTB)
- Step up innovative popular science education and talent development in aerospace, including increasing the quotas for the Young Astronaut Training Camp organised by the Hong Kong Space Museum in 2027, enabling 35 students to visit our country's key aerospace and astronomy facilities in person, and support local institutions in promoting aerospace-related programmes, thereby nurturing talent in the long run. (CSTB, EDB)

- The Government Flying Service will set up a dedicated team in the second quarter of 2027 to co-operate with relevant organisations in taking forward the “Youth Aerospace and Aviation DreamChaser Programme”, an education activity on aerospace and aviation technology, in order to enhance Hong Kong young people’s understanding of the development and achievements of national aerospace endeavours, and foster their interests in pursuing careers in aerospace and aviation. (SB)

Develop an International Hub for High-calibre Talent

Deepen the development of an international education hub and establish the “Study in Hong Kong” brand

- Drive the “Hong Kong: Your World-class Campus” international promotion and organise exhibitions in target areas (such as countries and regions along the Belt and Road) to promote the “Study in Hong Kong” brand. (EDB)
- The University Grants Committee-funded universities plan to organise more than 160 recruitment activities in the Mainland and overseas in the 2026/27 academic year to attract outstanding students globally. (EDB)
- Extend for two years the pilot arrangement of including graduates from the GBA campuses of Hong Kong universities under the Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates, allowing more outstanding talent to stay in or come to Hong Kong for employment. (EDB)
- Relax the enrolment ceiling for self-financing non-local students for taught programmes of funded post-secondary institutions by raising the local student places from 40% to 50%; and increase the over-enrolment ceiling for self-financed places of funded research postgraduate programmes from 100% to 120% starting from the 2026/27 academic year. (EDB)

Promote the quality and quantity development of student hostels

- Further to the invitation for expression of interest from the market for developing post-secondary student hostels at three commercial sites earlier, the first student hostel site will be put up for sale in the market within the 2026-27 financial year for building a new hostel. (DEVB, EDB)
- Support the Hong Kong Direct Subsidy Scheme Schools Council in formulating the Code of Practice for Operating Student Hostels in setting operator standards for accommodation, hygiene, safety and warden arrangements, providing suitable accommodation facilities for incoming students (especially minors), so as to provide proper accommodation for visiting students. (EDB)

Promote the development of schools under the Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) and international schools

- Continue to take forward the “DSS Expansion” while strengthening publicity and attracting overseas students in an effort to encourage more DSS schools to admit non-local students. (EDB)
- Allocate sites in the NM or other areas within 2027 for the development of international schools, so as to meet the society’s demand and support talent development. (EDB)

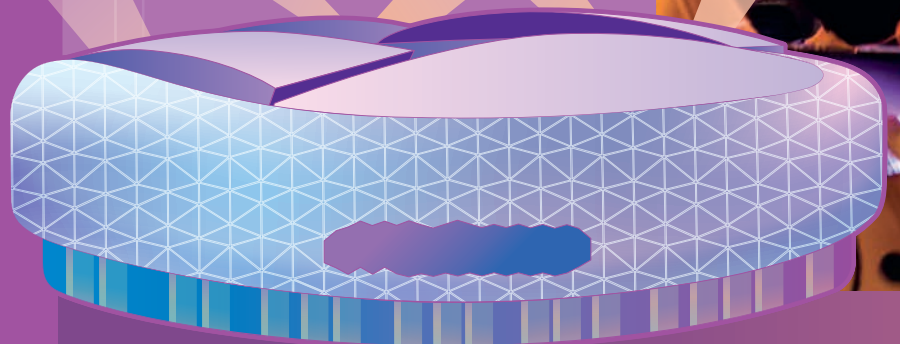
Talent admission policy

- Explore adding to the Talent List more talent categories relating to AI application, enriching the current list which covers 60 professions with local manpower shortage (including finance, healthcare, as well as innovation and technology professionals). (LWB)
- Enhance the Top Talent Pass Scheme (TTPS) in the first half of 2027 by relaxing the requirements on visa extension for talents engaged in technology start-ups. Proprietors of technology start-ups supported by designated public sector organisations will be exempted from requirements such as providing proof of company income when applying for visa extension to facilitate their development in Hong Kong. (LWB)

- Starting from 2027, suitably include top universities in Mainland provinces/municipalities that have established high-level co-operation platforms with Hong Kong in the list of universities under the TTPS, promoting closer co-operation with such provinces/municipalities and enhancing talent mobility. (LWB)
- Expand the Immigration Facilitation Scheme for Invited Persons by extending its coverage from the current Member States of the ASEAN to countries and regions in Central Asia and the Middle East, and allowing all bureaux and departments to issue invitations under the scheme, with a view to facilitating economic and trade interactions and exchanges. (SB)
- Introduce a new visa category to allow non-locals to come to Hong Kong to participate in short-term training programmes as authorised by bureaux and departments, facilitating Hong Kong's development into a regional training hub. (SB)
- Continue implementing the pilot Vocational Professionals Admission Scheme to allow non-local students enrolled in eligible full-time higher diploma programmes in the specified academic years to stay in Hong Kong for one year after graduation to seek relevant jobs. (LWB)
- Further expand the Immigration Facilitation Scheme for Visitors Participating in Short-term Activities in Designated Sectors to enable more non-local talents to participate in specified short-term activities as visitors without the need to apply for employment visas/entry permits. (SB)

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Leverage Hong Kong's International Advantages







Background

Hong Kong boasts its distinctive advantage of enjoying the strong support of the Motherland and being closely connected to the world. We should maintain our international characteristics to best position Hong Kong in serving the country and providing our city with the strongest foundation to pursue its own development.

As reflected in the last two Policy Addresses, we spared no effort in pressing ahead with the establishment of the International Organization for Mediation's headquarters, which opened in Hong Kong in October 2025, signifying an important step in Hong Kong's journey to becoming a global legal hub. Hong Kong gives full play to the unique advantages of its bilingual common law system, using both Chinese and English under "One Country, Two Systems" and contributing to the upholding of the impartial international rule of law and order, with its dispute-resolution rules and mechanisms aligned with international standards. By enhancing our diversified and high-end dispute resolution services covering litigation, arbitration and mediation, pooling top legal talent and strengthening the alignment of rules and mechanisms with the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, we will provide Mainland enterprises with the first-class international legal services they need when going global.

Strengthening the intellectual property (IP) protection regime is of vital importance in driving technological innovation and developing our cultural and creative industries. To ensure solid legal protection of outcomes from research and development, innovation, cultural and creative efforts, we will continue to promote the patents, trademarks, registered designs and copyright regimes, strengthen the in-house examination capacity under the original grant patent system, and make registration more efficient and convenient. We also promote IP valuation and financing, reduce IP trading costs and nurture talent in IP management and commercialisation. We will continue to consolidate the foundations for developing a regional IP trading centre.

Since the promulgation of the National 14th Five-Year Plan, our country has supported Hong Kong's development as an East-meets-West centre for international cultural exchange. With a unique background as a cultural melting point of East and West infrastructure, Hong Kong has long served as a bridge linking China and the international community. Hong Kong is among the world's top three arts-trading centres. We will further our efforts in advancing the establishment of a premium arts trading hub and reinforce our role as an international arts-trading platform. A strategic cultural investment, the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) is also one of the world's largest cultural hubs. We will continue to support the WKCD in boosting the development of the cultural industry.

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Leverage Hong Kong's International Advantages

Deepen the Development of an International Legal and Dispute Resolution Services Centre

Build a Global Capital of Mediation to support the work of the International Organization for Mediation

- Continue to render full support to the work of the International Organization for Mediation (IOMed) headquartered in Hong Kong, including the general assembly and annual forum of the Governing Council of Contracting States to be held in Hong Kong in end-2026, and give priority consideration to the inclusion of the IOMed as a dispute resolution option in government contracts involving international commercial matters and international agreements to which the HKSAR is a party. (DoJ)
- Welcome the IOMed in accepting disputes in emerging industries, including commodity trading and space economy. (DoJ)
- Spearhead initiatives to promote “mediate first” to resolve disputes, including continuing to implement the incorporation of mediation clauses in all government contracts. (DoJ)

Expand the mediation culture

- The Pilot Scheme on Community Mediation will continue to provide mediation skills training for property management personnel to help them resolve neighbourhood disputes, such as those arising from water seepage in buildings. (DoJ)
- Launch the “three-tier mechanism for resolving building management disputes” in 2027. (HYAB)
- Facilitate the orderly implementation of the Basic Housing Unit regime, introduce the “Pro-bono Mediation Service Scheme for the Basic Housing Unit Regime” by end-2026 to resolve disputes between stakeholders. (HB)

- The Consumer Council will launch a pilot scheme on mediation to help consumers and traders resolve consumption disputes. (CEDB)
- Accept the seven recommendations made by the Working Group on Mediation Regulatory System and introduce a bill into the Legislative Council by end-2026, allowing the parties involved to apply for appointment of mediators by the Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited in case of failure to reach a consensus on the choice of mediators. (DoJ)

Support the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law in establishing a presence in Hong Kong

- With 2026 marking the centenary of the establishment of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law, strive for the establishment of its inaugural overseas liaison office in Hong Kong, which will mark its first presence outside its seat in Rome since its founding, highlighting Hong Kong's strategic position. (DoJ)

International Commercial Court

- Support the Judiciary in advancing the development of the International Commercial Court and inviting judges from other common law jurisdictions to adjudicate international commercial cases through more efficient procedures, with a view to complementing Hong Kong's existing international arbitration and mediation services and further consolidating Hong Kong's status as a major jurisdiction for handling international commercial litigation. (DoJ)

Advance the construction of the Hong Kong International Legal Service Building

- Press ahead with preparatory work for the construction of the Hong Kong International Legal Service Building, with construction targeted to begin by end-2027. (DoJ)

Hong Kong International Legal Talents Training Academy

- The Hong Kong International Legal Talents Training Academy will organise a wider variety of programmes, explore conducting research on cross-jurisdictional topics covering common law and other legal systems, and organise high-end international seminars on a regular basis, with a view to developing into a legal capacity building centre for our country and the international community, particularly for Belt and Road countries, as well as a hub for the training, exchange and gathering of high-calibre legal talent. (DoJ)

Enhance Hong Kong's status as world's most preferred arbitration seat

- With reference to the recommendations of the Working Group on Arbitration Law Reform, strive to complete the legislative amendments for the Arbitration Ordinance within 2027 to continue to enhance Hong Kong's arbitration legal framework. (DoJ)
- Continue to implement the Pilot Scheme on Sports Dispute Resolution in collaboration with the legal and sports sectors, and explore co-operation with international and regional sports associations to develop Hong Kong into an international sports dispute-resolution centre. (DoJ)

Rule of Law Education (ROLE) Ambassadors

- Continue to encourage the ROLE Ambassadors to play their role in promoting rule of law education in the community by providing assistance and support for their participation in or organisation of practical activities for promoting the rule of law, and continue to optimise and fine-tune the scheme based on the implementation. (DoJ)

Develop a Regional Intellectual Property (IP) Trading Centre

Protection of IP rights

- Proactively plan to update the local registered designs regime in 2027, such as commencing the drafting work to amend the primary legislation. (CEDB)
- Continue to forge ahead with the preparatory work for implementing the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks in Hong Kong. (CEDB)

Promote IP valuation and financing

- Prepare to launch the next phase of the IP financing sandbox with broader participation and more practical applications, based on market response. (CEDB)

External promotion

- The Business of IP Asia Forum scheduled for November 2026, with IP financing as the theme, will bring together experts from different places to pursue development opportunities. The forum will once again feature a business matching session to facilitate connection between Hong Kong IP professional services providers and Mainland enterprises, thereby supporting Mainland enterprises in leveraging Hong Kong as a platform to pursue IP trading globally. (CEDB)
- Continue to facilitate nominations of Hong Kong enterprises to compete for the China Patent Award, as a way to enhance the credibility and value of their patents. (CEDB)

Develop and expand the patent examination team

- Develop and expand the patent examination team, strengthen in-house examination capacity for original grant patents in major technology fields, and roll out pilot facilitation measures for the relevant original grant patent applications in 2027. (CEDB)

Launch the Hong Kong Intellectual Property Academy

- Officially launch the Hong Kong Intellectual Property Academy in the fourth quarter of 2026 to provide more systematic on-the-job talent training programmes with a higher level of recognition, raising the IP literacy of practitioners in sectors such as technological innovation, cultural and creative industries, commerce and industry, and professional services. (CEDB)

Formulate a regulatory framework for local patent agents

- Launch a public consultation on the regulation of local patent agency services within 2026, and formulate specific legislative proposals in 2027. (CEDB)

Reduce IP trading costs

- Introduce a bill within 2026 to implement tax deduction arrangements for capital expenditure incurred in purchasing IP rights or for the licence to use IP rights, to support IP trading's development. (CEDB)

Deepen top-level planning

- Establish the "Strategy Committee on Intellectual Property Trading Development", bringing together representatives from innovation, technology and the creative industries, as well as from commerce and industry, IP professional services and other sectors to assist the Government in formulating strategies and support measures for the promotion of IP trading. (CEDB)

Develop an East-meets-West Centre for International Cultural Exchange

Boost the development of the cultural industry

- Scheduled to open in 2027, the WestK Performing Arts Centre will feature four more performance venues built to the highest international theatre standards. (CSTB)

- The West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCD) will continue to tour exhibitions around the world and in the Mainland to showcase exhibitions and collections of M+ and the Hong Kong Palace Museum, as well as staging tour performances of performing arts programmes. For example, M+ is organising the "Geoffrey Bawa: Architecture for the Senses" exhibition in Germany in September 2026, while the WKCD is planning tour performances of "The Impossible Trial — a musical" in the Mainland in 2027. (CSTB)
- The Hong Kong Palace Museum will present its precious collections on overseas tours, including Australia and Uzbekistan, in the coming two years to promote traditional Chinese culture. (CSTB)
- The WestK Academy will, in 2027, continue to roll out short courses for the professional development of practitioners of local, Mainland and international arts and cultural organisations and young talents in the arts and culture and creative industries. (CSTB)
- Organise arts technology spotlight project at the East Kowloon Cultural Centre in 2027-28 to reinforce the centre's position as a flagship performance venue for long-running performances and arts technology in Hong Kong. (CSTB)
- Actively make good use of the five-year collaboration arrangement with Art Basel and explore measures to continuously strengthen Hong Kong's status as an international art trading platform. (CSTB)

Advance the establishment of a premium arts trading hub

- Complete a study on arts-trading centre within 2026 to consolidate our advantages. (CSTB)
- The West Kowloon Cultural District is set to welcome its first Mainland arts auction house in 2026. (CSTB)
- The WestK Academy will organise an international fellowship programme for auctioneers with Mainland trade association, and offer courses on Chinese arts and heritage conservation. (CSTB)

Reform funding for arts groups

- Inject \$200 million into the Arts and Sport Development Fund (Arts Portion). (CSTB)
- Introduce a funding and in-and-out mechanism for major performing arts groups (MPAGs) tied to their performance and artistic merit while maintaining the current overall funding level, so as to encourage innovation among MPAGs, and provide opportunities for medium-sized arts groups with consistently outstanding performance to become MPAGs. (CSTB)
- Continue to run the Pilot Scheme on the Use of School Venues by Arts Groups. (CSTB)

Construct a second Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts' campus

- The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts to take forward the temporary campus extension in Chai Wan and its long-term plan to construct a second campus in the Northern Metropolis. (CSTB)

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Expedite the Development of the Northern Metropolis







Background

The Northern Metropolis (NM) will rise as a strategic development, a megaproject advancing quality post-secondary education, integrating innovation and technology (I&T) industries, and pooling international high-calibre talent. It will also become a centrepiece in Hong Kong's deepening engagement with the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, while integrating into and serving the overall national development. It also serves as a new engine to develop new quality productive forces.

The Government is working at full steam to advance NM development. Following the announcement of the establishment of the Committee on Development of the Northern Metropolis in last year's Policy Address, substantial progress has been made in a number of initiatives - the Hong Kong Park of the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Science and Technology Innovation Co-operation Zone was commissioned last year, over 100 I&T enterprises and institutions have been moving in gradually while the two wet laboratory buildings have been fully leased; the Hung Shui Kiu Industry Park Company Limited and the San Tin Technopole Company Limited have commenced operation to integrate a capable government with market forces; and the Northern Metropolis Development Bill was introduced into the Legislative Council in July this year, with a view to streamlining procedures to accelerate NM development and facilitating industry operation.

The NM will take the university town as the main focus of its development. We will develop three university towns, which are the San Tin, Hung Shui Kiu and Ta Kwu Ling University Towns in the NM based on the concept of town area comprising campus area, technology area, industry area, and living community area, and planned around "One Town, Five Elements" (education, technology, industry, talent and community development), so as to build high-quality university towns that are suitable for education, research, innovation and living. Adopting the strategic positioning that integrates the four pillars of "talent cultivation, scientific research, transformation of outcomes, industry development", we will drive the synergistic development among the Government, industries, academia, research and investment sectors, in a bid to achieve the integrated development of education, technology and talent. At the same time, we will continue to adopt "industry-driven and infrastructure-led" as the core development approach, while also providing well-planned living ancillary facilities to build an NM ideal for living, work and travel.

Expedite the Development of the Northern Metropolis

Northern Metropolis University Town

Drive the Northern Metropolis development with university towns and leading industry development through technology

- Develop the San Tin, Hung Shui Kiu, and Ta Kwu Ling University Towns in the Northern Metropolis (NM) based on the concept of town area comprising campus area, technology area, industry area and living community area, and planned around “One Town, Five Elements” (education, technology, industry, talent and community development), to drive the overall development of the Northern Metropolis University Town (NMUT). (CSO, EDB, DEVB)
- The campus areas of the three university towns in San Tin, Hung Shui Kiu and Ta Kwu Ling amount to about 300 hectares. Together with the surrounding technology areas, industry areas and living community areas, the overall planned area of the three university towns will exceed 1 000 hectares. (CSO, EDB, DEVB)
- San Tin University Town will focus on medicine, life and health technology, artificial intelligence (AI), robotics, microelectronics and emerging industries, with its campus area covering the land near the Northern Link’s future San Tin Station and Ngau Tam Mei Station. Its technology area and industry area will cover the Hong Kong Park of the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Science and Technology Innovation Co-operation Zone (the Loop Hong Kong Park) and the San Tin Technopole. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)
- Building 1 of the Loop Hong Kong Park, scheduled for completion by end-2026, will be positioned as the flagship project for launching of the NMUT, bringing together the frontier research capabilities of leading local, Mainland and international universities and institutions, including InnoHK Research Clusters and other new initiatives. It will promote interaction between universities, research and development (R&D), and industries. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)
- The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust will allocate \$3 billion to support the construction of another integrated teaching and scientific research building, which will focus on educational and scientific exchange as well as the cultivation of scientific research talent, and will make available its facilities for other institutions to use. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)
- Invite the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Innovation and Technology Park Limited (HSITPL) and the San Tin Technopole Company Limited to join the development of university towns and to participate in the related construction works, so as to accelerate such projects. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)
- The campus area of Hung Shui Kiu University Town and its adjoining technology and industry areas (including Hung Shui Kiu Industry Park, the Lau Fau Shan Digital Technology Hub, Yuen Long InnoPark and the Hong Kong Microelectronics Research and Development Institute (MRDI)) will be developed as a “Centre for Applied Post-secondary Education in Smart Manufacturing and Global Talent Cultivation”. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)
- Invite applications from post-secondary institutions for the construction of campuses within 2026 to kick-start Hung Shui Kiu University Town’s campus development. (CSO, EDB, DEVB)

- The Ta Kwu Ling University Town will integrate arts and blue green development elements, and support comprehensively the development of emerging and traditional industries as well as new industrialisation. Strategic space will also be reserved for future development needs, establishing a university town with a unique style that integrates the “One Town, Five Elements” along with an arts and leisure ecosystem. (CSO, EDB, DEVB, ITIB)

Innovation-driven industry-academia-research collaboration across institutions

- The Working Group on Planning and Construction of the University Town led by the Chief Secretary for Administration will be upgraded to become the Committee on Construction and Development of the University Town, and include non-official expert members. The Committee will provide high-level steer with respect to the long-term strategic development of the NMUT and promote inter-departmental collaboration, facilitating the development of an internationally competitive University Town. (CSO, EDB)
- The Committee on Construction and Development of the University Town will explore specific measures to facilitate and incentivise NMUT institutions to pursue the transformation of research outcomes, promoting the commercialisation and marketisation of research outcomes from the institutions. (CSO, ITIB, EDB)
- Gradually increase the number of the University Grants Committee-funded research postgraduate places by around 30% from the current level of 7 200 to 9 600 in the 2030/31 academic year, so as to support the development of basic research in Hong Kong. (EDB)
- Starting from the 2027/28 academic year, gradually increase the annual quota of the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme from 400 to 550 places by the 2029/30 academic year. (EDB)
- Starting from the 2027/28 academic year, an additional funding of \$20 million per academic year will be provided to support knowledge transfer, accelerating the transformation of innovative outcomes. (EDB)
- Starting from the 2029/30 academic year, \$40 million a year will be provided under the Fund for Innovative Technology-in-Education to promote the widespread use of AI and emerging technologies in the higher education sector. (EDB)

Promote Development of Innovation and Technology and Industries

The Loop Hong Kong Park

- The Loop Hong Kong Park was officially commissioned in December 2025. The two wet laboratory buildings have been fully leased. The remaining buildings in the first batch of Phase 1 development will be completed within 2026. (ITIB)
- For the sites in the remaining batches of Phase 1 development, the HSITPL has already launched two open tender exercises for the eight land parcels since June 2026, with a view to leveraging private market forces to accelerate and enhance the efficacy of the park’s development. Results will be announced by end-2026. (ITIB)
- The HSITPL has already completed planning for Phase 2 development of the Loop Hong Kong Park (including the development scale and distribution of industries) in 2025 by making reference to the planning and functions of Phase 1 development and finalised the overall layout of the park. Consideration is also being given to the early release of the land along the river for use in Phase 2 development with a view to expediting concurrent development with Phase 1. (ITIB)
- Advance the cross-river connection project on the western side of the Loop and related construction, and proactively facilitate the efficient, convenient and safe flow of researchers and data between the two parks of the Hetao Shenzhen-Hong Kong Science and Technology Innovation Co-operation Zone. (ITIB, DEVB, SB)

Establish the national manufacturing innovation centre

- The HKSAR Government and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology signed the Co-operation Agreement on Advancing the Joint Establishment of Manufacturing Innovation Centre by the Ministry and Hong Kong in July 2026, setting in motion Hong Kong's first national manufacturing innovation centre, which the MRDI will take the lead in operating. (ITIB)
- The MRDI has moved into the Microelectronics Centre in Yuen Long. Its two pilot lines, focusing on the R&D and trial production of third-generation semiconductors, are being set up in full speed with a target for commencing operation by end-2026. (ITIB)

San Tin Technopole

- The San Tin Technopole Company Limited will expedite land formation by leveraging market forces with institutional innovation and under a multi-pronged approach, in a bid to take forward the development of the 210-hectare innovation and technology (I&T) land. (ITIB)

Hung Shui Kiu Industry Park

- The Hung Shui Kiu Industry Park Company Limited (Park Company) is engaging with the Authority of Qianhai of the Shenzhen Municipality and will sign a memorandum of understanding to establish a mutually beneficial collaboration model, capitalising on their combined industry strengths. (DEVB)
- Review the progress of the Park Company in drawing up a development plan (including key performance indicators) to ensure that the Park Company will make effective use of the land asset and the Government's equity injection in accordance with the Government's industry policies, attracting enterprises and investments, and bringing in more industries to Hung Shui Kiu. (DEVB, FSTB, CEDB, TLB, ITIB)

Computing power infrastructure

- The construction works of the Sandy Ridge Data Facility Cluster have begun. The computing power of the cluster is expected to reach 180 000 peta-floating point operations per second by 2032, equivalent to 36 times Hong Kong's current computing power, providing solid support to the development of Hong Kong's intelligent computing industry. Its cumulative investment is expected to reach at least \$23.8 billion. (ITIB)
- Inject \$1 billion into the Artificial Intelligence Subsidy Scheme to support the Hong Kong AI Research and Development Institute in applying high-performance computing power for frontier research, accelerating innovative breakthroughs. (ITIB)
- Assess the market demand for computing power, and adopt "high efficiency computing power, stable electricity supply, low-carbon transition" as the core direction, optimising the operation of Hong Kong's data centres and city-level layout of computing power, supporting the healthy development of the intelligent computing industry. (ITIB, EEB)

Advanced construction industry park

- Earmarked 30 hectares of land in the NM to develop a large-scale, advanced construction industry park, which will accommodate steel reinforcing-bar, prefabrication yards and innovative concrete batching plants. The industry park will also introduce facilities for promoting testing and certification of Modular Integrated Construction and Multi-trade Integrated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing, as well as R&D of the construction methods and their training, production and demonstration. This will drive wider adoption of high productivity construction methods in the industry and enhance new quality productive forces. (DEVB)
- Invite the market to submit expressions of interest in the first half of 2027 for the development of an advanced construction industry park of about 10 hectares in Yuen Long South. The tendering process for the first batch of land is expected to be announced no later than the first half of 2028. (DEVB)

Build an NM Ideal for Living, Work and Travel

Commencement of all nine new development areas in the NM

- Commence the site formation and infrastructure works for Ngau Tam Mei in the first half of 2027, with “spade-ready sites” available progressively starting from end-2028. (DEVB)
- Begin statutory planning and related procedures for Lau Fau Shan New Development Area (NDA) within 2026. (DEVB)
- The statutory planning and related procedures will begin in 2027 progressively for the over 200-hectare Priority Development Area (including part of the university town) of Ta Kwu Ling NDA, Au Tau NDA and part of Ma Tso Lung NDA. (DEVB)

Enhance development speed and efficiency

- Continue to implement the three-year “Pay for What You Build” Pilot Scheme, under which land owners, in the process of lease modification, are allowed to carry out phased development of industry sites and have the necessary land premiums assessed on the basis of the actual gross floor area and the preferred use put forward by the lot owners. (DEVB)
- Facilitate industry development by granting longer-term government tenancies (up to at most 21 years through renewal). (DEVB)
- Launch the second pilot area under large-scale land disposal in Fanling North in end-2026 the earliest. (DEVB)
- The Working Group on Planning and Development chaired by the Deputy Financial Secretary co-ordinates departments to expedite approval processes. (DFSO, DEVB, TLB, HB)
- The Northern Metropolis Projects Supervision Office renders full assistance in facilitating large-scale private developments in the NM. (DEVB)

- Chaired by the Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), the Northern Metropolis Public Works Projects Management Committee will continue to exercise high-level monitoring on the implementation of public works projects in the NM, and dynamically monitor the key approval processes of various projects via the integrated capital works platform to strengthen the governance of the public works projects in the NM, aiming at expediting the development at full steam. (DEVB)
- Increase cost-effectiveness by adopting mechanisms such as a framework procurement model and Early Contractor Involvement, and integrate elements of team collaboration comprising government project officers, engineering consultants and contractors on the basis of existing contract models to shorten construction time. (DEVB)
- Expand the application scope of the Hong Kong Environmental Database by consolidating over 200 environmental datasets and optimising planning with AI. The database significantly reduces the time needed for environmental impact assessment (EIA) process to about 15 to 24 months from about 36 to 48 months, significantly improving project efficiency and reducing costs. For the NM-related projects, the time needed for the EIA process will be targeted at about 15 to 20 months. (EEB)
- Introduce a performance-based management approach with real-time on-site environmental monitoring in specified areas of NM in 2027, streamlining the application and assessment procedures for Construction Noise Permits (CNP), targeting to shorten the processing time for CNP from 18 days to 14 days. (EEB)

Introduce dedicated legislation for the NM

- Work to secure passage of the Northern Metropolis Development Bill in the Legislative Council (LegCo) within 2026, and subsequently submit the first batch of five pieces of subsidiary legislation to cover town planning processes, land compensation, building works approval, noise control and cross-boundary flows of people, streamlining procedures to accelerate NM development and facilitating industry operation. (DEVB)

Step up efforts to attract enterprises and investments and intensify industry development

- The cross-departmental committee on preferential policy packages to attract enterprises and investments led by the Financial Secretary will consider factors such as resources invested by the enterprises, related economic benefits, development potential, etc. to formulate dedicated preferential policy packages, which may cover land grants, land premium concessions, financial subsidies, tax concessions, etc., attracting international and national brands and strategic enterprises to establish business operations in Hong Kong. (FSO, CEDB)
- The Office for Attracting Strategic Enterprises and Invest Hong Kong will make use of the preferential policy packages flexibly during negotiations with enterprises and provide them with customised services, with a view to attracting enterprises and investments in a more targeted and effective manner. (FSO, CEDB)
- Introduce an amendment bill into LegCo by end-2026, providing preferential tax rates of 5% or half-rate, for selected enterprises operating in key sectors such as finance, advanced manufacturing, I&T as well as R&D, headquarters activities, and logistics and supply chain management. (FSTB, CEDB, DEVB, EEB, HHB, ITIB, TLB)
- The Hong Kong Investment Corporation Limited will continue, through investments, to mobilise market resources, supporting enterprises in establishing a presence in the NM and other cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. (FSO)

Step up efforts to attract long-term capital investment for the NM

- The Hong Kong Monetary Authority and the Hong Kong Association of Banks established the Northern Metropolis Financial Advisory Taskforce in April 2026 to explore public-private partnership approaches and financing arrangements for the NM development with the Government and industry park companies. Participating banks in the taskforce will offer tailored financing solutions for companies moving into the NM, so as to provide precise support for the NM development. (FSTB)

- The Insurance Authority will implement lowered capital requirements for eligible investment in infrastructure at end-2026, releasing more insurance capital to participate in Hong Kong's infrastructure projects, including the NM development. (FSTB)

Achieve higher living standards in the NM

- For subsidised sale-flat projects in the NM to be completed from 2031-32 onwards, the Hong Kong Housing Authority will increase the proportion of larger flats (i.e. those with a saleable area of about 45 square metres or more) from 20% to 25%, raising the overall living quality of the public. (HB)

Establish the New Territories North Cluster

- The Hospital Authority will plan the establishment of the New Territories North Cluster from 2027, and press ahead with the construction of an integrated teaching and research hospital in Ngau Tam Mei. It will also assess the need and the feasibility of constructing Hung Shui Kiu Hospital. (HHB)

Cultural facilities in the NM

- Develop various cultural facilities in the NM, with construction of the Hong Kong Conservation Repository (formerly Heritage Conservation and Resource Centre) in Tin Shui Wai and the New Territories East Cultural Centre in Fanling expected to be completed in 2028 and 2030, respectively. (CSTB)

Promote urban-rural integration

- With the announcement of the launching of the \$200-million NM Urban-rural Integration Fund, applications will be invited and the first batch of projects approved in 2027, capitalising on community wisdom and encouraging villagers' participation, as well as promoting rural tourism and bringing economic vitality to rural villages. (DEVB)
- Publish the Guidelines on Promoting Urban-rural Integration in the NM within 2026, and launch the "San Tin Timewalk" as the first signature project in 2027 to link attractions with features of traditional rural architecture as well as historical and cultural heritage, creating distinctive landmarks and tourist attractions in collaboration with villagers. (DEVB)

Advance transport infrastructure

- Conduct a NM Highway study and prioritise the San Tin Section to serve NDAs, including Kwu Tung North, the San Tin Technopole and Ngau Tam Mei, with the target of inviting tenders for the main construction works in 2027. Suitable national and overseas design standards, alongside advanced construction technologies, will be adopted. Commissioning of the San Tin Section is expected to be brought forward by two years, to 2034. (TLB)
- Take forward the Tsing Lung Bridge project at the southern end of Route 11, aiming for commissioning in 2033 to meet north-south transport demands arising from the NM development. (TLB)
- Kwu Tung Station is expected to begin operation in 2027, as the 100th heavy rail station. (TLB)
- The Hung Shui Kiu Station will adopt advanced technologies including a Modular Integrated Construction method to enhance speed and efficiency, with commissioning of the station targeted for 2030. (TLB)
- Continue with the works of the Tung Chung Line Extension, Oyster Bay Station and Tuen Mun South Extension with the aim of completing these railway projects progressively from 2029 onwards. (TLB)
- Present a preliminary proposal for the southern extension of the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Rail Link in 2027 to strengthen connectivity between the Hong Kong International Airport and the NM, as well as the Mainland. (TLB)

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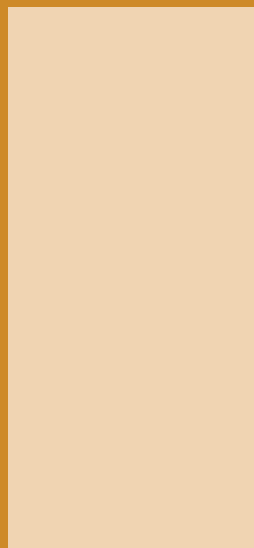
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Background

This year marks the opening year of the National 15th Five-Year Plan. Hong Kong has also published its first Five-Year Plan to align with overall national development, ensuring that the city's development will resonate in tandem with national strategies.

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) is a key development strategy in our country's reform and opening up in the new era. With the full support of the Central Government, "Northbound Travel for Hong Kong Vehicles" and "Southbound Travel for Guangdong Vehicles" have been implemented, advancing the two-way flow of people between Guangdong and Hong Kong. The redeveloped Huanggang Port, which is expected to come into operation in the fourth quarter of this year, will implement the co-location arrangement and the novel "collaborative inspection and joint clearance" mode, making cross-boundary travel smoother and more convenient. We will continue to fostering the GBA's synergistic development, strengthening co-operation in technological innovation and promoting "hard connectivity" in infrastructure, fostering "soft connectivity" by deepening the alignment of rules and mechanisms, and achieving "connectivity of hearts" among residents of the three places within the GBA, and expediting the development of major co-operation platforms.

Hong Kong has signed free trade agreements with 14 Belt and Road (B&R) countries, investment agreements with 20 B&R economies and Comprehensive Avoidance of Double Taxation Agreements with 43 B&R tax jurisdictions. We will continue to participate in high-quality co-operation under the B&R Initiative, positioning ourselves as "Hong Kong - the B&R Superhub" and prioritising the "five areas of connectivity" – policy co-ordination, infrastructure connectivity, unimpeded trade, financial integration and people-to-people bonds as the focus of co-operation. We will promote diverse, comprehensive and pragmatic co-operation and support community organisations in expanding international exchange networks, to achieve extensive consultation, joint contribution and shared benefits.

We will also continue to deepen international exchange and co-operation, sparing no effort in arranging and organising the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Finance Ministers' Meeting to be held in HKSAR this October. At the same time, we will continue to organise high-level events such as the Asian Financial Forum, the Wealth for Good in Hong Kong Summit, the Global Financial Leaders' Investment Summit, Hong Kong FinTech Week to establish Hong Kong as a global platform for high-quality financial dialogue, while attracting more international organisations to establish a presence in Hong Kong.

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Better Integrate into and Serve the Overall National Development

Integrate into the Overall National Development

- The Steering Group on Integration into National Development, chaired by the Chief Executive, continues to holistically co-ordinate and supervise the various initiatives on integrating into and serving the overall national development from a high-level perspective, with a view to leading the Government and all sectors of the community in proactively aligning with major national strategies such as the National 15th Five-Year Plan, development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) and high-quality co-operation under the Belt and Road (B&R) Initiative, as well as fostering the all-round co-operation between the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and Mainland provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions to promote the high-quality development of the country and the HKSAR. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Proactively and continuously deepen the co-operation with various Mainland provinces and municipalities by launching more initiatives on the existing co-operation platforms, and exploring the development of new co-operation platforms to fully leverage Hong Kong's distinctive advantages and reinforce its connectivity with both the Mainland and the world. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)

Deepen the Development of the GBA

Support the high-quality development of major co-operation platforms in Qianhai and Nansha

- Support the Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Co-operation Zone in serving as a platform for early and pilot implementation, and encourage Hong Kong's modern service industry to establish a foothold in Qianhai to tap into Mainland markets. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Deepen Qianhai's role as a liaison point, supporting connection between Hong Kong's legal and other professional services and "go global" enterprises in GBA so as to leverage the strengths of Hong Kong's professional services in assisting enterprises to "go global". (DoJ)
- Further explore with the Qianhai Authority to select suitable pilot projects for the adoption of the smart site management system - "SmartEye" and the Project Integrity Management Framework, both being used in Hong Kong's public works projects, with the aim of introducing Hong Kong's advanced project management model into the GBA. (DEVB)
- Support the Qianhai Authority in implementing Hong Kong's Smart Site Safety System (4S) in selected pilot projects, and discuss with the Qianhai Authority and relevant Mainland authorities the strategic arrangements for promoting a wider use of 4S in due course, including exploring the formulation of an accreditation scheme suitable for the GBA, with Hong Kong's 4S Labelling Scheme as a blueprint. (DEVB)

- Support Nansha in serving as a high-standard gateway for opening up, and through participating in Nansha's infrastructure development, foster mutually beneficial industrial chain co-operation and the two-way flow and exchange of talents and innovative resources. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Press ahead with the Northern Link Project and the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Rail Link (Hung Shui Kiu-Qianhai) to promote the co-ordinated development of rail transit in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, with target commissioning in 2034 and 2035 respectively to fully connect the rail transit networks of Hong Kong and Shenzhen. (TLB)
- Explore further enhancements to the existing registration systems of the Guangdong Province and Nansha, and discuss with relevant departments of Nansha to establish a regular mechanism for sharing information on projects to be open for tendering by Hong Kong enterprises. (DEVB)

Advance the development of Dongguan Logistics Park

- Permanent facilities of Phase 1 of the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) Dongguan Logistics Park will be officially put into operation in June 2027, with its cargo handling capacity gradually reaching 1 million tonnes a year. (TLB)
- With a view to developing a cold chain hub, a designated supervision area was set up in the logistics park in 2026 for the import of overseas chilled aquatic products and fresh fruits to the GBA via Hong Kong, establishing a more efficient and convenient international, cold-chain, air-cargo passage. (TLB)

Jointly develop a sustainable aviation-fuel (SAF) value chain

- Take forward the construction of SAF blending facilities in Hong Kong to develop a complete SAF value chain and to reduce logistics costs, attaining more competitive SAF prices. (EEB, TLB)

- To achieve a SAF consumption ratio of 1%-3% for flights departing from the HKIA in 2030 as set out in Hong Kong's first Five-Year plan, complete the study on the establishment of a mechanism for mandatory SAF consumption ratio and launch publicity and education campaigns by 2028 to create conditions favourable for attaining the consumption ratio. (TLB)
- The HKEX's Core Climate is progressively exploring the possibility of offering green energy and other environmental equity products, including SAF and green hydrogen certificates, to the market, as well as looking into appropriate options with industry stakeholders to better meet the needs of enterprises in respect of carbon emission reduction. (FSTB)

Participate in the development of the GBA port cluster

- Capitalise on the vast GBA market to expand high value-added maritime services such as marine insurance, maritime law (particularly contract signing and governance), arbitration, ship management and maritime financing. This will enhance Hong Kong's pricing power, rule-exporting capacity and institutional discourse power in the international maritime services chain, thereby empowering the GBA world-class port cluster. (TLB)
- Strengthen port collaboration with Huizhou, Dongguan and other GBA cities, enabling transit from rivers to seas in the GBA, improve the feeder network and explore the application of smart feeders to improve transportation efficiency and reduce costs, encouraging export of GBA cargo through Hong Kong and the convergence of Central and South American shipping routes in Hong Kong. (TLB)

Foster financial development in the GBA

- The HKEX's Core Climate, in collaboration with the Guangzhou Power Exchange Centre, is working towards the pilot trading of national renewable-energy green electricity certificates (GECs) in Hong Kong within 2026 and encouraging Hong Kong institutions to use such GECs as the relevant compliant tool to offset electricity-related carbon emissions, with a view to supporting the country in expanding GEC application outside the Mainland. (FSTB)

- Actively discuss with relevant Mainland authorities further enhancements to the Cross-boundary Wealth Management Connect Scheme in the GBA. (FSTB)
- Explore enhancements to cross-boundary credit referencing and the Shenzhen-Hong Kong cross-boundary data validation platforms, including their coverage and workflow, while establishing a new cross-boundary data validation platform with Chongqing to promote cross-boundary financing for enterprises and individuals. (FSTB)

Foster new industrialisation collaboration in the GBA

- Discuss with the Guangdong authorities specific action plans for promoting new industrialisation under the co-ordination of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, and sign a memorandum of understanding with the Shenzhen Municipality under the principle of “co-operation in research and development (R&D), collaboration and transformation, and sharing the benefits of development”, with the aim of promoting the development of industrial innovation platforms, and formulating mechanisms and models to achieve industrial chain synergy for emerging and future industries. (ITIB)

Co-ordinate the work of bureaux on fostering connectivity within the GBA

- Set up a “Task Force on Expediting the Alignment of Rules and Mechanisms in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao” under the Deputy Secretary for Justice to co-ordinate relevant bureaux to explore ways to advance the alignment of rules and mechanisms in the GBA. (DoJ)
- Continue to promote the facilitation measure of the Standard Contract for the Cross-boundary Flow of Personal Information within the GBA (Mainland, Hong Kong) to facilitate the cross-boundary flow of data in a safe manner, driving the development of digital economy in the GBA. (ITIB)

- Utilise mechanisms of the Guangdong-Hong Kong and Hong Kong-Shenzhen co-operation task forces to advance across the GBA “hard connectivity” in infrastructure, “soft connectivity” in rules and standards, and “connectivity of hearts” among residents, and enhance cross-boundary flow of elements. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)
- Continue to step up overseas promotion of the opportunities brought about by the development of the GBA and the strengths of Hong Kong therein through duty visits of senior officials, international connections of overseas Economic and Trade Offices and other partner organisations, major international exhibitions held in Hong Kong, as well as joint overseas promotion with the Guangdong Provincial Government and the Macao SAR Government. (CMAB and relevant bureaux)

Deepen the construction of rule of law in the GBA

- Explore pathways to promote GBA model arbitration rules to further improve the competitiveness of arbitration services in the GBA, and deepen the alignment of rules and mechanisms among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao. (DoJ)
- Support and complement the Mainland authorities’ implementation work in regularising the GBA Lawyers’ Scheme for GBA lawyers to realise their unique strengths. (DoJ)

Develop a Multi-trade integrated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing industry chain in the GBA

- Publish a Cross-boundary Trading Guidebook on Multi-trade integrated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (MiMEP) in the first half of 2027 to consolidate information, including requirements pertaining to customs and excise, taxation and industry regulations to facilitate cross-boundary business development and promote the development of a MiMEP industry chain in the GBA. (DEVB)

Enhance GBA Standards for construction talent

- Plan to promulgate the GBA Standards on the skill levels for two new trades of skilled construction workers and one technician position, and take forward the “One Examination, Multiple Certification” arrangement in 2026. (DEVB)

Strengthen co-operation between higher education institutions in Hong Kong and other GBA cities

- Continue to enhance, on the 10th anniversary of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao University Alliance, the mechanism for the establishment of alliances between higher education institutions in Hong Kong and the Mainland to deepen technological innovation and talent exchange among member institutions. (EDB)

GBA Standards going global

- Promote the application of the Construction Product Accreditation Scheme and the Modular Integrated Construction Manufacturer Accreditation Scheme in the GBA, and further promote the schemes to other Mainland provinces and municipalities as well as the B&R countries, assisting the country’s construction technologies, materials and products in going global. (DEVB)
- Collaborate with the Ministry of Water Resources to formulate GBA Standards for water-related affairs which are in line with the international standards, showcase the advanced science and technology through Hong Kong’s international infrastructure platform, and give full play to Hong Kong’s dual roles as a “super connector” and a “super value-adder”, with a view to helping the country’s water-related industry enhance its global competitiveness and go global. (DEVB)

Deepen Regional Co-operation with the Mainland

Improve and facilitate Hong Kong residents’ development and living in the Mainland

- Expand continuously the Residential Care Services Scheme in Guangdong to more GBA cities, providing more care home choices for Hong Kong elderly. (LWB)
- The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) will foster the linkage between the Faster Payment System and UnionPay (which together with its partner payment networks, covers over 100 million merchants worldwide) within 2026 to encourage both local and cross-boundary retail payment by users. (FSTB)
- HKMA will consider expanding the user base of Payment Connect and develop use cases to promote cross-boundary living, working and retirement to residents of both sides. (FSTB)
- Since the third quarter of 2026, the HKMC Annuity Limited has introduced an additional option for HKMC Annuity Plan policy holders to receive annuity income directly through designated Mainland bank accounts. (FSTB)
- Review continuously the effectiveness of the Pilot Scheme for Elderly Recipients of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance to Reside in Residential Care Homes in Guangdong. (LWB)

Facilitate cross-boundary transport development

- Continue to work with the Mainland authorities to review and enhance the travel booking and renewal arrangements of “Northbound Travel for Hong Kong Vehicles”, thereby further facilitating efficient cross-boundary travel and making better use of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB). (TLB)
- Continue to work with the Mainland authorities to steadily expand “Southbound Travel for Guangdong Vehicles”, and strive to expand the scheme (including the automated car parks at the HZMB Hong Kong Port and the entry into urban area) to all cities in Guangdong Province by the first quarter of 2027, thereby further promoting integrated development of the GBA, as well as making better use of the HZMB. (TLB)

Enhance the cross-boundary service of judicial documents

- Actively implement a new service arrangement signed with the Supreme People's Court to enhance the modes and efficiency for cross-boundary service of judicial documents between the Mainland and Hong Kong for better protection of the rights and interests of parties involved. (DoJ)

Establish medical services centres in accordance with national standards

- Further establish Integrated Cardiovascular Diseases Centre in accordance with national standards, including the setting up of a heart failure centre and a cardiac rehabilitation centre under the Hong Kong Island Cluster, as well as optimising the treatment processes and service network for patients suffering from chest pain and other cardiovascular diseases. (HHB)

Hydrogen standards

- The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department has joined the National Standards expert groups to participate in the drafting of Guobiao (GB) standards for hydrogen. By aligning the standards of Hong Kong and the Mainland and promoting the co-ordinated development of hydrogen supply chains, technologies and safety standards, enable the application of GB standards in Hong Kong, through which to showcase our country's expertise in hydrogen to the international community. (EEB)
- Establish an internationally aligned "Green Hydrogen Standard Certification Scheme" to certify the greenhouse gas emission performance of hydrogen products, connecting hydrogen projects with global green financing. The second phase of the study has commenced, and pilot projects in collaboration with major hydrogen enterprises will be launched in Hong Kong and the Mainland within 2026, with the target to implement a certification scheme recognised by the Mainland and the international community in 2027. (EEB)

Deepen International Exchange and Co-operation

Build an international exchange platform

- Ensure the success of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Finance Ministers' Meeting to be held in the HKSAR in October 2026; and continue to build a global platform for high quality financial dialogue through hosting financial mega events such as the Asian Financial Forum, Wealth for Good in Hong Kong Summit, Global Financial Leaders' Investment Summit and Hong Kong FinTech Week. (FSTB)
- Host the International Infrastructure and Projects Leaders Summit again in November 2026, with a view to showcasing Hong Kong and the Mainland's application of advanced construction technology, and assisting competitive construction industries in Hong Kong and the Mainland to go global. (DEVB)
- Step up efforts to actively promote Hong Kong's edge as an international financial centre and a Renminbi business hub in ASEAN and the Middle East region, and continue to deepen ties with major markets along the B&R in Southeast Asia and Central Asia. (FSTB)
- Ensure the successful delivery of the INTERPOL General Assembly 2026, which will be hosted by our country in Hong Kong, to showcase the achievements of "One Country, Two Systems" and tell the good stories of our country, Hong Kong and the Police. (SB)
- The Correctional Services Department will organise the "50th Anniversary Conference of Psychological Services of Correctional Services Department" in 2026 and the "Hong Kong International Correctional Services Tactical Skills Invitational Competition 2027" in 2027 to strengthen exchanges and co-operation. (SB)
- The Fire Services Department will hold the annual conference and seminar of the International Fire and Ambulance Training Institutes Association in Hong Kong in the first quarter of 2027 to foster international exchanges on issues such as disaster management and rescue operations. (SB)

- The Customs and Excise Department will continue to serve as the Vice-Chairperson for the Asia-Pacific Region of the World Customs Organization for the period from 2026 to 2028 so as to continuously strengthen customs co-operation and exchanges within the region and give fuller play to Hong Kong's role as a "super connector". (SB)

Attract more international organisations to establish a presence in Hong Kong

- The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) chose to establish its first centre of excellence on global advanced manufacturing in the Asia-Pacific region in Hong Kong and the centre is expected to begin operation in the second quarter of 2027. (ITIB)
- Deepen co-operation with the International Chamber of Commerce, the world's largest and most representative business organisation leading the formulation of global trade financing rules, with a view to further enhancing Hong Kong's status as a global financial rule-maker and persuading more international financial institutions to establish their presence in Hong Kong. (FSTB)
- Successfully facilitated the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to establish the GlobE Network Asia-Pacific Regional Bureau with the country's support to consolidate Hong Kong's position as an international anti-corruption hub, and preparatory work is currently underway at full steam. (ICAC)
- Fully support the setting up of an Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) office in Hong Kong to assist the AIIB in further promoting the sustainable development of infrastructure in Asia. (FSTB)

Establish the Hong Kong International Academy of Policing

- Establish the Hong Kong International Academy of Policing in November 2026, dedicated to organising international hallmark training programmes, police leadership forums and overseas outreach training programmes, to deepen international collaborative policing exchanges, and reinforce the Hong Kong Police Force's brand as "Asia's Finest". (SB)

Establish a World Health Organization-accredited emergency medical team

- Strive to apply for the World Health Organization's accreditation for the inter-departmental Emergency Medical Team in 2027, promoting Hong Kong's active participation in and contribution to major global emergency medical rescues. (HHB)

Boost the global influence of the innovation and technology (I&T) sector

- Plan and organise a large-scale international artificial intelligence (AI) conference in Hong Kong to promote open source and openness, as well as co-operation and sharing, fostering the synergistic development of AI innovation and application. (ITIB)
- Organise major international conferences and events, such as organising the World Internet Conference Asia-Pacific Summit and the InnoEX as well as supporting the hosting of the LEAP East again in 2027, enhancing Hong Kong's leading position as an international I&T centre. (ITIB)
- Launch the Special Call on Academic Journals to support local universities and professional organisations in publishing internationally influential academic journals, and encourage them to continue their efforts to host international academic and professional conferences. (ITIB)
- The R&D centres under the third InnoHK research cluster have commenced operation in phases, with the focus on sustainable development, energy, advanced manufacturing and materials, with a view to expanding I&T collaboration between Hong Kong and the rest of the world. (ITIB)

Attract Asian and international sports associations to establish a presence in Hong Kong

- Continue to provide financial support through a pilot scheme for local national sports associations to participate in the work of Asian and international sports associations and strive to attract Asian and international sports associations to establish a presence in Hong Kong, strengthening Hong Kong's influence in the international sports arena. (CSTB)

Consolidate Hong Kong's position as an Asia-Pacific broadcasting hub

- Review the Generic Codes of Practice for Television to ensure that the regulation keeps pace with the times, broadcasting diversified and quality programmes to the audience, and expanding the reach of the “Hong Kong Brand” to the Asia-Pacific region. (CEDB)
- The Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) will actively enhance its production capability, efficiency and quality for telling the good stories of the country and Hong Kong, as well as strengthening its international communication capacity. (CEDB)

Pursue Co-operation under the B&R Initiative

- Continue to organise business delegations to potential B&R markets to explore new opportunities for enterprises and the professional services sector. (CEDB)
- Step up promotion of the “Hong Kong-Overseas Project Platform” to help Hong Kong companies participate in signature and “small and beautiful” projects in B&R regions, and promote Hong Kong’s services and standards externally. (CEDB)
- Strengthen the functions of Hong Kong’s B&R Capacity Building Platforms to co-ordinate and promote the capacity building programmes of public organisations and institutions in Hong Kong. (CEDB)
- Continue to host the B&R Summit and elevate it to serve as an important economic and trade co-operation platform, facilitating more deliverables from co-operation. (CEDB)
- Launch the Green Technology Bridgehead Programme to bring together Mainland and overseas technology companies that use Hong Kong as a springboard for “going global” or “landing” in the Mainland. By showcasing the green solutions and technology applications through the EcoPark’s platform, and leveraging Hong Kong’s legal, financial and environmental expertise, these companies can export green solutions to B&R countries. It is targeted to have at least five companies to join the programme within 2027, and be provided with relevant training in “going global”. (EEB)
- Provide high-level training for personnel from B&R countries with the establishment of the B&R sustainable green development training centre. (EEB)
- Co-organise the B&R Green Innovation Conference with the Ministry of Ecology and Environment for the first time in Hong Kong in October 2026, where about 260 officials and experts from the Mainland and B&R countries will jointly explore green technological innovation and opportunities for collaboration. (EEB)
- HKEX’s Core Climate is deepening co-operation with Brazil, Malaysia and Kazakhstan and promoting the carbon markets of B&R countries/regions to make better use of Hong Kong’s professional strengths in finance and standards setting in aligning with the international carbon market. It is also working to generate successful cases of pilot implementation of cross-border carbon trading. (FSTB)
- Starting from the 2027/28 academic year, increase the annual quota of the B&R Scholarship to 200 places, so as to attract outstanding students from B&R countries to pursue their studies in Hong Kong. (EDB)
- Continue to deepen co-operation with broadcasters and the media in the B&R regions, to build the RTHK’s influence and role in policy dissemination. (CEDB)
- The Information Services Department will assist the local media to expand their network beyond Hong Kong, thereby telling the good stories of the city. (HYAB)
- The Centre of Excellence for Major Project Leaders (CoE) is a B&R capacity building platform and will further connect to the world, establish an international branding impact, and connect knowledge for shared prosperity with B&R countries. We will continuously strengthen the role of the CoE in the coming years, with the vision of upgrading the CoE and re-shaping it into a “Centre of Excellence for International Infrastructure Governance and Major Project Leaders”. (DEVB)

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Enhance Social Well-being







Background

It has been the mission of the current-term Government to enhance people's well-being, with a focus on livelihood issues such as housing, transport, healthcare, education, welfare, and youth development. We strive to provide better living standards for the public, greater prospects for young people and enhanced care for the elderly, building an inclusive and caring community, one where everybody can enjoy social harmony and stability.

The Government continues to press ahead with policies that enhance the quantity, speed, efficiency and quality of public housing, addressing the “big, difficult and long-standing” housing problems that have plagued Hong Kong for years. We have expedited housing production through the application of new construction technologies. We have also introduced innovative Light Public Housing and stepped up measures to combat tenancy abuse in public rental housing. With our unrelenting efforts, the overall Composite Waiting Time for Subsidised Rental Housing dropped to 4.8 years as of end-June this year, a reduction of more than one year compared with the peak of 6.1 years before the current-term Government took office. Furthermore, the Basic Housing Units regime, in effect since March, signals the gradual eradication of substandard, subdivided units in Hong Kong. We will continue to increase public housing supply through a multi-pronged approach, enhancing the housing ladder on a continual basis to enable people of different income levels to realise home ownership, thereby fundamentally building a new paradigm of more sustainable, multi-strata housing supply in Hong Kong.

The Government is also pressing ahead with healthcare system reform and restructuring the functions and division of work among the Hospital Authority, the Department of Health and the Primary Healthcare Commission. The goal is to establish a new healthcare model that emphasises prevention and integrates prevention with treatment. We will continue to deepen reform and take active public health measures to ensure that the outcomes of the reform are widely shared. To strengthen protection of people's livelihoods, we will shift from the traditional mindset of “offering relief” towards a strategy of proactive identification and targeted support. This includes identifying specific groups and focusing resources on areas that help people who are most in need.

While pursuing a balanced strategy to ensure long-term fiscal sustainability, we will continue to adopt a multi-pronged approach to improving systems and optimising services. This will foster a society with ready access to childcare, youth development opportunities, employment, medical services, elderly care, housing and social support.

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Advance Quality Education and Nurture a Diversified Pool of Talent

Promote digital and Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) education

- Roll out a free digital education learning resource platform equipped with Artificial Intelligence (AI) Large Language Models, while progressively extending the “AI Teaching Assistant” to more subjects to provide teaching support. (EDB)
- Review technology education in primary schools with a view to optimising the interface of Information and Innovation Technology curricula between primary and secondary levels. (EDB)
- Revise the curricula and assessments of senior secondary Science subjects and the Extended Part of senior secondary Mathematics to encourage more students to further study mathematics and science at the senior secondary level. (EDB)
- Earmark funding under the Quality Education Fund to take forward digitalisation in kindergarten education administration, including enhancing digital equipment and AI tools of kindergartens, as well as to promote technological ethics and digital literacy to parents. (EDB)
- Provide training on innovative technology and AI to enhance digital literacy, understanding, and practical application among kindergarten teachers, principals, and administrative staff. (EDB)

Enhance the operating standards of schools

- Continue to refine the Code of Practice for Private Schools (the Code) and finalise the pilot version of the Code within the 2026/27 school year, and update the Private School List with a view to enhancing private schools’ operation standards and transparency. (EDB)
- Launch the “Confluence and Elevation – School Excellence Project” for publicly-funded schools within the 2026/27 school year to further encourage and facilitate mergers of suitable publicly-funded primary and secondary schools, consolidating resources and enhance education quality. (EDB)

Strengthen support for student development

- Develop a one-stop, self-directed learning portal for Chinese Language Education, and provide multimodal learning resources. (EDB)
- Organise a series of territory-wide English speaking activities for students. (EDB)
- Continue to provide opportunities for junior secondary students to learn other languages in the 2026/27 school year, and encourage schools to arrange diversified activities to use the languages. (EDB)
- Launch the new Campus-based Financial Education Scheme in collaboration with enterprises and higher education institutions in the 2026/27 school year to enhance students’ financial literacy. (EDB)

Expand teachers' professional development

- Amend the Education Ordinance to impose the requirement of holding a practising certificate a prerequisite for teaching, enhancing the teacher registration mechanism. (EDB)
- Enhance the teacher training framework by setting training requirements to raise the professional standards of teachers. (EDB)
- Continue to take forward the “Guangdong-Hong Kong Sister Kindergarten Exchange Programme”, increasing the number of beneficiary Hong Kong kindergartens to 200 in the 2026/27 school year, to deepen professional exchanges and collaboration among kindergarten teachers of the two places, enhancing the quality of kindergarten education. (EDB)
- Continue to foster the spirit of educators and support activities that promote teachers' professional ethics, in an effort to enhance the professionalism of the teaching force. (EDB)

Advance the development of universities of applied sciences

- In collaboration with the Alliance of Universities of Applied Sciences, conduct publicity work on vocational and professional education and training early in secondary schools, promoting diversified pathways for students. (EDB)
- Deepen collaboration with the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) to explore, among others, the provision of joint programmes, cross-border internship and research collaboration. (EDB)

Training for local technical experts

- Extend the provision of an additional monthly training allowance of \$1,000 to registered apprentices for a period of two years, encouraging more young people to undergo apprenticeship training. (LWB)

Continuous training for construction technology talent

- The Construction Industry Council (CIC) will continue to provide systematic training courses to upgrade manpower capabilities (especially frontline staff on construction sites) in construction technologies. (DEVB)

- Continue to promote “multi-skilled” development and upskilling (including training on construction technologies) of workers, and offer programmes with a more flexible schedule, enabling individuals of different family status and part-time workers to receive training. (DEVB)
- Continue to collaborate with relevant educational institutions and the construction sector in stepping up the training (including training on construction technologies) of local technicians and professionals in the sector. (DEVB)

Strengthen skills training for all and consolidate local training resources

- Upskill Hong Kong (upgrade of the former Employees Retraining Board), will promulgate the first phase of the skills-based training framework in the first quarter of 2027. It will focus on sectors related to city operations, guide training bodies in developing corresponding courses and build skills learning pathways. (LWB)
- Commence a review on the Continuing Education Fund with Upskill Hong Kong within the first year after the latter's establishment to consolidate local training resources and enhance efficiency. (LWB)

Foster the Development of Young People, Women, Families and a Harmonious Society

Create a bright future for young people

- Continue to implement the Youth Development Blueprint and update the initiatives in the blueprint in a timely manner in response to the latest social development and needs of young people. (HYAB)
- Continue to update and enhance the Youth Dashboard to consolidate youth-related data and trends for keeping better tabs on the pulse of young people. (HYAB)
- Continue to implement the Member Self-recommendation Scheme for Youth. (HYAB)

Empower youth to go global

- Launch an International Young Talent Exchange Base in 2026 to promote international exchanges and invite Youth Link members to participate. (HYAB)
- Launch the new HYAB – United Nations Youth Leaders Internship Programme to offer internship placements in various United Nations agencies. (HYAB)
- Sign co-operation agreements and set up regular exchange platforms with international organisations and make arrangements for young people to participate in large-scale international conferences to be held in Hong Kong and the Mainland. (HYAB)
- Invite international experts and visiting guests to exchange views with young people who returned to Hong Kong after participating in international exchanges and internships. (HYAB)
- Continue to organise the Youth Development Summit, convening young people from around the world to exchange views with Hong Kong youths. (HYAB)
- Explore with the International Organization for Mediation opportunities for more youth participation in related affairs; and continue to organise mediation workshops to enhance youth understanding of mediation industry and services. (HYAB, DoJ)
- Continue to support exchanges outside Hong Kong and enhance cross-cultural exchanges on campus. Starting from the 2026/27 academic year, the University Grants Committee will, through an injection of \$100 million, expand the coverage of its Funding Scheme for Chinese Mainland and Global Engagement and Student Learning Experience to Belt and Road countries/regions. (EDB)
- Allocate additional resources to support the Vocational Training Council in forming the Hong Kong, China delegation to participate in the WorldSkills Competition. (EDB)

- Strengthen the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Exchange in the Mainland and the HYAB Funding Scheme for International Youth Exchange, enabling young people to deepen their understanding of the country's history, culture, development and achievements, as well as promoting exchanges among young people of Hong Kong, the Mainland and overseas as a way to tell good stories of Hong Kong. (HYAB)
- Deepen international and Mainland exchanges of the youth uniformed groups of the disciplined and auxiliary services under the Security Bureau (SB), and provide members with more opportunities to participate in international conferences and engage in exchanges with young people from the Mainland and overseas. (SB)

Open up new frontiers for youth development

- Introduce a new thematic finance internship programme in the Mainland to provide opportunities for young people to undertake internships in large financial institution(s) in the Mainland, allowing them to understand the mode of operation and latest developments in the Mainland financial market. (HYAB)
- Launch thematic aerospace training activities in the Mainland for young people to gain a deeper understanding of the latest developments of our country's aerospace technology and develop an interest in this field. (HYAB)
- Increase the thematic internship places relating to high-end scientific research at the Chinese Academy of Sciences to offer the opportunity to more young people to directly take part in our country's top-notch scientific research. (HYAB)
- Launch new AI experiential activities to enhance young people's understanding of AI application and the industry. (HYAB)
- Continue to strengthen the Youth Financial Education Programme launched in 2024 to provide young people with information on the financial sector and financial planning, enhancing their understanding of the financial market. (HYAB)
- Introduce a young researcher category under the Innovation and Technology Support Programme. (ITIB)

- The Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation has expanded the Talent Foundry programme to provide training for local university students, researchers, career newcomers and professionals, focusing on AI+ and emerging technologies. Around 500 training opportunities are expected to be provided each year. (ITIB)
- Continue to provide funding support for the Hong Kong Productivity Council to organise the Hong Kong Future Aerospace Technology Talents Training Programme for secondary students. (ITIB)
- Cyberport will continue to support Innovation and Technology (I&T) for young people through relevant programmes. (ITIB)
- The Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA) will regularise the “Well-Being · Start-Up 2.0” Programme starting from 2026-27 whereby rental concessions are provided to encourage youth entrepreneurship. Referral efforts will also be stepped up to match promising projects with commercial partners. (HB)

30 000 Youth Employment and Internship Programme

- Mobilise the business sector, including major employer and trade associations, to provide an additional 10 000 full-time jobs lasting six months or more within a two-year period starting from the first quarter of 2027. These jobs will be open to young people newly entering the workforce, with part of the wages borne by the Government, amounting to \$6,000 per month or up to one-third of the monthly salary, for six months. (LWB)
- Expand the STEM Internship Scheme and enhance the HYAB Youth Start-up Internship Programme, providing more than 10 000 internship opportunities within two years, with each intern receiving a subsidy of no less than \$11,000. (ITIB, HYAB)
- The CIC alongside the Government will continue the on-the-job training subsidy scheme for professional graduates of relevant disciplines in 2027 and 2028. A monthly salary subsidy of \$5,000 will be provided for each graduate, offering a total of 10 000 training places over two years. (DEVB)
- The Financial Services Development Council will launch a two-year Financial Services Industry Youth Internship Programme, joining hands with the industry to provide 1 000 youth internship placements related to financial services. (FSTB)
- Launch a “one-stop” dedicated webpage to facilitate young people’s access to information about the programme and apply for vacancies. (LWB)
- Launch the “Youth Employment Link” online service portal to facilitate young people’s access to employment information and support services, and launch the Shanghai-Hong Kong Youth Employment Scheme. (LWB)

Strengthen youth training and support

- Continue to implement the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Positive Thinking Activities and the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Adventure Training Activities, with no less than 6 000 and 10 000 attendances each round respectively, nurturing positive thinking and values among young people and enabling them to become a new generation with a sense of responsibility, and with an aspiration and willingness to contribute to the development of our country and of Hong Kong. (HYAB)
- Continue to organise youthfest@HK, where different sectors of the community are invited to jointly organise a wide spectrum of activities for nurturing positive thinking among young people, promoting innovation and inspiring creativity. (HYAB)
- Continue to implement the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Entrepreneurship in the GBA to provide capital subsidies and comprehensive support services for youth start-up teams intending to start businesses in Hong Kong and GBA cities. (HYAB)
- Continue to implement the HYAB Funding Scheme for Experiential Programmes at Innovation and Entrepreneurial Bases to encourage young people to explore the enormous entrepreneurial opportunities in the GBA as well as different provinces and cities in the Mainland. (HYAB)

- Continue to provide youth entrepreneurs with more comprehensive support through the Alliance of Hong Kong Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurial Bases in the GBA, assisting them to widen their networks and enhance competitiveness. (HYAB)
- Arrange for members of the youth uniformed groups of the disciplined and auxiliary services under the SB to participate in community volunteer services, and leverage their acquired knowledge and skills to become community guardians and enhance the positive impact of the groups. (SB)

Expand spaces and networks for youth

- Continue to provide a platform, through the new interactive space for young people at the Youth Square in Chai Wan officially opened in April 2026, for young people to gather for exchanges, develop personal potentials and participate in different activities, as well as continue to roll out the “Good Stories of Hong Kong Youth” Programme and provide relevant training on production and filming of video clippings. The second phase of the Youth Square renovation works will be completed by end-2026. (HYAB)
- Continue to provide an on-going interactive focal point, through the first and second phases of Youth Link · Nam Cheong officially opened in April 2026, strengthening the Government and the Youth Development Commission’s communication and collaboration with young people following their participation in various youth development projects. The third phase of the renovation works in the adjoining Tung Chau Street Temporary Market will be completed by end-2026. (HYAB)
- Continue to organise youth activities of different types encompassing culture, arts, sports and other elements through the “Youth Post” hostel at Kai Tak which has officially commenced operation in end-2025, promoting exchanges between local youth and those from the Mainland and overseas, and creating a place for young people to inspire creativity. (HYAB)
- Continue to enhance communication with young people through the Youth Link and the youth mobile application “HKYouth+”, presenting them with opportunities to develop diverse talents. (HYAB)

- Complete the works project which includes the district open space and sports centre at Sze Mei Street in San Po Kong for project handover and pre-operation preparation in end-2026. The brand new recreational and sports facilities, coupled with the existing multi-purpose community facilities in the proximity, will become a gathering place for young people in the San Po Kong Business Area. (DEVB)

Continue to implement the Youth Hostel Scheme

- Continue to increase the supply of hostel places under the Youth Hostel Scheme, including fully funding non-government organisations (NGOs) to construct youth hostels on under-utilised sites, and subsidising NGOs to convert suitable hotels and guesthouses into youth hostels in co-operation with their owners. The number of hostel places launched under the scheme has increased significantly from 80 when the current-term Government took office to a maximum of about 3 700 at present. The three youth hostels currently under construction are expected to be completed progressively from end-2026 onwards, providing a total of approximately 1 000 hostel spaces. (HYAB)

Promote fertility

- The \$20,000 newborn baby bonus, which is due to expire on 24 October 2026, will be extended for three years. (DCSO)
- To encourage families to have more than one child, the newborn baby bonus for the second or subsequent child born on or after 16 September 2026 will be increased from \$20,000 to \$30,000 for three years. (DCSO)
- If a taxpayer’s second child and subsequent children are born on or after 16 September 2026, the tax allowance for those children will be increased from \$140,000 to \$160,000, and the allowance may be claimed until they reach the age of 25 following the established procedures. The relevant arrangement will take effect from the year of assessment 2026/27. (FSTB)
- The additional allowance for the first two years following childbirth for the aforesaid second and subsequent child will also be increased from \$140,000 to \$160,000. The arrangement will take effect from the year of assessment 2026/27. (FSTB)

- Eligible families (whose children are born on or after 16 September 2026 in Hong Kong, with either parent a Hong Kong permanent resident) having purchased a residential property from one year before to two years after the childbirth are entitled to a stamp duty waiver capped at \$20,000. The stamp duty concession will take effect upon passage of the amendment bill. (FSTB)
- Starting from the next Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) sale exercise, the maximum mortgage loan-to-value ratio for White Form family applicants with newborns will be raised to 95%, easing their down payment burden. All families with children aged three or below on the application form as at the application deadline of the relevant HOS sale exercise will benefit from this measure. (HB)
- Starting from 2026-27, the Hospital Authority (HA) will further increase the annual service quota for in-vitro fertilisation by 300 in phases over the next three years from 1 600 to 1 900 treatment cycles per year. (HHB)
- The Primary Healthcare Commission (PHC Commission) will gradually extend its free pre-pregnancy, antenatal and postnatal classes to all District Health Centres (DHCs) and DHC Expresses across the territory. (HHB)
- The Family Planning Association of Hong Kong will launch publicity within 2026 to promote healthy fertility. (HHB)
- Set up by end-2030 three new aided standalone child care centres, expecting to provide a total of approximately 1 800 additional day care service places. (LWB)
- Regularise School-based After School Care Service Scheme starting from the 2027/28 school year and no quota will be imposed to continuously support families of primary school students with caretaking needs. (LWB)
- Strengthen professional support for the After School Care Programme for Pre-primary Children and provide escort service, as well as step up service publicity.
- Provide family care leave for government employees, further enhancing the family-friendly employment measures for them. (CSB)

Support women's development

- Extend the “She Inspires” Mentorship Programme for three years to match local female university students with women leader mentors, promoting high-quality development of their career. (HYAB)
- Continue to make optimal use of the Women Empowerment Fund to subsidise women's organisations and NGOs for launching more projects that support women. (HYAB)
- Continue to host high-level forums, such as the Family and Women Development Summit, to gather relevant stakeholders' views on women's development and promotion of family education. (HYAB)
- Keep the one-stop family and women information portal under review and enrich its content. (HYAB)
- Continue to implement the Maintenance Mediation Pilot Scheme under the Community Care Fund to subsidise NGOs in providing mediation services on maintenance to resolve related disputes. (HYAB)

Support ethnic minorities

- Continue to support the Steering Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs, chaired by the Chief Secretary for Administration, to strengthen cross-bureau/inter-departmental collaboration, as well as to co-ordinate and provide steer on support measures for ethnic minorities (EMs). (CSO, CMAB)
- Support Service Centres for EMs will set up an Elder Harmony Network from 2027 onwards to enhance support for EM elderly persons. (HYAB)
- Strengthen the collaboration between the existing EM Care Teams and the District Services and Community Care Teams (Care Teams), so that more EM elderly persons can be reached and referred for assistance as needed. (HYAB)
- Set up a new Success Counsel Programme under the Youth Network in the Support Service Centres for EM from 2027 onwards where outstanding EMs will be arranged to share their experience, and EM youngsters will be encouraged to join the District Youth Committees through the Member Self-recommendation Scheme for Youth. (HYAB)

- Regularise the EM District Ambassador Pilot Scheme, which engages EMs or designated persons to provide support and publicise welfare services for EMs. In addition, EMs with higher education attainment or professional qualifications will be invited to serve as social welfare volunteers. (LWB)
- Adopt the learning materials tailored for non-Chinese speaking (NCS) students, including the Youth Chinese Test and the Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi Chinese Proficiency Test, and continue to provide after-school Chinese language courses to NCS students from primary 1 to secondary 3. (EDB)
- Provide suitable learning materials for NCS students through the one-stop student self-learning platform for Chinese Language Education. (EDB)

Eliminate discrimination

- Continue to support the work of the Equal Opportunities Commission, review in a timely manner areas which require priority attention under the existing anti-discrimination ordinances, and step up promotion and public education, demonstrating the HKSAR Government's determination to strengthen the building of a harmonious and inclusive society. (CMAB)

Strengthen training for Care Team services

- To enhance the service quality of Care Teams, the Government will deploy resources to enhance training for Care Teams covering practical skills such as emergency knowledge, communication skills and health support. (HYAB)

Deepen collaboration and exchange with the Mainland in social services

- Work together with the Connecting Hearts in the social welfare sector to foster in-depth exchange and collaboration between the social welfare sectors of Hong Kong and the Mainland. (LWB)

Promote family building

- Organise the Hong Kong Excellent Family Awards again to promote good family values to the general public. (HYAB)

Deepen Healthcare System Reform

Strengthen primary healthcare services

- Upgrade the DHC Expresses in Wan Chai and Kwun Tong to DHCs starting from 2027, and continue to upgrade other DHC Expresses. (HHB)
- Implement the phased integration of Elderly Health Centre services from end-2026 onwards. Measures include more than doubling the service capacity for elderly health assessments, reducing the maximum waiting time by two-thirds, and providing similar services for underprivileged elderly through designated HA Family Medicine Clinics (FMCs). (HHB)
- To meet local demand, the HA will provide around 220 000 additional Family Medicine Out-patient service quotas each year starting from 2027, including around 10 000 quotas for evening out-patient service. (HHB)
- Enhance the provision of preventive screening and care services targeting the “three highs”, hepatitis B and women’s health for underprivileged groups at designated FMCs, and strengthen synergy between primary and secondary healthcare. (HHB)
- Strengthen training for primary healthcare professionals to enhance service quality. (HHB)
- Set up a coordination platform for public and private primary healthcare services to pilot the unified release of evening and public holiday consultation information for public and private out-patient clinics. (HHB)
- Roll out the Community Pharmacy Programme from end-2026, with the first phase covering four districts and progressively extending across the territory. In parallel, launch the Community Drug Formulary and gradually increase the number of drugs covered. (HHB)
- Starting from 2027, provide preventive primary oral healthcare services for specified high-risk groups at designated DHCs/DHC Expresses, and expand the Healthy Teeth Collaboration to provide outreach preventive oral healthcare services for residents of designated residential care homes for persons with disabilities. (HHB)

- Promulgate the “Life-course Health Promotion Strategy” and monitor local health data, encouraging the public to take charge of the primary responsibility for their own health and promoting population-wide health management across different life stages. (HHB)
- Expand the Pre-hospital Stroke Diversion Scheme to cover all hospital clusters in Kowloon within 2026, and further extend it to the Hong Kong Island Cluster in 2027. (HHB, SB)
- Implement the first phase of the Pre-hospital Chest Pain Diversion Scheme in the Hong Kong Island Cluster in 2027 to convey patients suspected of suffering from ST-segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction to designated hospitals for early treatment. (HHB, SB)

Enhance public healthcare system

- Leverage the King’s Park site vacated after the relocation of Queen Elizabeth Hospital to Kai Tak to develop Hong Kong’s first integrated ambulatory care hospital, the first phase of which will include: a high-capacity ambulatory cataract surgery centre, a high-capacity ambulatory radiology centre, and an ambulatory radiotherapy centre. (HHB)
- Promulgate the Second Hospital Development Plan within the current term of Government and take forward the projects in an orderly manner. (HHB)
- Continue to implement the Hong Kong Cancer Strategy: enhance diagnostic imaging capacity and apply AI to assist diagnosis and advanced laboratory testing; increase radiotherapy service capacity and expedite the introduction of new cancer drugs through the public healthcare fees and charges reform; refer stable and low-risk cancer survivors to continue follow-up in primary healthcare; and strengthen multi-disciplinary palliative care and end-of-life services. (HHB)
- The HA has set a target to shorten the 90th percentile waiting time for stable new cases first consultation in the specified specialist (Ear, Nose and Throat, Ophthalmology, Gynaecology, Medicine, Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Psychiatry, and Surgery) out-patient services by half in five years, with the waiting time of specified specialties to be reduced by 10% in 2027-28 in the first phase. (HHB)
- Through the strategy of “narrowing upstream, collaborating downstream, diverting midstream”, unnecessary referrals will be avoided and stable follow-up cases will be diverted to primary healthcare etc.. Expand also the multi-disciplinary integrated clinical services, optimise appointment arrangements, and continuously enhance service capacity. (HHB)
- The HA plans to extend some of the enhanced visiting arrangements to acute wards. (HHB)

Strengthen professional regulation of healthcare services

- Introduce a regulation to enhance the price transparency of private healthcare services into the Legislative Council (LegCo) by end-2026 and draw up codes of practice, setting out requirements on price information, budget estimates and billing statistics. (HHB)
- Actively advance the scrutiny of the Medical Registration (Amendment) Bill 2026 by the LegCo, with a view to reforming the Medical Council of Hong Kong (MCHK), and enhance the manpower and system support for the MCHK and other healthcare professional regulatory bodies. (HHB)
- The Institute for Medical Advancement and Clinical Excellence plans to publish clinical guidelines on the management of hyperlipidemia and percutaneous coronary intervention by end-2026. (HHB)

Continue to implement eHealth+

- Further facilitate the deposit of electronic health records by private healthcare providers, expand cross-boundary sharing of medical records, and enhance the nine core functions, including eMedication and eMedical Certificate. (HHB)

Press ahead with the establishment of the third medical school

- The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) is pressing full steam ahead with the establishment of the third medical school. The Medical Education and Research Complex at the Clear Water Bay campus will be completed by mid-2028 to admit the first cohort of students. (HHB)

- On using Kai Tak Hospital as the interim teaching hospital, the Government is exploring with the HKUST and the HA the teaching arrangements. (HHB)
- Press ahead with the integrated design and coordinated construction of the medical school campus and the integrated teaching and research hospital in San Tin University Town Area. (HHB)

Promote the development of inheritance and innovation in Chinese medicine

- The Chinese Medicine Hospital of Hong Kong (CMHHK), starting from end-2026, will launch 24-hour in-patient services, provide additional day beds, increase out-patient service capacity, introduce more special disease programmes and commence related research, and set up a clinical trial and research centre. (HHB)
- The CMHHK will provide clinical training opportunities for local students and more subsidised training posts for registered Chinese medicine practitioners. (HHB)
- Officially establish the International Consortium of Herb-Drug Interaction to promote research and clinical application of herb-drug interactions. (HHB)
- Roll out pilot out-patient services for special diseases at the Chinese Medicine Clinics cum Training and Research Centres based in all 18 districts. (HHB)
- Continue to develop HA's integrated Chinese-Western Medicine (ICWM) services, including regularising "knee osteoarthritis" pilot programme, expanding the ICWM services to day care services, and continuing to enhance the "cancer care" pilot programme. (HHB)
- Sponsor regional and international Chinese medicine conferences and exhibitions. (HHB)

Sustain tobacco control efforts

- Fully implement the duty stamp system by end-2027 to effectively distinguish duty-paid from duty-not-paid cigarettes, while introducing the plain packaging requirement on conventional smoking products at the same time. (HHB)

Promote mental health

- Continue to implement the Three-Tier School-based Emergency Mechanism in primary 4 to 6 on a trial basis in the 2026/27 school year and enhance the related support services, strengthening training for school professional to facilitate early identification of and support for students with higher suicidal risk. (EDB, LWB, HHB)
- Continue to provide teacher training on catering for students' mental health needs and organise programmes relating to teachers' physical and psychological well-being. (EDB)
- Set up an additional Integrated Community Centre for Mental Wellness in the Northern Metropolis (NM) to dovetail with population growth. (LWB)
- Enhance the functions of Cyber Youth Support Teams by strengthening their co-operation with schools and community networks to cater for the emotional and psychological needs of students, and conduct assessment and take follow-up actions immediately after receiving cases involving higher suicidal risk and students with emotional distress. (LWB)
- Extend the Healthy Mind Pilot Project to all existing DHCs before mid-2027, enhance frontline staff training, provide more timely assessments or referrals, organise more outreach activities, and step up promotion and publicity. (HHB)
- The PHC Commission will study various approaches, including public-private partnership, to encourage more cross-disciplinary professionals including family doctors to provide mental health services. (HHB)
- The Government has endorsed the framework for the Stepped Care Model on Mental Health submitted by the Advisory Committee on Mental Health. The next step is to carry out study for setting out competency standards and designing training courses for different mental health practitioners, coordinate distribution of duties among departments, and draw up details for full implementation. (HHB)
- The Advisory Committee on Mental Health will explore the possibility of setting up a mental health experience exhibition in urban area to step up promotion of mental health and eliminate social prejudice. (HHB)

- Fund a series of mental health support projects, through the Hong Kong Jockey Club “Chief Executive Community Project List”, to facilitate clear identification, early intervention and enhanced support. The projects are expected to benefit over 30 000 persons. (LWB)
- Launch a Mental Health Literacy Resource Package for Parents and organise parent education programmes relating to student mental health in the 2026/27 school year to further support schools in helping parents identify early and take care of students with mental health needs. (EDB)
- Attract more organisations and their staff to join the Mental Health Workplace Charter and encourage these organisations to optimise their staff training content. (HHB, LWB)

Enhance and Diversify the Housing System

Pursue land development

- Get ready around 2 500 hectares of “spade-ready sites” to build up the land reserve for meeting the demand for economic development and the community’s housing needs in the next decade (i.e. 2027-28 to 2036-37), with a view to retaining control over the supply of land. Of these sites, it is expected that some 1 400 hectares will be produced in the next five years, among which around 1 000 hectares will come from the NM. (DEVB)
- Continue to update annually the supply forecast of “spade-ready sites” to keep society informed of the land supply situation. (DEVB)

Supply of land for private housing development

- Continue to take account of the overall situation to determine the pace of land disposal, and co-ordinate other land supply sources to meet the housing demand according to the Long Term Housing Strategy in the next 10 years and other land requirements. (DEVB)

Release industrial land in urban areas

- Make reference to the Study on Utilisation of Existing Industrial Stock underway, to explore the release of more industrial land in the urban areas and to put forward recommendations by end-2026 including the way forward for the Revitalisation Scheme for Industrial Buildings. (DEVB)
- Continue to reinforce the advantages of Kowloon East as the second core business district in Hong Kong through the ongoing implementation of development proposals such as the Kwun Tong Action Area and Kowloon Bay Action Area, as well as the revitalisation of old industrial areas. (DEVB)

Urban renewal policy review

- To enable the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) to take forward redevelopment in a sustainable manner, the Development Bureau and the URA are conducting a policy review, with a view to putting forth specific recommendations for consultation within 2027. (DEVB)

Control construction costs

- Continue to streamline development control procedures, expedite construction processes and reduce costs for industries. (DEVB)
- Explore the extension of the central procurement model to cover other suitable and commonly-used construction materials such as water pipes, lowering construction costs for public works. (DEVB)
- The Building Technology Research Institute (BTRI) will review the second batch of construction standards and requirements, effectively improving the construction efficiency, shortening construction period and reducing project costs. (DEVB)
- Develop and pilot AI+Cost, an AI solution, to generate cost analyses and propose optimised designs by automatically extracting information from major cost data and design proposals of past related works projects, enhancing the efficiency of decision-making and cost-effectiveness of projects. It is planned for a roll-out within 2027 to further reduce construction costs. (DEVB)

- To enhance cost-effectiveness of public housing construction, the HKHA has completed the enhancement and expansion of its building materials database and will continue to update the database. Starting from December 2026, if contractors use building materials listed on the database, the vetting time will be shortened to one month. (HB)
- The HKHA is also conducting the benchmarking of Guobiao Standards with other international standards, and will incorporate comparable Guobiao Standards into the specifications of construction works for new works tenders starting from December 2026, enhancing efficiency and cost-effectiveness. (HB)
- For Occupation Permit (OP) application, the HKHA has conducted pre-OP inspections in at least half of the projects as planned to speed up the vetting process to within 10 working days, and will continue to implement such measure. (HB)

Increase public housing supply

- In the five years starting from 2027-28, public housing production will exceed 35 000 units per year on average, representing an increase of about 73% compared with the five-year period since the current-term Government took office. (HB)
- To complete 30 000 Light Public Housing (LPH) units before 2027-28, of which about 26 000 have largely been completed and intake has been progressively underway. The remaining some 4 000 units will be successively completed before end-March 2027. (HB)
- Continue to support NGOs in converting vacant residential buildings or non-residential buildings in urban areas into transitional housing. (HB)

Enhance subsidised sale flats

- The HKHA will continue to enhance the design of subsidised sale flats (SSF) to better meet the modern living style, including improving natural lighting, and adopting an open kitchen design in suitable units for two-to-three-person households. (HB)
- To encourage upward mobility along the housing ladder, we will shorten the alienation restriction period of SSF first put up for sale between 2022 and 2025 from 15 years to 10 years. (HB)

Eradicate substandard subdivided units and implement the Basic Housing Unit regime

- Starting from March 2027, conduct inspections and take enforcement and prosecution actions in an orderly manner against illegal letting of subdivided units (SDUs) with no registration and no recognition, and conduct joint operations with relevant departments to enhance deterrence. Rigorously combat illegal letting of substandard SDUs by owners or operators upon the expiry of the grace period in end-February 2030. (HB)
- Provide tenants in need with comprehensive and people-oriented support through District Service Teams in various districts, including assisting eligible tenants to apply for traditional public rental housing (PRH) and LPH, flexibly co-ordinating resources such as transitional housing and Hostels for Single Persons, providing them with temporary shelters, or helping them find alternative accommodations in the private market. (HB)

Improve building management

- Continue to implement the Scheme on Joint Property Management in districts with needs for two years starting from 2027-28, and continue to facilitate District Council (DC) members' relevant duties and exchanges through the newly formed Working Groups on Building Management under the DCs. (HYAB)
- Rolled out a pilot scheme to implement new inspection and testing procedures for handling water seepage problems in private buildings in mid-2026, enhancing investigation efficiency by leveraging technologies and promoting the resolution of related disputes among occupants through mediation. (EEB, DEVB)

Encourage the use of building technologies

- The HKHA will promote the use of Artificial Intelligence of Things System for logistics and transport in the tender exercises for new projects to enhance the efficiency and quality of modules. It will also adopt smart construction methods such as Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) and construction robotics to enhance construction efficiency and cost-effectiveness while effectively reducing water and electricity consumption and waste quantity of construction sites. (HB)

- The HKHA will identify more projects for applying the “Building Information Modelling-enabled Systematic Approach to Foundation Design”, saving about \$1 million for each domestic block on average. (HB)
- With the funding injection of \$1.4 billion in 2026 (comprising \$1 billion by the Government and \$400 million contribution by the CIC) to the Construction Innovation and Technology Fund (CITF), support wider adoption of innovative technologies by the construction industry especially among small and medium enterprises (SMEs). (DEVB)
- Multi-trade integrated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing was required to be adopted in suitable public works projects and repair and maintenance works in mid-2026. A one-stop integrated information platform was also launched to support the industry. (DEVB)
- Adopt an innovative framework policy of “progressive and agile implementation” to adopt various highly-effective AI technologies and construction robots in public works projects on a pilot basis, and having regard to the results as well as technological and market maturity, incorporate progressively such innovative technologies into the inventory for adoption in public works projects, accelerating the adoption of innovative construction technologies and driving a systematic transformation to “total smart construction”. (DEVB)
- The BTRi will formulate a series of technical requirements and guidelines on innovative technologies such as construction robots and MiC which, together with the introduction of national advanced technologies as well as the enhancement and application of local Research and Development (R&D), will facilitate the gradual establishment of a robust development ecosystem for innovative construction technologies. This will help Hong Kong secure a leading position in the global smart construction sector, and give full play to its role as a platform for the Mainland’s innovative construction technologies to go global. (DEVB)

- Continue to implement measures to strengthen the supply chain of MiC to foster the application of MiC technology in public and private sector projects, and consolidate existing MiC construction standards and requirements to help the industry effectively plan and smoothly implement MiC construction projects, consolidating Hong Kong’s leading position in the area of MiC and exploring new global opportunities for the MiC industry in Hong Kong and the GBA. (DEVB)
- The CIC will continue to provide no less than about 12 000 training places (including construction technology training) for skilled workers and about 4 000 construction technology training places for technicians and professionals in the academic years of 2026/27 and 2027/28 to enhance the training of local construction personnel. (DEVB)

Built heritage conservation

- Continue to implement diverse conservation initiatives with the additional allocation of \$1 billion to the Built Heritage Conservation Fund by the Government in 2026, of which \$700 million will be used to continue taking forward the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, consolidating the foundation of conserving historic buildings in Hong Kong. (DEVB)
- Continue to deepen collaboration and exchange between Hong Kong and the Mainland, in particular other GBA cities and Shanghai, covering areas such as conservation and revitalisation of historic buildings, archaeology, palaeontology, public education and engagement, and talent training, including co-organising exhibitions and exchanging exhibits, conducting joint studies, sending staff to undergo professional training and jointly organising forums. (DEVB)

Enhance Transport and Commuting Convenience

Transport infrastructure

- The Central Kowloon Bypass (Kowloon Bay Section) project will be completed within 2026, marking the full commissioning of Route 6 (including the Central Kowloon Bypass and the Tseung Kwan O - Lam Tin Tunnel). (TLB)

- Continue to take forward various road infrastructure projects, including Trunk Road T4 in Sha Tin, So Kwun Po North-South Link Road and widening of Yuen Long Highway (section between Lam Tei and Tong Yan San Tsuen). (TLB)
- Award the contracts for the smart and green mass transit system in Kai Tak within 2026 and the systems in East Kowloon and Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area (NDA) in 2027. The Kai Tak project and Phase 1 of the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen NDA project are targeted to be completed in 2031, and the East Kowloon project on or before 2033. (TLB)

Regulatory regime for ride-hailing services

- Openly invite platforms to apply for a ride-hailing service licence and permits will be issued to drivers and vehicles starting from the fourth quarter of 2026, providing the public with safe and compliant ride-hailing service. (TLB)
- Press ahead at full steam with the development of a ride-hailing vehicle data management system to monitor the compliance of operation, and comprehensively safeguard the data security. (TLB)
- Keep in view market development and collect relevant data for conducting dynamic assessment of supply and demand. (TLB)

Promote the use of automated parking systems

- The Transport Department will establish a one-stop coordination office to coordinate relevant departments on expediting the approval for automated parking system applications submitted by operators of short-term tenancy car parks. (TLB)

Promote healthy mobility

- To foster a healthy, vibrant, safe and inclusive travel environment and to reduce carbon emission, we will formulate legislative proposal for regulating the safe use of electric mobility devices, and take forward the formulation of design standards of arterial cycle tracks and ancillary facilities to lay the framework and foundation of constructing a “people-centric” green commuting network for NDAs and new towns. (TLB)

Deepen the Integrated Development of Culture, Sports and Tourism

Support Hong Kong’s film industry and promote “Film + Tourism”

- Conduct a comprehensive review of the Film Development Fund to attract more private investments to ensure sustainable development. (CSTB)
- Explore the provision of venues for construction of film sets to encourage local filming. (CSTB)
- The Cultural and Creative Industries Development Agency will set up the Support Unit for Non-local Film Productions to provide one-stop services for Mainland and overseas film crews filming in Hong Kong, attracting more quality movies to promote Hong Kong. (CSTB)
- The Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) will weave together classic Hong Kong films, district characteristics and local culture, including a route in Yau Ma Tei that integrates iconic scenes and location from classic Hong Kong police-and-crime films, complemented by authentic local night markets and dining experiences, to offer visitors an immersive experience of Hong Kong’s unique urban landscape and lifestyle. (CSTB)
- Develop the second phase of Yau Ma Tei Police Station: A Cinematic Journey to offer more immersive experiences of Hong Kong police-and-crime films, enabling both local and foreign visitors to savour more of Hong Kong’s cinematic creativity while further promoting film and district tourism. (CSTB)

Support the Kai Tak Sports Park and promote “Sports + Mega Events”

- Continue to leverage the strengths of the Kai Tak Sports Park (KTSP) as an essential infrastructure for maintaining Hong Kong as a centre for major sports events and developing sports as an industry, facilitating the KTSP to boost sports development and inject impetus into related industries such as recreation, entertainment and tourism, and also mega-event economy. (CSTB)
- Explore the redevelopment of the Victoria Park Centre Court and other ancillary facilities into an iconic all-weather multi-purpose venue for hosting larger-scale and higher-level sports event, as well as performance activities as required. (CSTB)

Training for sports executives

- Support the Hong Kong Sports Institute to introduce a new three-year Sports Executive Training Programme to provide transformation opportunities for and expand career ladder of retired athletes, at the same time helping to train professional management talents for the sports sector. (CSTB)

Promote Sports for All

- Enhance outdoor basketball facilities and the content of the Hong Kong Games to encourage members of the public to exercise regularly. (CSTB)

Participate in our country’s sports events and boost co-operation and exchanges

- Continue to actively send delegations or teams to participate in our country’s sports events and promote sports exchanges within the GBA, including supporting national sports associations (NSAs) in the organisation of GBA leagues. (CSTB)

Strengthen the governance of NSAs

- The Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China will, taking into account NSAs’ implementation of the Code of Governance promulgated earlier, issue certificates of compliance to NSAs meeting the governance standards. Future government funding will be linked to the compliance status so as to establish a fairer, more impartial and more transparent system for promoting sports development. (CSTB)

Support the work of the Hong Kong Tourism Board

- Regularise the additional funding provided for the Hong Kong Tourism Board’s (HKTb) hosting flagship events, enabling the HKTb to draw up and implement sustainable and forward-looking market promotion strategies in a more systematic manner. (CSTB)

Promote multi-destination tourism

- Continue to capitalise on various measures introduced by the Central Government to facilitate visits by foreign visitors to the Mainland, deepen collaboration with various Mainland provinces and municipalities, and continue to explore with the country additional immigration facilitations for international visitors. (CSTB)
- The HKTb will actively promote multi-destination travel itineraries to overseas visitors, partner with airlines to roll out relevant tourism products and promotional offers, and intensify publicity overseas. (CSTB)

Take forward “+ Tourism” Joint Initiatives

- “*Mega Events+Tourism*”: The HKTb will demarcate a year into the International Arts Season from February to May, the Chinese Arts Season from June to September, and the Festive Mega Events Season from October to February the following year, setting a mega event framework under these three themes to further promote “Mega Events + Tourism”. (CSTB)

- *“Finance+Tourism”*: The refurbishment of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) Connect Hall and the Museum of Finance, located in the hall of the HKEX, will be completed in 2027. The Government will link key financial landmarks around Central to create an urban landmark that showcases Hong Kong’s status as an international financial centre and its cultural appeal. (FSTB, CSTB)
- *“Industrial brand+Tourism”*: Continue to develop Hong Kong industrial brand tourism routes with different themes to promote more in-depth tour experiences. (CSTB)
- *“Ecological Conservation+Green Tourism”*: A trial online reservation system was launched for visitors going to the High Island Geo Trail-Po Pin Chau Section of the High Island Reservoir East Dam in Sai Kung during weekends, the Mid-Autumn Festival, and the National Day Golden Week from 5 September to 7 October 2026. A visitor cap is set to alleviate ecological carrying pressure while enhancing the visitor experience. We will review the trial outcome and formulate a long-term country park management strategy. (EEB)
- Implement the “Four Peaks” tourism project and continue to enhance the ancillary facilities in country parks. (EEB)
- Complete the remaining two sections of the Hing Chun Alliance Heritage Trail connecting Lai Chi Wo, Siu Tan, Sam A Tsuen, Ngau Shi Wu and So Lo Pun in 2027 to offer visitors an in-depth experience of rural culture. (EEB)
- Continue to promote countryside revitalisation through organising new in-depth cultural and eco-tour activities in the rural area around Yan Chau Tong under the Countryside Conservation Funding Scheme. (EEB)
- *“Heritage+Tourism”*: Upload more information on the Government’s website and step up publicity, enabling the trade to develop and promote signature tourism products. (DEVB, CSTB)

Ticket stub economy

- The HKTb will provide one-stop contact point services to connect event organisers, retail and catering associations and tourism-related organisations, fostering the development of a consumption chain that extends from the event venue to the community. (CSTB)

- The HKTb will enhance the digital platform of Discover Hong Kong, consolidate the ticket stub discounts of mega events hosted and promoted by the HKTb, and will also launch a new mobile application to facilitate both visitors’ access to, and merchants’ provision of, the said ticket stub offers. (CSTB)

Yacht economy

- Invite tenders in the first half of 2027 for the composite development project in Aberdeen comprising a marina, recreational facilities and residential development, and for the yacht bay project under the Airport City “SKYTOPIA”. (TLB, DEVB)
- The first northbound travel of yacht from Hong Kong set sail in June 2026, while efforts are being made to implement the southbound travel of Guangdong yachts to Hong Kong, giving impetus to cross-boundary leisure consumption. (TLB)
- Extend the online short-term training courses to overseas, enabling yacht masters of visiting yachts to obtain qualifications from abroad for navigating in Hong Kong waters. (TLB)
- Propose transforming the sites around Hung Hom Station and its waterfront areas into a new harbourfront landmark complemented by yacht berthing facilities, and commence the statutory planning procedures in end-2026. (DEVB)
- Commence the statutory planning procedures in end-2026 for the comprehensive development of the ex-Lamma Quarry site for tourism and recreation, low-density residential developments, and yacht berthing facilities. (DEVB)

Renewal of Central

- Phase 1 of the Lan Kwai Fong Streetscape Beautification Works will be gradually completed from October 2026 onwards. Consultancy study for Phase 2 will commence soon. (DEVB)
- Encourage private developers to participate in the renewal of Central, to give Hong Kong’s first-generation central business district an uplift while preserving its heritage. (DEVB)

Muslim tourism

- The HKTB will extend the Hong Kong Restaurants Halal Certification Funding Scheme to end-2027, encouraging the industry to provide more Muslim-friendly food options. (CSTB)

Facilitate the operation of home-stay lodgings on outlying islands

- To further facilitate the operation of home-stay lodgings on outlying islands, the Home Affairs Department, when processing guesthouse licence applications in relation to buildings of three storeys or less on outlying islands, will remove barriers by exempting consideration of use restrictions on guesthouse purposes in the deeds of mutual covenant of the buildings. (HYAB)

Enhance the professional standards of tourism practitioners

- To increase the supply of professional tourist guides, the Travel Industry Authority has launched the “specialised tourist guide licensing programme” in 2026 for Geopark guides and reception services. The programme will be expanded to cover other fields, such as in-depth tours focusing on history and culture, at the next stage. (CSTB)

Enhance passenger clearance and visitor experience in Hong Kong

- The Immigration Department (the ImmD) launched a new mobile application, “Go Hong Kong”, on 16 September 2026, for eligible frequent visitors to enrol for the e-Channel self-service immigration service in advance prior to their arrival in Hong Kong. (SB)
- The ImmD will launch the Automated Transportation On-board Clearance System (“AUTOS”) Pilot Scheme at the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port in December 2026, utilising AI and facial recognition technology to automatically verify the identities of registered eligible cross-boundary private car drivers and passengers, enabling “contactless on-board clearance”. (SB)

- The redeveloped Huanggang Port is expected to come into operation in the fourth quarter of 2026, implementing the co-location arrangement and the novel “collaborative inspection and joint clearance” mode to significantly enhance passenger clearance experience and efficiency. (SB)
- The SB will launch the “Easy Boundary” 2.0 in the fourth quarter of 2026 by introducing real-time image function and utilising AI technology to assess the real-time situation of immigration clearance at land boundary control points. (SB)
- Arrange for members of the Immigration Department Youth Leaders Corps to introduce Hong Kong to incoming visitors and students, and tell the good stories of Hong Kong through the programme “HK Navigators: The Imm-sider’s Story” from 2026 to 2027. (SB)

Connect and enhance the Victoria Harbourfront

- Through the “Study on East Kowloon Harbourfront Trail” launched in March 2026, explore to further connect and enhance the Kowloon harbourfront with short, medium, and long-term measures for linking currently disconnected harbourfront areas. Roll out short-term enhancement projects once they are ready and in phases starting from Q4 2026. (DEVB)
- Explore carrying out minor enhancement works at the Cheung Sha Wan Wholesale Food Market in phases starting from 2027 in order to provide additional harbourfront space at the existing vacant pier and set up pedestrian facilities on the market’s podium, connecting the harbourfront sections from the West Kowloon Cultural District to Cheung Sha Wan. (DEVB)
- Apply, for the first time, the streamlined mechanism for harbour reclamation under the amended Protection of the Harbour Ordinance (Cap. 531) to construct an offshore boardwalk via small-scale reclamation along New Praya, Kennedy Town. Commence public consultation on the detailed design and the reclamation application process in the first half of 2027, striving to commence works in the second half of 2028 and complete by 2031. (DEVB)

- Organise more spectacular mega events at harbourfront sites, including the Central Harbourfront Event Space, to boost the vibrancy and international visibility of the Victoria Harbour. (DEVB)

Support the Local Economy

Support small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

- Expand the geographical scope of the Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund) to cover Uzbekistan and Qatar, to encourage SMEs to tap into emerging markets. (CEDB)
- The Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation will extend the 20 free buyer credit checks for one year until September 2027 and continue to cover all of its insured markets. (CEDB)
- The Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) will strengthen the services of E-commerce Express to promote the awareness and expand the coverage of Hong Kong brands in the e-commerce markets outside Hong Kong. (CEDB)
- The Trade and Industry Department will coordinate with the “Four-in-One” Integrated Services of SME Centres to organise branding seminars and workshops to assist SMEs in formulating brand development strategies. (CEDB)
- Continue to encourage more government departments and organisations, including the Business Registration Office of Inland Revenue Department and the eMPF Platform, to connect to the Hong Kong Monetary Authority's (HKMA) Commercial Data Interchange (CDI), and explore the feasibility of automated payment process, so as to enable banks to conduct business registration search through CDI, enhancing efficiency in credit approval. With CDI, enterprises' borrowing costs have been reduced by an average of 36 basis points. (FSTB)
- The HKMA in collaboration with the Shanghai Data Bureau, will launch a pilot project on trade data connectivity through CDI in 2026 to help Hong Kong SME traders exporting goods from the Mainland obtain financing. (FSTB)
- The CDI will be progressively connected to digital infrastructures such as the Transport and Logistics Bureau's Port Community System (PCS), the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau's Trade Single Window and the upcoming Digital Corporate Identity starting from 2026, to facilitate banks' access to relevant data for use as reference for trade financing, and to assist SMEs in lowering financing costs. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will combine SME trade flow and capital flow data for banks' multi-dimensional credit assessment, unlocking greater trade finance availability for SMEs. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will also explore connections between the CDI and ASEAN's electronic port systems, as well as means to facilitate banks' access to more ASEAN trade data, enabling banks to gain a fuller view of enterprises' supply chain network and reducing manual banking procedures in relation to transaction monitoring and trade finance applications, providing more convenient services for SMEs and stepping up trade finance approval process by banks. (FSTB)
- The HKMA will work closely with the banking industry to improve the overall governance framework and operational stability of the Commercial Credit Reference Agency, enhance its competitiveness in the market, and foster its sustainable development. (FSTB)
- To facilitate enterprises (especially SMEs) in improving their cash flows, the standard terms of government non-works contracts will be relaxed such that enterprises carrying out government contracts could leverage such to obtain financing from financial institutions. (FSTB)
- From 2026 onwards, the Hong Kong Technology and Innovation Support Centre will provide qualitative patent evaluation service and offer funding support to SMEs for conducting valuation of intellectual property assets to facilitate relevant financing. (CEDB)
- The funding ceiling of “Easy BUD” applications under the BUD Fund has been raised to \$150,000 since June 2026. (CEDB)
- The Future Innovative Logistics Acceleration Scheme will provide subsidies to SMEs for using innovative logistics technology solutions to interface with the PCS. (TLB)

- Continue to strengthen the e-commerce marketing capabilities of SMEs through the support services provided by the HKTDC, including organising the Hong Kong Shopping Festival in the Mainland and ASEAN countries. (CEDB)
- Adopted the new “joint-vetting” mechanism and streamlined procedures to process applications for outside seating accommodation of restaurants since April 2026, substantially shortening the approval time and facilitating business operations. (EEB)

Report on manpower projection

- Release a report on the mid-term update of the Manpower Projection within September 2026. (LWB)

Safeguard the environment for fair competition

- Consult the LegCo within 2026, on a legislative proposal for endowing the Competition Commission with compulsory information gathering powers for conducting market assessments. This will ensure that the Commission may, upon having reasonable cause to suspect that any feature in the market affects competition, require enterprises to submit information and identify potential issues, maintaining a fair competitive environment. (CEDB)

Promote textiles and fashion brands

- Continue to introduce new elements to the Hong Kong Fashion Fest, actively expand co-operation and exchanges with fashion exhibitions in the Mainland and overseas, and strengthen collaboration between the fashion design and textile industries to promote the development of Hong Kong’s fashion brands, developing Hong Kong into a fashion hub in Asia. (CSTB)
- The Hong Kong Design Centre, which has completed the re-structuring of its Board of Directors, will focus on assisting SMEs in the design sectors in enhancing their product and brand design services, facilitating collaboration and interface between the local industry and enterprises in the Mainland and overseas, and driving Hong Kong’s design industry to go global. (CSTB)

- The Hong Kong Design Centre will launch a new design incubation programme to provide start-up incubation and in-depth nurturing for design companies based on their developmental stages and potential, assisting them in opening up business opportunities and markets. (CSTB)
- Expand the Business of Design Week (BODW) and re-brand BODW in the City as DESIGN@HKG, leveraging the international design conference to host more design-themed district activities, fostering greater creative atmosphere. (CSTB)

Promote the development of the agriculture and fisheries industries

- Offer financial and technical support to the industry for developing deep-sea mariculture, with a target to increase local mariculture production to about 2 000 tonnes within five years; and set up a Fish Processing Centre in collaboration with the Fish Marketing Organization within 2027 to lead the industry in developing secondary production and to drive industrial upgrading. (EEB)
- Promote the modernisation and intensification of the livestock industry, by completing site formation works within 2026 for the construction of the first modernised and environmental-friendly multi-storey pig farm in Sheung Shui by the selected organisation; and assist the organisation in finalising the design and financial arrangements in 2027. (EEB)
- Continue to take forward the development of the First Stage of Agricultural Park Phase 2. The Modernised Techno-Agricultural Park, established through a public-private partnership, has been gradually leasing land to farmers. (EEB)
- Further promote the development of leisure farming and fisheries, including launching the “Fish enJoy” Scheme (fishing vessels), setting up an integrated website for leisure farming and fisheries as well as ecological resources, providing financial and technical support and stepping up publicity and promotion. (EEB)
- Continue to promote modernised urban farming, including plans to launch the second pilot project at Laguna Park in Kwun Tong, and reserve space in the Tin Shui Wai Public Market under construction for setting up modernised hydroponic farms-cum-stalls. (EEB).

- Launch the Smart Farms Navigation Scheme in 2027 to provide several smart greenhouses in phases at the Tai Lung Experimental Station, which will be leased to the sector for modernised crop production. (EEB)

Promote innovation in municipal services

- Lead an inter-departmental working group to explore alternative use of vacated market spaces (e.g. community facilities). (EEB)
- Continue to take forward the three new public market projects in Tin Shui Wai, Tseung Kwan O and Kwu Tung North NDA, which are expected to be completed progressively over the next two years; at the same time, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department also plans to try out the more agile single-operator model in individual new public markets, whereby operators enjoy greater flexibility in adjusting operating strategies to better meet public needs. (EEB)
- Stall enhancement will become priorities under the Market Modernisation Programme to enhance customer experience, including the Yue Wan Market Cooked Food Centre and Mong Kok Cooked Food Market where such enhancement works are under way. (EEB)
- Establish a Welfare Information Sharing E-platform in phases for integration of social welfare data from relevant government departments and NGOs and utilise AI to facilitate early identification of high-risk individuals or families for early intervention and targeted response. Initiate trial of data integration and analysis involving selected government departments and NGOs in the first half of 2027. (LWB)
- Run “Community Dining Hall” in Integrated Children and Youth Services Centres during non-peak hours to provide affordable and nutritious meals to elderly singletons and doubletons, persons with disabilities (PWDs), carers, children with special needs and their families, encouraging them to integrate into the community while giving social welfare organisations the opportunity to identify their needs and offer assistance. (LWB)
- Introduce “Wellness-on-Wheels” (WoW) to reach out to elderly persons and their carers residing in aged buildings (“three-nil” buildings in particular) via mobile service vehicles and offer neighbourhood services such as minor home repairs, basic check-ups and rehabilitation training. (LWB)
- Spearhead the establishment of a matching platform to institutionalise tripartite collaboration among the Government, the business sector and the community in supporting the disadvantaged. The platform will enable the matching of resources from family offices and the business sector with community social welfare projects. The first round of matching will be arranged within 2026. (LWB)
- Explore with HKEX to provide listed companies with further guidance on the preparation of environmental, social and governance reports, encouraging listed companies to actively engage in community and charitable activities. (LWB, FSTB)
- Continue to organise more experiential and training programmes on I&T and AI for children and young people from grassroots families to narrow the digital divide. (LWB)
- Launch the fifth cohort of the Strive and Rise Programme by end-2026. (CSO, LWB)

Food safety

- Conduct public consultation on amendments to the Sweeteners in Food Regulations, followed by preparation of the subsidiary legislation. (EEB)

Strengthen Protection of People’s Livelihoods

Targeted support

- Two more Community Living Rooms (CLRs) are anticipated to be launched by end-2026. Together with the existing 16 CLRs, collectively they are estimated to serve approximately 10 000 SDU households. Where feasible, more CLRs will be set up in districts in need through tripartite collaboration among the Government, the business sector and the community. (LWB)

- Launch a three-year Pilot Scheme for Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Households Transitioning to Working Family Allowance Scheme in October 2026 with cash incentives to encourage Comprehensive Social Security Assistance households to migrate to the Working Family Allowance Scheme, promoting continuous employment and self-reliance. (LWB)

Support carers

- Increase the amount of allowance under the Scheme on Living Allowance for Carers of Elderly Persons from Low-income Families and the Scheme on Living Allowance for Low-income Carers of Persons with Disabilities by 10% to \$3,300 per month. It is expected to benefit more than 10 000 low-income families. (LWB)
- Enhance the automated operation of the Carer Support Data Platform while continuously expand its coverage; strengthen medical-social collaboration to provide emergency support according to care recipients' needs when carers are hospitalised. (LWB, HHB)
- Optimise the system of the Designated Hotline for Carer Support and enhance its service efficacy. (LWB)
- Increase the manpower of District Support Centres for PWDs to enhance their functions in the early identification of and support for high-risk carers, and strengthen collaboration with stakeholders to establish a more robust community support network for high-risk households. (LWB)
- Starting from April 2027, regularise the Pilot Scheme on Training for Foreign Domestic Helpers (FDHs) in Elderly Care and the Pilot Scheme on Training FDHs in Care for PWDs to continue enhancing the basic caregiving skills and knowledge of FDHs in looking after frail elderly persons and PWDs through training, improving quality of life of elderly persons and PWDs at home, and alleviating carers' pressure. (LWB)

Support PWDs and persons in rehabilitation

- Provide about 460 additional places for day, residential and pre-school rehabilitation services. (LWB)

Protect children

- Closely monitor the implementation of the Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance which took effect in January 2026 to ensure the adequate and effective provision of supportive measures, as well as to follow up relevant cases promptly. (LWB)
- Closely monitor service implementation across the four Community Parents and Children Centres to ensure that the families and children concerned receive suitable and effective services. (LWB)

Support students with special needs

- Strive to increase the quotas for pre-school rehabilitation services, and exempt kindergarten children with special needs from going through the Central Waiting List so that they can receive support earlier through personalised services co-designed by their kindergartens and multi-disciplinary service teams. (LWB)
- Launch the "Enhanced Support for Students with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder" Project in the 2026/27 school year and pilot the Project for three years starting from the 2027/28 school year, to provide small group training and other support services for students with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder studying in public sector ordinary primary and secondary schools, thereby enhancing their performance in behavioural, social and learning adaptation. (EDB)

Enhance Labour Protection

Combat illegal employment

- Strengthen the functions of the Inter-departmental Task Force against Illegal Employment and review the membership of the task force in a dynamic manner. (SB)
- Appoint industry representatives from specific sectors as "Anti-Illegal Employment Ambassadors" to assist in intelligence collection and stepping up publicity and education. (SB)
- Leverage technology to enhance the effectiveness of "cyber patrol" and intelligence collection. (SB)

- Review the penalty for illegal employment and strive for courts to impose sentences with greater deterrent effect. (SB)
- Enhance inter-departmental joint operations to combat illegal employment in a targeted manner. (SB, LWB)

Stringent vetting of applications for limited supplementary labour

- Closely and dynamically monitor the employment situation, and include more industries and posts in the Tier 2 vetting mechanism of the Enhanced Supplementary Labour Scheme (ESLS) as appropriate. (LWB)
- Actively investigate and follow up on cases of suspected violations of ESLS requirements, and impose administrative sanctions on non-compliant employers. (LWB)
- Develop a new digital application platform for ESLS with enhanced data collection and analysis, so as to strengthen the monitoring of applicant employers' compliance. (LWB)
- Continue to monitor and utilise the Labour Importation Scheme for the Construction Sector and talent admission schemes as supplementary measures to alleviate manpower shortage on the premise of safeguarding the priority for local employment. (DEVB)

Formulate new legislation to strengthen protection for delivery workers

- Formulate a new legislation to provide digital platform workers engaging in food and goods delivery services with statutory compensation for injuries at work. (LWB)

Strengthen labour support and enhance occupational safety and health

- Continue to fund private works projects through the CITF on the use of innovative construction methods and new technologies, including the adoption of Smart Site Safety System. (DEVB)

- Adjust the levels of compensation under the Employees' Compensation Ordinance, the Pneumoconiosis and Mesothelioma (Compensation) Ordinance and the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) Ordinance in accordance with the established mechanism, thereby providing better protection for employees injured at work, those suffering from occupational diseases and families of deceased employees. The new levels of compensation are expected to take effect in mid-2027. (LWB)
- Implement the annual review mechanism of the Statutory Minimum Wage (SMW) by adopting the established formula, with the next SMW rate expected to take effect on 1 May 2027. (LWB)
- Continue to promote the Good Employer Charter to encourage and recognise employers' adoption of good human resource management and family-friendly employment practices, fostering harmonious labour relations. (LWB)
- Closely monitor occupational safety and health in the construction industry; continuously refine inspection and enforcement strategies, publicity and promotion as well as education and training; raise employers' and employees' safety and law-abiding awareness; and actively leverage innovative technologies and AI to improve work effectiveness. (LWB)

Enhance the Mandatory Provident Fund System

- Introduce an amendment bill into the LegCo by end-2026 to enhance the process of recovering default Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) contributions from employers, and increase the flexibility for trustees and relevant service providers in relation to the investment and management of MPF funds. (FSTB)
- Implement Phase One of MPF "Full Portability" by end-2026 to benefit employees whose employment commences on or after 1 May 2025, and introduce an amendment bill into the LegCo in mid-2027 on the implementation of Phase Two Proposal of MPF "Full Portability" to benefit employees whose employment commenced before 1 May 2025. (FSTB)

- Complete the review of the Index-Tracking Collective Investment Schemes approved by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority by end-2026, and consult stakeholders on a legislative proposal to improve the regulatory framework. (FSTB)

Encourage re-employment

- Continue to implement the Re-employment Allowance Pilot Scheme and announce the results of the scheme's mid-term review by end-2026 to facilitate refinement of further measures to encourage re-employment. (LWB)

Concerted Efforts to Build a Thriving, Age-friendly Society

Foster a sense of security among the elderly

- Increase the number of Community Care Service Vouchers for the Elderly by 2 000 to 18 000. (LWB)
- Increase the number of Residential Care Service Vouchers for the Elderly by 1 000 to 8 000. (LWB)
- Set up five new subsidised day-care facilities for the elderly, providing about 200 service places in total. (LWB)
- Set up five new Neighbourhood Elderly Centres to support the elderly's integration into the community. These facilities are expected to serve some 5 000 persons annually. (LWB)
- Set up three new residential care homes for the elderly (RCHEs), providing about 400 residential care places in total. (LWB)
- Provide newly built government RCHE premises for self-financed operation by the sector on a pilot basis, allowing operators greater flexibility in offering diversified residential care services for the elderly. (LWB)
- Continue to expand the Residential Care Services Scheme in Guangdong by identifying more RCHEs in Mainland cities in the GBA to join the Scheme, providing more RCHE options for Hong Kong elderly persons. (LWB)
- Explore ways to further enhance the Incentive Scheme to Encourage Provision of RCHE Premises in New Private Developments, such as allowing developers to use part of the floor area exempted from gross floor area calculation to provide day care facilities for the elderly. (LWB)
- Provide newly built government day care facilities for the elderly for self-financed operation by the sector on a pilot basis, allowing operators greater flexibility in offering day care and support services for the elderly in response to market demand. The first project is located in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O. We plan to invite interested operators to submit proposals in the fourth quarter of 2026 for service commencement in the second half of 2027. (LWB)
- Provide additional resources for subvented RCHEs for three years for providing end-of-life care services. (LWB)
- Explore extending the service points to cover the "community health centres" operated by the medical institutions under the Elderly Health Care Voucher Greater Bay Area Pilot Scheme, and including additional pilot medical institutions. (HHB)
- With reference to the existing regime for admitting FDHs, admit foreign domestic carers with more advanced training and experience in elderly care on a pilot basis to meet the care needs of elderly persons living at home. (LWB)
- Since January 2026, pilot arrangements have been launched for the Integrated Discharge Support Programme for Elderly Patients to better identify high-risk discharged elderly persons and in need of social welfare service support, and refer them to social welfare service units for follow-up. Additional resources will be provided to subvented elderly centres from January 2027 to enhance the support for high-risk elderly persons and carers. (LWB)
- Since the launch of the Special Scheme to Import Care Workers for Residential Care Homes (RCHs) in June 2023, around 13 000 quotas had been approved as at end June 2026, including new quotas and contract renewal quotas, relieving the manpower shortage in RCHs and enhancing their service quality. (LWB)

- Amend relevant RCH regulations to establish a new professional rank of health and care practitioners (HCPs) for the social welfare sector. The first cohort of the professional diploma programme for HCPs will be launched in the fourth quarter of 2026. (LWB)

Promote a sense of worthiness among the elderly

- Launch a three-year “Young-Old Mentorship Programme”, with the establishment of a mutual support network for young-olds with vitality and skills to make the most of their abilities, share their experience, integrate into society, while enhancing their sense of self-worth and enjoying active ageing. (LWB)
- Collaborate with Octopus Cards Limited to launch the mobile version of JoyYou Card by end-2026, offering the elderly persons an option to enjoy the “\$2 flat rate or 80 per cent discount” concession without a physical card; and explore making better use of the mobile platform in disseminating useful information to the elderly persons via push notifications. (LWB)

Continuously build a gerontechnology ecosystem

- The HKHA will launch a pilot scheme to introduce suitable household gerontechnology equipment to singleton elderly persons and all-elderly households of advanced years in selected public housing estates with a higher elderly population, gradually extending the scheme to other public housing estates. (HB)
- Earmark \$100 million to launch the Gerontechnology Promotion Scheme for encouraging and supporting local technology enterprises to proactively develop elderly care products and solutions, accelerating product optimisation for the benefit of the people of Hong Kong. (ITIB)

- The Government injected an additional \$1 billion into the Innovation and Technology Fund for Application in Elderly and Rehabilitation Care (the Fund) in 2024-25, and expanded its scope to cover technology products suitable for household use, allowing eligible organisations to apply for the procurement of suitable products for lending to elderly persons, PWDs and their carers for use at home. As at end July 2026, the Fund had allocated about \$1 billion to subsidise approximately 2 200 elderly and rehabilitation service units in procuring or renting over 30 000 technology products. (LWB)

Build a Green and Liveable City

Zero-carbon energy

- Press ahead with the reclamation project in Tseung Kwan O Area 132 for the accommodation of new strategic electricity facilities, and explore options of transmitting electricity to Hong Kong with relevant Mainland counterparts and the two power companies, aiming to increase the share of zero-carbon energy in the fuel mix for electricity generation from about 25% at present to between 60% to 70% by 2035 and achieving net-zero electricity generation by 2050. (EEB)

Development of hydrogen energy

- Plan to submit the relevant subsidiary legislation under the Gas Safety (Amendment) Ordinance 2025 to the LegCo in 2026 to set out the implementation details for regulating the hydrogen supply chain, bolstering investors' confidence in developing related businesses. (EEB)

Enhance waste reduction and recycling

- The I · PARK2 project has commenced, with the target of being operational in the early 2030s, moving towards “Zero Landfill”. (EEB)
- Upgrade the Recycling Stores under GREEN@COMMUNITY into 24-hour smart self-service facilities in phases. The first facility will commence operation by end-2026 and the rest will be completed in 2027. (EEB)

- Gradually increase the number of smart recycling bins from about 140 sets to about 3 000 sets starting in mid-2027, and consolidate the GREEN@COMMUNITY facilities into a district-based recycling network. (EEB)
- Achieve “one bin per block” in PRH estates across the territory by end-2026 as scheduled, and increase the number of food waste smart recycling bins by 600 to approximately 2 500 in the first quarter of 2028. (EEB)
- Continue to support local development of green technology, promoting the transformation of R&D outcomes into commercially valuable technologies or products. This includes assisting two local start-ups in setting up production lines at EcoPark, Tuen Mun to upcycle recyclables into core materials for electricity-free cooling products and acoustic metamaterial products respectively. (EEB)

Promote the popularisation of electric vehicles

- Facilitate the application of innovative charging technologies, including megawatt-level flash charging and battery swapping to be adopted in Hong Kong. (EEB)
- Collaborate with the National Energy Administration to construct the first ChaoJi charging technology demonstration station in Hong Kong in 2027, showcasing its compatibility with the national (GB) and European (IEC) charging standards. (EEB)
- Promote the adoption of electric commercial vehicles (e-CVs) in a pragmatic manner. A working group has been set up to explore the introduction of suitable vehicle types for public light buses first, while at the same time promote the use of mobile charging robots to offer a more flexible quick charging solution for e-CVs. (EEB)

Promote animal care and control

- Consult the LegCo by end-2026 on legislative proposals to step up efforts to combat cruelty to animals and the illegal possession or use of hunting appliances, etc. and strive to complete the legislative amendments in 2027. (EEB)

- Review the provisions on pet ownership and control under the Dangerous Dogs Regulation, etc. to further optimise the regulatory framework. (EEB)
- Enhance publicity and education on proper care of animals by pet owners. (EEB)

Align with the national biodiversity strategy in a proactive manner

- Implement the priority actions outlined in the Hong Kong Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan 2035, continue to promote habitat conservation and establish cross-boundary collaboration on biodiversity infrastructure and data sharing etc.. (EEB)
- Encourage collaboration between different sectors in Hong Kong and their counterparts in the GBA to engage in the mainstreaming of biodiversity, and showcase Hong Kong’s practices and experience in ecological conservation on international information platforms within 2027. (EEB)
- Commence the first phase of construction for the Sam Po Shue Wetland Conservation Park in 2027 for promoting wetland conservation, eco-education and eco-recreation as well as the modernisation of aquaculture industry. The construction is expected to be completed in 2031. (EEB)
- Take forward the designation of Sharp Island Marine Park, strengthen the conservation of coral communities and conserve biodiversity and overall fisheries resources. (EEB)
- Commence legislative amendments to the Wild Animals Protection Ordinance (Cap. 170) to strengthen the protection of cetaceans appearing in Hong Kong waters. (EEB)
- Jointly establish an ecological corridor with the Guangdong Province and the Shenzhen Municipality to protect ecosystems and enhance their ecological functions, while supporting the conservation of relevant and migratory species. (EEB)

Continue to promote the development of “Beautiful Bays”

- Continue to improve the quality of marine ecological environment, striving to include Hong Kong’s Port Shelter in the list of national “Beautiful Bays” in 2027 and further promoting the development of “Beautiful Bays”. (EEB)

Strive towards carbon neutrality

- Extend the carbon audit practice applicable to government buildings to government infrastructure progressively to further enhance the Government’s carbon management. The Government will review the relevant internal circulars and guidelines to assist and encourage government departments to conduct carbon audits for major government infrastructure, including water treatment works, sewage treatment facilities, fresh water and salt water pumping facilities, road lighting systems and ventilation systems at public transport interchanges. (EEB)

Underground common utility tunnels

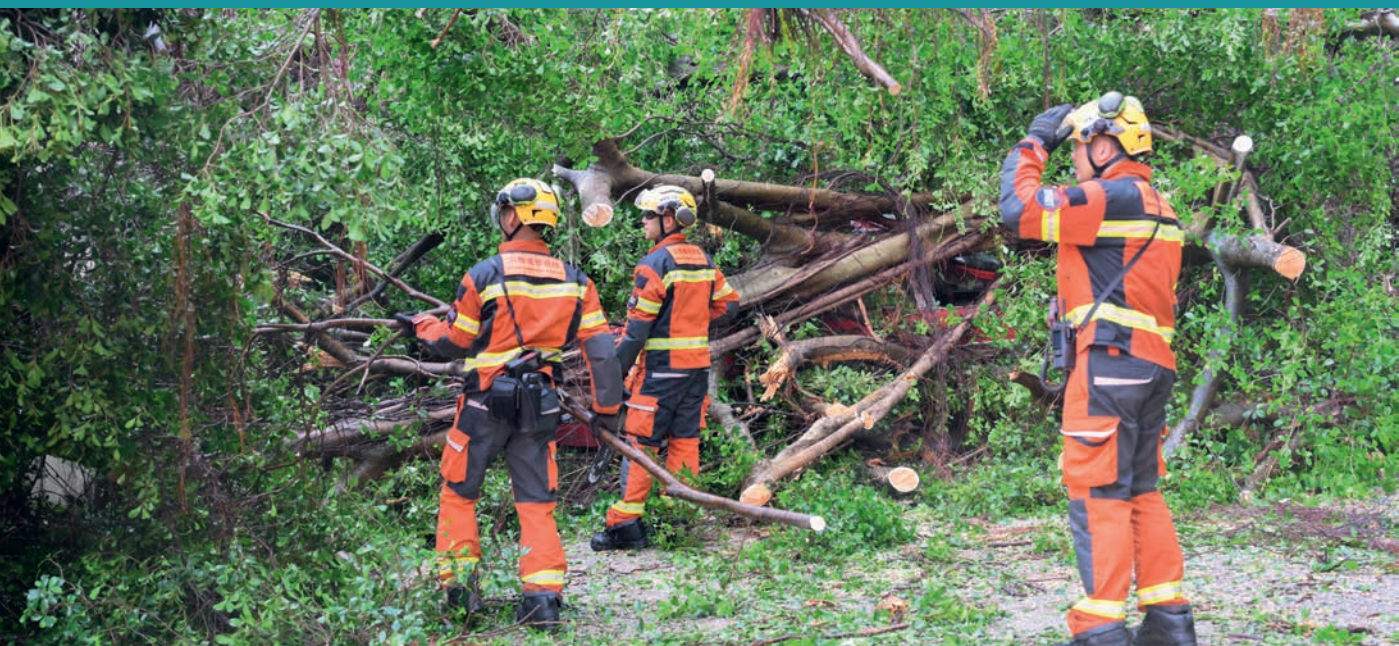
- Select suitable major roads in NDAs on a pilot basis for the design and construction of underground common utility tunnels to accommodate appropriate utilities, enabling inspection and maintenance to be carried out therein without the need for excavation and road works in the future. Real-time sensor monitoring systems and AI technologies will also facilitate the detection and identification of abnormal conditions, issuance of alerts, so as to enable early inspection and maintenance. (DEVB)

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Uphold a Reformist Mindset and Adopt a Holistic Approach to Development and Security







Background

The current-term Government is committed to a “result-oriented” approach, raising governance efficacy while being bold in pursuing reform and innovation. We will focus on action and delivering results, ensuring that policy measures are effectively implemented. In the World Competitiveness Yearbook 2026, Hong Kong continued to rank second globally in the “Government efficiency” category. This affirms the effectiveness of our policies, while also recognising the professionalism of our civil service.

The Government will enhance the city’s governance and strengthen disaster prevention, mitigation and response capabilities. In digital infrastructure, the Government will develop an “AI City Brain” integrated city management system. Through big data analytics, departments will receive real-time information, improving their day-to-day city management and handling of emergencies. We will also launch a water supply network upgrading programme to accelerate the handling of aged water mains and upgrade the system.

The Government will also improve governance in district level, optimising public services and social governance in a data-driven approach. We will deepen reforms, establish professional and effective management teams and operating systems, and elevate the overall efficacy of governance, with a view to delivering tangible benefits to the public.

Uphold a Reformist Mindset and Adopt a Holistic Approach to Development and Security

Enhance City Governance and Strengthen Disaster Prevention, Mitigation and Response Capabilities

Set up an “AI City Brain” integrated city management system

- Set up a Task Force on the “AI City Brain” System, led by the Chief Secretary for Administration (CS) with members from bureaux including the Security Bureau (SB), the Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau, the Development Bureau (DEVB), and the Transport and Logistics Bureau, to develop the “AI City Brain” system. (CSO, SB, ITIB and relevant bureaux)
- Integrate the digital infrastructure of the SB’s Emergency Monitoring and Support Centre into the “AI City Brain” system in the first phase to provide early warnings of risks and trend forecasts powered by artificial intelligence (AI) analysis for improving inter-departmental collaboration in response to extreme weather, major incidents, and the daily maintenance of public order, with a view to creating a comprehensive and integrated city management system. (CSO, SB, ITIB and relevant bureaux)
- Upgrade the Common Spatial Data Infrastructure (CSDI), and improve the 3D Digital Map by collecting and making use of more Building Information Modelling data, facilitating the application and development of the digital twin city. (DEVB)
- The Hong Kong Police Force will build a new “Inter-departmental Major Incident Platform” to support the exchange of real-time data from all emergency response units when handling major public incidents, enabling more comprehensive information on casualties and missing persons; and making use of AI technology to expedite understanding regarding the circumstances of those affected by an incident and provide timely support. (SB)
- The Transport Department (TD) will study the setting up of a traffic management platform using AI and big data to access real-time traffic information and enable relevant departments and public transport operators to formulate their contingency plans during extreme weather or major events. Aberdeen has been chosen as the first pilot site for the platform’s launch of its function related to extreme weather in 2027, and its remaining functions in 2028. Its scope of application will also be progressively extended to other areas. (TLB)
- The DEVB will expand the cross-departmental, smart drone management platform (“SmartAERO”) to strategic regions throughout Hong Kong with the support of beyond-visual-line-of-sight inspections, automated surveillance and AI data analysis, speeding up the response to emergencies such as landslides, flooding and fallen trees and helping to enforce the targeting of unauthorised building works and assist in monitoring public works site safety. The data will be consolidated in the Common Operational Picture for rapid analysis with the use of AI tools, strengthening the cross-departmental co-ordination of emergency response and the deployment of resources. (DEVB)

Enhance climate adaptation and resilience

- The Climate Change Working Group on Infrastructure led by the Civil Engineering and Development Department, will co-ordinate works departments in adapting to climate change. The Working Group has updated the design standards to strengthen infrastructures and enhance the resilience. It will also share its research experience and findings with public organisations, public utilities, the Airport Authority Hong Kong and the MTR Corporation Limited. (EEB, DEVB)
- Continue to take forward 14 ongoing drainage improvement projects in various districts across Hong Kong (such as Eastern District, Wong Tai Sin, and the northern New Territories), which include the construction of stormwater storage tanks, barrage and drainage tunnels. The projects are expected to be completed progressively by end-2031. On coastal protection, the Government has identified 37 coastal low-lying or windy areas for improvement works, including the provision of wave walls and demountable flood barriers. The works for 20 of these areas have been completed, while the remaining areas are scheduled for progressive completion by end-2030. (EEB, DEVB)
- The Hong Kong Observatory will continue to apply new technologies to reinforce its capability and accuracy in extreme weather monitoring, warning and forecasting. (EEB)
- The Insurance Authority has set up a Climate Insurance Laboratory in collaboration with industry, universities and stakeholders to improve risk data analysis, while making use of a product innovation platform to encourage the insurance industry to develop risk transfer solutions to bridge protection gaps. (FSTB)
- The Hong Kong Monetary Authority will issue transition-planning guidance for the banking sector in the third quarter of 2026 to boost the sector's risk management capability, fostering large-scale development of transition and adaptation finance in Asia with practical guidance and case studies, while identifying financing needs and capability gaps. (FSTB)
- Employ AI-enabled large vision-language model for monitoring street flooding, with the system connected to 300 closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras under the "SmartView" programme, and sustain the collaboration with the Hong Kong Police Force to enable its connection to more CCTV cameras under the "SmartView" programme, further expanding the coverage of monitoring. (DEVB)
- Make ongoing efforts to expand the data on man-made slopes and natural hillside catchments contained in the Smart Slope Catalogue while enhancing the data records on slope maintenance and landslide history by utilising AI and big data analytics, further strengthening the Government's work on slope safety and emergency management. (DEVB)
- Continue the full adoption of AI models in real-time and dynamic landslide risk assessments by incorporating more rainfall and slope-related data to improve the models, enhancing assessments of landslide risks and the issuance of landslip warning. (DEVB)

Enhance the programme on replacing, repairing and managing the water supply network

- Adopt a risk-based approach to replace or rehabilitate 350 kilometres of aged water pipes with higher risk of leakage in the coming five years, at an average rate of 70 kilometres per year, double that for 2026-27. Focus on replacing cast iron and asbestos cement mains in the first few years in districts with more public rental housing estates and elderly residents such as Shau Kei Wan, Wong Tai Sin and Kwai Tsing. All cast iron and asbestos cement pipes are expected to be completely phased out over an estimated 10-year period. With pipe replacement and other related improvement measures under the programme, it is expected to reduce the number of water pipe bursts and serious leakage incidents by around 20% to 30% in the first five years. (DEVB)
- Replace existing valves and install additional ones for water pipes, lay two backup, cross-harbour fresh water mains, and upgrade the salt water supply system to reduce the risk of failure. (DEVB)

- Establish an Intelligent Water Network Closed-loop Management Chain, which features real-time monitoring, intelligent prediction, precise leak detection and high-quality maintenance, and perform AI predictive maintenance in collaboration with universities and enterprises. It is planned to fully implement the dynamic pressure adjustment of the Government's water supply network within five years following the commencement of the Smart Water Supply System. (DEVB)
- Use the Underground Utilities Information System and 3D spatial analysis to raise the efficiency of inspection and maintenance. (DEVB)
- Upgrade the existing inter-departmental task force to a steering committee, led by the DEVB, for more effective work co-ordination. Set up an International Expert Group on Waterworks, bringing together local, national and overseas experts to assist in reviewing the long-term management strategy of the water supply network. (DEVB)
- Take forward legislative amendments to the Building Management Ordinance to impose a higher attendance requirement and voting threshold for general meetings of owners' corporations regarding decisions on large-scale maintenance procurement, improve the systems for proxy instruments and optimise the system for declaration of interests. Related public consultation has been completed, with the target of submitting the proposal to the LegCo within 2026. (HYAB)
- Conduct a legal study on the criminalisation of bid-rigging in major building maintenance works and submit the relevant proposal to the LegCo within 2026. (CSO, CEDB and relevant bureaux)
- Launch, for the first time, tender invitation and evaluation services for owners engaging consultants and contractors. (DEVB)
- Establish more rigorous vetted "pre-qualified lists" of consultants and contractors to complement owners' support services, including conducting background checks by law enforcement agencies. Invitation for application will begin in September 2026, and the lists will be available progressively from end-2026. (DEVB)

Reform the system for the maintenance of old buildings

- Implement a comprehensive smoking ban on construction sites after legislative amendments to the Construction Sites (Safety) Regulations and related anti-smoking legislation. (LWB)
- Embark on the amendment of the Fire Services Ordinance to enhance regulation on fire service installations and equipment (FSI) and their contractors, introduce the FSI responsible persons' regime, raise penalties and expand the enforcement powers of the Fire Services Department (FSD), with an aim to submit relevant proposals to the Legislative Council (LegCo) within 2026. (SB)
- Expand the scope of amendments to the Buildings Ordinance, including the enhancement of the statutory control regime for major building maintenance works; imposing more stringent regulation and heavier penalties; and tightening the disciplinary mechanism for professionals and contractors to impose tough penalties on non-compliant behaviour. The relevant proposals will be submitted to the LegCo within 2026. (DEVB)

Enhance building fire safety

- Expand the scope of application of the Internet of Things (IoT) Fire-Detection System to old buildings of seven storeys or above by end-2026. Owners may choose to install the system as an alternative to traditional FSI. The system offers real-time detection and rapid transmission of fire-alarm signals, enhancing building fire safety. (SB)
- The FSD will increase the training quota of the Building Emergency Responder Scheme in 2026, with a target of training 45 000 property management personnel, owners' corporation representatives and residents within 2026, so as to enhance building fire safety. (SB)
- The FSD will, in collaboration with the Water Supplies Department, introduce the "improvised sprinkler system (direct pumping design)" by end-2026. This system will exempt target buildings from the installation of sprinkler tanks, assisting owners in complying with fire safety directions more easily. (SB)

Leverage fire technology Strengthen cross-boundary fire services co-operation

- The FSD will optimise the mobilisation protocol, command systems and casualty handling procedures, upgrade the overall configuration of the Fire Services Communications Centre, place special focus on introducing next-generation technological tools (such as lightweight firefighting robots), improving the capabilities in responding comprehensively to ultra-large-scale incidents. The FSD will also explore the application of AI to raise decision-making efficiency. (SB)
- The FSD has co-ordinated with Fire and Rescue Corps of Guangdong Province and the Macao Fire Services Bureau to form a “Cross-boundary Firefighting and Rescue Team”, ensuring the swift activation of co-ordinated response plans in the event of ultra-large-scale fire incidents by conducting joint exercises, technical exchanges and equipment alignment on regular basis. (SB)

Combat illicit fuelling

- The FSD will combat illicit fuelling activities by introducing legislative amendments to raise criminal penalties; leveraging big data for intelligence analysis to step up law enforcement efforts (e.g. deploying drone fleets to patrol remote black spots); and deepening inter-departmental collaboration to improve law enforcement effectiveness. (SB)

Enhance 999 emergency call services

- Enhance 999 emergency call services by introducing three new functions: providing real-time audio, image and video data to assist the console in appraising on-site situations; transmitting relevant reporting information to the FSD instantly to expedite rescue deployment; and employing new technology to triage incoming calls, prioritising the most critical cases in major incidents or busy line conditions. (SB)

Improve governance at district level

- The Steering Committee on District Governance and the Task Force on District Governance, chaired by the CS and the Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration (DCS) respectively, will continue to supervise and co-ordinate bureaux and departments in addressing district issues of public concern and enhancing policy measures. (CSO, DCSO, HYAB and relevant bureaux)
- Continue to improve the effectiveness of District Councils, “the three district committees” (i.e. Area Committees, District Fight Crime Committees and District Fire Safety Committees) and Care Teams, and strengthen their collaboration on an ongoing basis. (HYAB)
- Launch a new district governance training programme for young people and implement “job shadowing schemes” in District Offices and District Council members’ ward offices to enhance young people’s understanding of district governance, nurturing more young people to engage in district work. (HYAB)

Enhance 1823 services

- Designate a lead department to co-ordinate the handling of inter-departmental service requests and complaints. Departments will handle cases within their respective purview under the co-ordination of the lead department and report on case progress. (DCSO)
- The lead department shall promptly report any co-ordination issues to the Chairman of the Task Force on District Governance, i.e. DCS, who will give instructions to ensure that departments collaborate effectively to address the issue and inform the complainant of the result. (DCSO)
- Each department shall assign a directorate officer to monitor its efficiency and effectiveness in handling service requests and complaints lodged by members of the public. (DCSO and relevant bureaux)
- The Digital Policy Office will use AI technology to identify recurring problems among the cases received by 1823. Departments will review and formulate targeted solutions, shifting from post-complaint management to a proactive approach, where the issues are managed even in the absence of complaints. (DCSO, ITIB and relevant bureaux)

- DCS will review the implementation progress of new initiative regularly and brief the Steering Committee on District Governance. (DCSO)

Build a Solid Cornerstone of Integrity

Promote integrity building

- Through the newly established Private Sector Integrity Centre, integrate and enhance corruption prevention strategies for private sector organisations, and provide risk-based corruption prevention advisory and education services. (ICAC)
- Assist government departments in implementing the Integrity Assurance Standards for Computer System to strengthen the internal supervision and mitigate the risk of corruption. (ICAC)
- Continue to enhance the capabilities of AI chatbot to optimise the corruption prevention advisory services for the public. (ICAC)
- Develop moral education resources under the theme of “Chinese virtues” and organise student engagement activities for youth at different developmental stages, nurturing their proper values and building their sense of national identity from an early age. (ICAC)
- Continue to leverage the Café “1974” and the ICAC Exhibition Hall as anti-corruption education bases to host immersive experiences and thematic activities, tell visitors the good stories of Hong Kong’s anti-corruption efforts, and enhance public engagement. (ICAC)
- Continue to advance the ICAC’s anti-corruption publicity strategies locally, in the Mainland and overseas, while actively utilising innovative technologies such as AI to drive continuous enhancement in the content and quality of creative outputs. (ICAC)

Advance international anti-corruption co-operation

- Continue to co-organise training and exchange programmes with anti-corruption agencies around the world (especially countries along the Belt and Road) through the Hong Kong International Academy Against Corruption, and focus on offering regional training programmes to enhance training benefits and facilitate regional co-operation. (ICAC)

- The Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption of Hong Kong will continue to hold the presidency of the International Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities. He will lead the association in promoting and facilitating effective implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption. The association will convene the annual conference in Morocco in November 2026, with a view to advancing international collaboration with global anti-corruption agencies and showcasing the key role of Hong Kong in the international anti-corruption arena. (ICAC)
- Strengthen the strategic partnership with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) by, inter alia, seconding officers of the ICAC to the UNODC headquarters in Vienna, co-organising professional anti-corruption training courses, and advancing thematic anti-corruption researches. (ICAC)
- Deepen co-operation with the International Anti-Corruption Academy through the signing of a memorandum of understanding. Apart from jointly organising professional anti-corruption training, the ICAC will offer expert advice to the Academy’s research on developing a global methodology for assessing the effectiveness of anti-corruption agencies. (ICAC)

Enhance Governance Efficacy and Strengthen the Civil Service System

AI in public services

- Enhance key digital infrastructure of the Government to support diversified AI applications, and step up AI training for civil servants. (ITIB, CSB)
- Continue to expand the application of AI technology in ecological surveys and environmental monitoring for the Hong Kong Environmental Database while enriching the content of the database. (EEB)
- Expand the services provided by the Electrical and Mechanical Services Trading Fund to AI applications in project management, covering site supervision for public works and contract administration, as well as assistance in the procurement and tender assessment of public works projects. (DEVB)

- The Hong Kong Housing Authority will improve the management of public rental housing estates and the service quality by applying IoT real-time flooding alerts and AI video analytics for speedy identification of misconduct, including throwing objects from height and illegal parking, as well as drone-assisted inspections of lift shafts and the external walls of buildings. (HB)
- The Hospital Authority (HA) will use AI to compile clinical summaries and assist in real-time diagnosis applying AI risk prediction model for the early identification of high-risk patients. AI will also be used for co-ordinating service arrangement and reducing the average triage time, etc. In addition, the HA will strengthen the clinical applications of AI through the introduction of smart wearable devices, a clinical information system, a risk prediction system for clinical deterioration, as well as AI-assisted imaging services and medical report generation, in a bid to develop global leading smart hospitals. (HHB)
- The Social Welfare Department will upgrade its IT infrastructure and enhance its service quality, operational efficiency and IT security through application of AI. (LWB)
- Continue to enhance and upgrade the “iAM Smart” platform to facilitate the use of its step-up authentication function in critical business processes of various sectors to help enhance business security. (ITIB)
- Encourage departments to integrate their mobile applications into the Mini-program Platform of “iAM Smart” or provide relevant services through other more cost-effective channels, with the target of reducing the number of government mobile applications for public use to 40 in 2027. (ITIB)
- Launch the “Digital Corporate Identity” (CorpID) Platform and provide an AI Assistant for its users to answer enquiries and offer personalised services. All digital government services relating to enterprises should progressively support the use of CorpID, except for cases where there is sufficient legal reason. (ITIB and relevant bureaux)
- Launch a new round of the “Smart Silver” Digital Inclusion Programme and extend the reach of digital government services through engaging district service organisations to facilitate understanding and use of digital government services by the communities in need for inclusion into digital society. (ITIB)
- Continue to promote inter-departmental data exchange through the Consented Data Exchange Gateway to provide the public with convenient digital government services. (ITIB)
- The Home Affairs Department will make use of online chatbot to provide instant response to service enquiries by members of the public, so as to enhance user experience. (HYAB)
- Continue to enhance and actively promote the e-licensing services of the TD by integrating AI technologies to enhance the efficiency in vetting online applications, while optimising the application procedures to expedite the processes of handling, vetting and approval, providing transport licensing services in a more efficient and convenient manner. (TLB)
- Make use of the CSDI to establish the Spatial Data Hub, with a view to strengthening the management and monitoring of approvals for large-scale private developments. Integration of spatial data with AI will be promoted on a pilot basis, and inter-departmental unified spatial intelligent data services will be implemented with the support from the Lands Department, enhancing core functions such as planning, and land development and management. (DEVB)
- Apply AI and innovative technologies extensively, such that potential pollution risks can be identified earlier across multiple environmental categories, including wastewater, air and noise, enhancing the efficiency of inspection, source tracing and handling of licensing. Using 2025 as the baseline, the target is to improve the efficiency of handling environmental pollution complaints through the application of smart technology by around 15% by end-2027. (EEB)
- The Labour Department actively utilises AI to roll out the “Career Matching Hub” in phases starting from the first half of 2027. Suitable job vacancies will be recommended to job seekers based on analysis of their profiles and preferences. Personalised employment and vocational training information will also be provided to enhance their chances of successful employment. (LWB)

Fight and prevent crime

- Develop a centralised drone management system and install drone docks to expand the coverage of automatic drone patrol. Drones can quickly reach sites during the early stages of emergencies providing real-time, aerial and panoramic viewing of the scene. Complemented by AI, drones can enhance on-site assessment and control and expand the area of coverage, strengthening Hong Kong's security. (SB)
- Further take forward the "SmartView" programme to build a territory-wide CCTV system network through tripartite collaboration among the Government, the business sector and the community, and deepen the application of AI, with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of preventing and fighting crime. (SB)
- The Correctional Services Department (CSD) will install the Automatic Drone Patrol and Monitoring System 2.0 in six maximum security institutions in phases to further strengthen institutional security and raise the operational efficiency of institutions. (SB)
- The Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department (C&ED) will expand the deployment of the WiseShield, a smart video analytics system, at boundary control points to utilise AI technology to enable real-time identification of high-risk persons, enhancing law enforcement effectiveness. (SB)
- The C&ED will consolidate existing systems to build an anti-money laundering big-data platform, and leverage technology to enhance analytical capabilities, in order to combat cross-border money laundering activities and networks. (SB)

Defence against cybersecurity challenges

- Launch a Cybersecurity Defence Programme to provide local organisations with cybersecurity certification; and develop shared tools of defence and establish a mechanism for sharing intelligence on threats, reinforcing society's digital security resilience. (ITIB)

- Develop a Cybersecurity Threat Intelligence Analysis and Alert System following the requirements stipulated by the Protection of Critical Infrastructures (Computer Systems) Ordinance, and adopt AI technology to collect international cyber-threat intelligence; analyse threats targeting local critical infrastructures and issue risk alerts to operators. (SB)

Emergency management

- Conduct no fewer than 100 counter-terrorism (CT) exercises of various types by end-2027, including the large-scale inter-departmental CT exercise co-ordinated by relevant working groups under the CT Three-tier Prevention Framework, with a view to continuously strengthening inter-departmental co-ordination and co-operation, and enhancing Hong Kong's overall CT deployment and preparedness. (SB)

Promote anti-drug efforts

- Reach out to the community by organising game booths and parent-child activities to educate parents and children on resisting drugs; introduce anti-drug publicity to kindergartens to deepen anti-drug awareness among young kids. (SB)
- Organise seminars from 2026 onwards to promote the outcomes and successful experiences of projects funded by the Beat Drugs Fund, so as to enhance multi-disciplinary response awareness and efficacy of the drug treatment and rehabilitation sector. (SB)

Support rehabilitation

- The CSD will launch the "Project ReAch", covering released rehabilitated persons who had participated in the "Project PATH" in institutions, to continuously consolidate rehabilitative outcomes. (SB)
- The CSD will introduce an undergraduate programme in the Ethics College by end-2026 to assist associate degree graduates in obtaining advanced qualifications during incarceration. (SB)

Protection of privacy

- In light of the rising trend of personal data breach incidents, the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data will continue to step up publicity and education to enhance public awareness of personal data protection, and actively assist the industry to comply with the relevant requirements under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, and to study further enhancements of personal data protection and address the challenges posed by cyber technologies through legislative amendments. (CMAB)

Strengthen the civil service system

- Devise operational system and manpower deployment arrangements for the Public Service Commission's independent investigation, subsequent to the Public Service Commission (Investigation) Regulation taking effect in July 2026 and the implementation of the Heads of Department Accountability System and the Tier II investigation mechanism under the Administrative Responsibility Two-tier Investigation Mechanism. (CSB)
- Enhance the performance appraisal system for civil servants to differentiate the performance levels of staff more effectively, giving a clearer basis for rewards and punishment; and review its effectiveness after two reporting cycles. (CSB)
- Complete amendments to the Public Service (Administration) Order and the Public Service (Disciplinary) Regulation in the fourth quarter of 2026 for streamlined disciplinary procedures and extension of interdiction arrangements, improving the efficiency and effectiveness of handling disciplinary cases. (CSB)
- Issue a booklet on Knowing More about Civil Service Disciplinary Mechanism to all civil servants and other government employees within 2026 for the purpose of raising their awareness of compliance with civil service rules and discipline requirement through explaining to them the disciplinary mechanism and sharing with them disciplinary cases. (CSB)

Strengthen the training of the civil service

- Press ahead with the construction of the new Civil Service College building as part of the Kwun Tong Composite Development Project, which is expected to commence operation in the second half of 2027. (CSB)
- Continue to strengthen patriotic education among civil servants, foster the "people-oriented" governance philosophy and enhance the understanding of civil servants on overall national development and international landscape, in order to support Hong Kong aligning proactively with national development strategies. (CSB)
- Continue to advance the Governance Talents Development Programme to create a talent pool in the Government for strengthening governance capabilities. (CSB)
- Launch the GovCPD Scheme to set out continuous learning requirements for senior civil servants, motivating the civil service to keep pace with the times. (CSB)
- Strengthen the training courses on occupational safety and health in the civil service to provide staff with greater flexibility to receive the relevant training both online and offline, promoting occupational safety and health to more civil servants. (CSB)
- With the support of the Central People's Government, recommend and send a new batch of outstanding young civil servants to participate in the United Nations (UN) Junior Professional Officer Programme and take up positions in the UN offices, continuously enriching civil servants' experience in taking part in the affairs of international organisations. (CSB)

Streamline the civil service

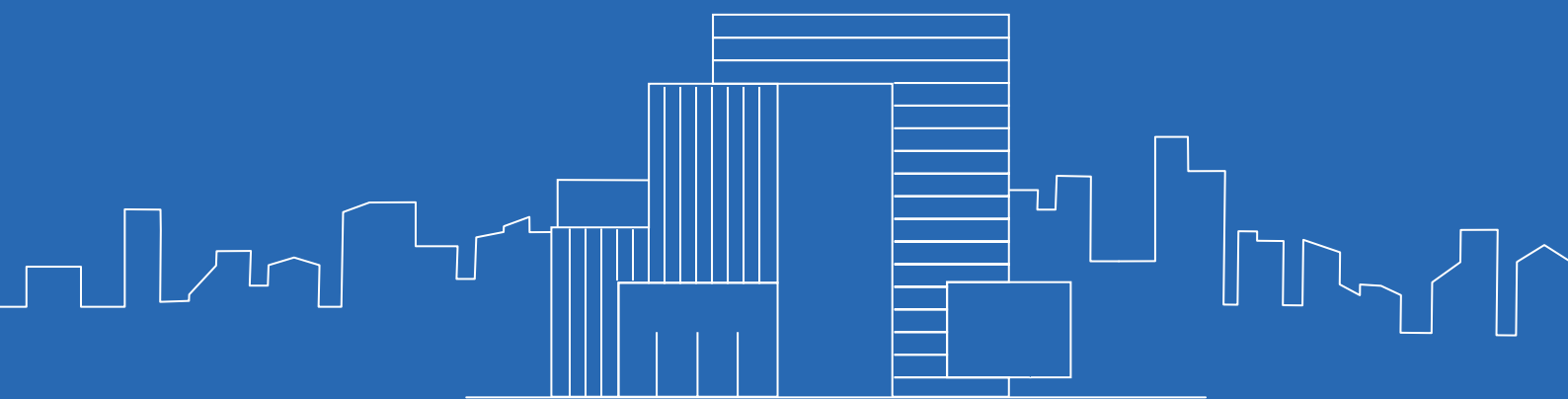
- Further reduce the overall civil service establishment by 2% in 2027-28 so that more than 10 000 posts in total are expected to be deleted within the current term of the Government; and continue to encourage departments to re-prioritise and re-deploy their work, streamline work processes and capitalise on technology solutions by adopting management measures and digitalisation, enhancing efficiency and optimising the use of manpower resources while continuously delivering high-quality public services to the citizens. (CSB)

Enhance public spaces in joint-user government office buildings

- Bring in value-added commercial services to the common spaces in joint-user government office buildings and provide users therein with more diverse and convenient services. (FSTB)

Annex

Progress of Indicators for Specified Tasks in 2025 Policy Address



(I) New Indicators

No.	Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
1	Undertake promotional, outreach and educational initiatives for safeguarding national security, including: Stage a drama performance promoting the message of safeguarding national security to the public in 2026; (SB)	Task completed. The Security Bureau presented two performances of the national security drama in July 2026.
	Recruit around 80 volunteers from the Security Bureau Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum in the 2025/26 school year to participate in the “Andy and Security Bear” themed education workshops in various kindergartens for promoting national security to around 1 000 teachers and students; and (SB)	Task completed. Through “Andy & Bear KinderFest school tour” workshops led by volunteers from the Security Bureau Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum, national security education had been promoted to around 3 700 teachers and students in kindergartens by the end of the 2025/26 school year.
	Provide at least 1 000 teacher training places relating to national security education in the 2025/26 school year. (EDB)	Task completed. More than 6 500 teacher training places relating to national security education were provided by the Education Bureau (EDB) in the 2025/26 school year.
2	Promote patriotic education on and off campus to strengthen students’ sense of belonging to our country: Organise various activities on national education for participation by students in the 2025/26 school year, with an expected attendance of no less than 200 000; and	Task completed. The various activities on national education for students recorded an attendance of over 200 000 in the 2025/26 school year.
	Provide 1 500 teacher training places and continue to provide learning and teaching resources for the senior secondary Chinese History and History curricula in the 2026/27 school year. (EDB)	Task on track. The EDB will progressively develop learning and teaching resources for the senior secondary Chinese History and History subjects and organise various training programmes starting from September 2026, with the target of providing no fewer than 1 500 training places by June 2027.
3	The Civil Service Bureau (CSB) will introduce enhancement measures in 2026 to improve the civil service performance appraisal system for differentiating staff performance in a clearer manner, so as to strengthen the reward and punishment system. (CSB)	Task completed. The CSB announced on 22 May 2026 that the Performance Appraisal Enhancement Scheme for Civil Servants (Phase I) will be implemented in selected grades of bureaux and departments starting from 1 October 2026.

No.	Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
4	Formulate the work plan and timetable of the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Efficacy Enhancement Team (AIEET) in Q4 2025, and to implement relevant projects in 2026, including the rolling out of AI tools covering 100 public administration procedures within 2026, and the launch of AI Flagship Projects progressively in 2026-27 and 2027-28. (DCSO)	Task on track. The AIEET has hitherto facilitated and taken forward the first batch of 30 efficacy enhancement projects, 10 of which are Flagship Projects with larger impact. Various bureaux/ departments have applied AI tools in some 90 public administration procedures.
5	Release the Northern Metropolis University Town (NMUT) Development Conceptual Framework within 2026. (CSO, EDB, DEVB)	Over the past year, the Working Group on Planning and Construction of the University Town has been proactively advancing the planning work for the NMUT. As Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan includes a dedicated chapter on the University Town, the working group has incorporated the development concept of NMUT into Hong Kong's Five-Year Plan. The Five-Year Plan and the Policy Address were published consecutively on the same day in September 2026.
6	Introduce the bill for dedicated legislation to accelerate the Northern Metropolis (NM) development into Legislative Council (LegCo) within 2026. (DEVB)	Task completed. The Northern Metropolis Development Bill was introduced into the LegCo for first and second readings on 8 July 2026. The Government is fully co-operating with the LegCo in the ongoing legislative process.
7	Announce the results of the land use review for Au Tau within 2026. (DEVB)	Task on track. The land use review is expected to be completed by end-2026. The statutory planning and related procedures for recommended land uses of the Au Tau New Development Area (NDA) are targeted to commence in 2027.
8	Support medical innovation through structural reform: Set up the Hong Kong Centre for Medical Products Regulation (CMPR) in 2026;	Task on track. The Government plans to set up the CMPR under the Department of Health (DH) in early December 2026 to co-ordinate the regulation of medicines (including Chinese and western medicines) and medical devices.
	Implement "primary evaluation" for new drug registration in phases beginning in 2026; and	Task completed. The Government began the phased implementation of "primary evaluation" for new drug registration on 31 March 2026, with the aim of achieving full coverage of all kinds of pharmaceutical products by 2030.
	Submit a legislative proposal on regulating medical devices to the LegCo in 2026. (HHB)	Task on track. The legislative proposal on regulating medical devices will be submitted to the LegCo by end-2026.

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9	Enhance Hong Kong's clinical trial capability: Place a key focus on promoting clinical trials for innovative drugs, and enhance the efficiency of patient recruitment and trial initiation by 30% or more by 2027;	Task completed. Since the establishment of the Greater Bay Area International Clinical Trial Institute (GBAICTI) in end-2024, as at Q2 2026, the efficiency of patient recruitment and trial initiation at major clinical trial sites in Hong Kong was enhanced by 34%.
	Launch the first batch of representative regional collaborative clinical trial projects through the "Greater Bay Area Clinical Trial Collaboration Platform" within 2026;	Task completed. The first two regional collaborative clinical trial programmes were commenced within 2026.
	Apply the real-world data platform for the approval of innovative medical products by 2027;	Task completed. The Real-World Study and Application Centre established under the GBAICTI completed a real-world study for an oncology drug developed by a multi-national pharmaceutical company in early 2026, rendering support for the application for approval of registration of the drug in the Mainland.
	Host at least one regional clinical trial conference and one clinical trial summit with international influence by 2027;	Task on track. The GBAICTI will host a regional clinical trial conference, namely the Clinical Advancement and Research Excellence Summit, from 4 to 5 November 2026, and plans to organise an international clinical trial summit within 2027.
	Establish the "International Clinical Research Academy" in 2027; and	Task on track. The GBAICTI is actively preparing for the establishment of the International Clinical Trial Academy by Q2 2027.
	The Hospital Authority (HA) to establish the Office for Introducing Innovative Drugs and Medical Devices in the first half of 2026 to commence work in relation to accelerating the introduction of innovative drugs and medical devices. (HHB)	Task completed. The HA established the Office for Introducing Innovative Drugs and Medical Devices in June 2026. As at August 2026, more than 25 enquiries have been received from pharmaceutical companies and medical device manufacturers. The office has identified an innovative drug for lung cancer treatment and recommended that the DH expedite its registration process through the Priority Review Pathway to allow patients to benefit sooner.
10	Establish the Hong Kong Artificial Intelligence Research and Development Institute within 2026. (ITIB)	Task completed. The Hong Kong Artificial Intelligence Research and Development Institute has been established and is expected to commence operations within 2026.
11	Promote AI application in government services and business operations: Roll out AI tools covering 100 public administration procedures within 2026, and expand the coverage to no less than 200 by end-2027; (ITIB)	Task on track. AI tools have been applied in some 90 public administration procedures by various bureaux/departments.

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	Launch AI Flagship Projects in 2026-27 and 2027-28 progressively to use AI to assist departments in expediting their processes of handling, vetting and approving various types of licences and permits, as well as applications; (ITIB)	Task on track. The AIEET has facilitated the first batch of 30 efficacy enhancement projects involving 13 departments, 10 of which are Flagship Projects with larger impact and are being rolled out in phases in 2026 and 2027.
	Pilot the digital pathology and the application of AI in three clusters (Kowloon Central Cluster, New Territories East Cluster, and New Territories West Cluster) in Q1 2027; (HHB)	Task on track. The HA is preparing for the introduction of digital pathology technology and the application of AI, with measures including the establishment of the necessary information technology infrastructure, configuration of equipment, and provision of training for healthcare staff.
	Gradually implement the “AI Patient Risk Prediction System”, introduce the use of generative AI to assist doctors in writing medical reports, conduct the AI assisted computed tomography (CT) imaging analysis, and provide real-time AI translation services during patient consultations between 2025 and 2026; (HHB)	Task completed. The HA rolled out the “AI Patient Risk Prediction System”, the AI assisted CT imaging analysis, and real-time AI translation services during patient consultations in selected clusters between 2025 and 2026. Specifically, the HA introduced the use of generative AI in end-March 2026 to assist doctors in writing medical reports in all of its hospitals.
	Establish an inter-departmental working group by end-2025 to co-ordinate the responsible bureaux in reviewing the relevant law, so as to complement the development of and need for wider application of AI; and (DoJ)	Task completed. The Department of Justice (DoJ) convened a Steering Committee meeting in March 2026; policy bureaux/departments have assessed the existing legislation and rules under their respective policy responsibility in accordance with the directions of the Steering Committee; the DoJ has completed analysing the relevant assessment and is now further advancing the relevant work actively.
	Introduce in 2026 guidelines for requiring new public works projects to adopt highly-effective construction robots with functions including automated processes, remote control, AI, etc. in suitable processes. (DEVB)	Task completed. The Development Bureau (DEVB) issued a Technical Circular (Works) in December 2025, requiring new public works projects to adopt highly-effective construction robots in suitable processes.
12	Discuss strategies and work plan of the Task Force on Supporting Mainland Enterprises in Going Global (GoGlobal Task Force), and organise the first large-scale promotion event by end-2025. (CEDB)	Task completed. The GoGlobal Task Force was established and convened the first meeting of its Steering Committee in October 2025 to discuss and formulate work strategies. It also organised the first large-scale promotion event in Shanghai in November 2025 attended by about 500 representatives of Mainland enterprises. Since its establishment, the GoGlobal Task Force has organised over 20 promotion events in Hong Kong and the Mainland, engaging more than 5 000 representatives of Mainland enterprises.

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13	Attract at least 1 200 Mainland or overseas enterprises to set up or expand businesses in Hong Kong between 2026 and 2027, thereby bringing in direct investment of at least HK\$120 billion and creating at least 12 000 job opportunities. (CEDB)	Task on track. Since January 2026, the Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK) has assisted about 520 Mainland or overseas enterprises in setting up or expanding businesses in Hong Kong. These enterprises are expected to bring in direct investment of over HK\$68 billion and create more than 10 000 job opportunities. The department will continue to actively attract more enterprises to Hong Kong.
14	Complete the review on tax concessionary measures currently applicable to Corporate Treasury Centres and come up with specific recommendations for enhancement in the first half of 2026. (FSTB)	Task completed. The Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (FSTB) announced the Action Plan to Promote Development of Corporate Treasury Centres in Hong Kong, setting out specific recommendations for enhancement on 9 June 2026, and launched a public consultation on the specific recommendations on revamping the tax concession regime for Corporate Treasury Centres on 27 July 2026.
15	Take forward green co-operation with Belt and Road (B&R) countries between 2026 and 2027:	
	Establish a B&R sustainable green development training centre;	Task completed. The B&R sustainable green development training centre was established in May 2026.
	Jointly set up a co-operation platform in Hong Kong with the B&R Initiative International Green Development Coalition and organise an international forum focusing on green innovation;	Task on track. The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) is working with the B&R Initiative International Green Development Coalition to organise the B&R Green Innovation Conference scheduled for October 2026.
	Organise two training courses or technical forums on environmental science for the personnel of B&R countries; and	Task on track. The EPD launched an online platform for the personnel of B&R countries to take related self-learning courses in June 2026, and will hold an in-person training course in Hong Kong in October.
	Arrange five delegations from B&R countries to visit Hong Kong for exchange. (EEB)	Task on track. The Environment and Ecology Bureau (EEB) and the EPD are actively inviting delegations from B&R countries to the Eco Expo Asia to be held in October 2026.
16	Commence operation of the permanent facilities of Phase 1 of the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) Dongguan Logistics Park in the first half of 2027. (TLB)	Task on track. The Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) is completing the permanent facilities of Phase 1 of the HKIA Dongguan Logistics Park in stages, with the aim of commencing its commercial trial operation on 1 April 2027 and full operation on 1 June 2027.

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17	Promote the construction of rule of law in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA): Establish a panel of GBA arbitrators by end-2025; and	Task completed. The GBA Arbitrator Panel was officially promulgated on 30 December 2025, comprising 143 arbitrators from Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao.
	Set up a platform for GBA commercial mediation and arbitration by end-2026. (DoJ)	Task on track. The legal departments of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao have been steadily advancing the relevant work and have reached basic consensus on the official name and main objectives of the platform; and have taken steps in inviting arbitration and mediation institutions of the three places to join the platform.
18	Introduce a legislative proposal into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to enhance the preferential tax regimes for funds, single family offices and carried interest. (FSTB)	Task completed. The FSTB introduced the Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Preferential Tax Regimes for Funds, Family-owned Investment Holding Vehicles and Carried Interest) Bill 2026 into the LegCo in June 2026.
19	Assist no less than 220 family offices in setting up operations or expanding businesses in Hong Kong from 2026 to 2028. (FSTB)	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, the FamilyOfficeHK team of the InvestHK has successfully assisted 60 family offices in setting up operations or expanding businesses in Hong Kong.
20	Introduce a bill into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to implement the arrangement for paying the stamp duty arising from Renminbi (RMB) counter stock transactions in RMB. (FSTB)	Task completed. The FSTB introduced the amendment bill into the LegCo on 10 June 2026. The amendment bill was passed on 8 July 2026.
21	Initiate the trial run of the Hong Kong's central clearing system for gold within 2026. (FSTB)	Task completed. The central clearing and settlement system for gold in Hong Kong commenced trial run on 7 July 2026.
22	Introduce a bill into the LegCo in 2026 for establishing the licensing regime for digital asset dealing and custodian service providers. (FSTB)	Task on track. Drafting of the amendment bill is underway. The amendment bill covering the regulatory regimes for virtual asset dealing, custodian, advisory and management services is expected to be introduced into the LegCo in Q4 2026.
23	Promote Digital Trade: Start rolling out in batches the Phase 3 services of the Trade Single Window in 2026; and	Task on track. Phase 3 services of the Trade Single Window have been rolled out in batches since 1 May 2026 and will be in full service in 2027.
	Put forward a legislative proposal within 2026 to facilitate the digitalisation of business-to-business trade documents with reference to the Model Law on Electronic Transferable Records. (CEDB)	Task on track. The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (CEDB) will introduce the amendment bill into the LegCo within 2026.

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24	Introduce legislative amendments in the first half of 2026 to implement half-rate tax concession for commodity traders. (TLB)	Task completed. The Transport and Logistics Bureau (TLB) introduced the Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Tax Concessions for Shipping-related Activities and Physical Commodity Trading) Bill 2026 into the LegCo in June 2026.
25	Promote the development of the maritime service industry: • Sign memoranda of understanding with the first batch of partner ports during Hong Kong Maritime Week in end-2025;	Task completed. The Government announced the first batch of partner ports during the Hong Kong Maritime Week in November 2025, including San Antonio Port of Chile, Dalian Port and Guangxi Port of the Mainland, and continues to promote the collaboration with other ports.
	• Ensure that Hong Kong has the conditions required to provide green methanol bunkering services in 2026;	Task completed. Following the publication of the relevant code of practice on bunkering operations in June 2025, and the LegCo's passage of the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Regulation 2025 in October 2025, duties on methanol used as fuel for outbound vessels have been exempted. The industry completed its inaugural green methanol bunkering operation on 5 March 2026.
	• Complete installation of the Port Community System in end-2025 and launch the system for industry use in January 2026; and	Task completed. Installation of the Port Community System was completed at end-2025 and the system was rolled out for industry use in January 2026, providing cargo tracking and sea, land and air transport information, as well as value-added electronic services such as One-Data-Multiple-Declarations.
	• Submit proposed amendments to the Merchant Shipping (Registration) Ordinance to the LegCo within 2026. (TLB)	Task on track. The TLB will introduce the Merchant Shipping (Registration) (Amendment) Bill 2026 into the LegCo within 2026 as per the target, so as to render the registration processes more flexible and digitalised.
26	Invite the industry to submit expressions of interest for the first logistics site for developing modern logistics clusters in Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen NDA within 2026. (TLB)	Task completed. On 13 August 2026, the TLB invited the industry to submit expressions of interest for the development of the first batch of land parcels in the modern logistics clusters in Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen NDA.
27	Explore with 10 or more aviation partners within 2026 the enhancement of air connectivity, and support the HKIA to further expand its aviation network and continue to add new destinations and increase flight frequencies. (TLB)	Task on track. As of August 2026, the enhancement of bilateral air services arrangements with over 10 aviation partners have been explored with positive results achieved progressively.

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28	Introduce a legislative proposal into the LegCo within 2026 to extend the arrangements under the Air Transhipment Cargo Exemption Scheme to other intermodal cargo-transhipment modes. (TLB)	Task on track. The TLB has discussed with the trade the relevant proposed extension and reached a consensus, and is now drafting the relevant legislative amendments in collaboration with other bureaux and departments.
29	Take forward the expansion of the Airport City development. The AAHK will invite expressions of interest from the market in early 2026 for the development of the yacht bay and its ancillary facilities, and complete the construction of AsiaWorld-Expo Phase 2 by end-2028. (TLB)	Task on track. The AAHK invited the market to submit expressions of interest in the development of the yacht bay and its ancillary facilities in April 2026. The construction of AsiaWorld-Expo Phase 2 is underway, with completion targeted by end-2028.
30	Support the operation of the International Organization for Mediation (IOMed): Commence within 2026 the preparatory work for the construction of the Hong Kong International Legal Affairs Building; and	Task completed. The preparatory work for the construction of the Hong Kong International Legal Service Building commenced within 2026 with a view to seeking necessary funding approval for the construction works in 2027. Space will be reserved for the headquarters of the IOMed.
	Organise the International Mediation Summit within 2026. (DoJ)	Task completed. With the support of the HKSAR Government, the Global Mediation Summit hosted by the IOMed was successfully held on 8 May 2026 in Hong Kong to discuss the development of a global mediation ecosystem.
31	Promote mediation culture and arbitration development: Implement recommended measures to strengthen the accreditation and disciplinary systems for the mediation profession in Hong Kong within 2025, and take forward the relevant legislative work within 2026;	Task on track. The working group finalised seven proposed measures by end-2025, one of which involves proposed legislative amendments. The DoJ is actively taking forward the relevant work on legislative amendments and working closely with Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited on the implementation of other relevant recommended measures.
	Conduct six training sessions under the Pilot Scheme on Community Mediation within 2025-26;	Task completed. Between July 2025 and August 2026, the DoJ, together with the EEB as well as the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD), organised 13 training sessions attended by 288 property management personnel. The programme was well received and will continue in 2026-27.
	Collaborate with the legal and sports industries to organise no less than three promotional and talents training activities on sports dispute resolution within 2025-26;	Task completed. The DoJ organised four promotional and talents training activities on sports dispute resolution in collaboration with the legal and sports industries from 2025 to 2026.

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	Further expand overseas publicity efforts within 2026 by leading delegations composed of professionals from the local legal and dispute resolution sectors to visit overseas countries, with a view to enhancing the publicity of Hong Kong's strengths in arbitration; and	Task on track. The Secretary for Justice led a delegation of legal and other professional services sectors to visit Xinjiang, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan from 23 to 29 August 2026.
	Establish a working group by 2026 to study whether it is necessary to amend the Arbitration Ordinance. (DoJ)	Task completed. The working group was established on 30 October 2025, and meetings were convened in November 2025 as well as April and June 2026. Members of the working group have advised the DoJ on Hong Kong's arbitration legislative framework.
32	Promote Digital Education: Release the Blueprint for Digital Education in Primary and Secondary Schools within 2026; and	Task completed. The EDB released the Blueprint for Digital Education Development in Primary and Secondary Schools in June 2026, proposing comprehensive and forward-looking key focuses and strategies for digital education development, so as to progressively enhance students' AI literacy.
	40 primary and secondary schools to participate in a pilot scheme on the promotion of AI education in the 2025/26 and 2026/27 school years, with the scheme gradually expanding to cover more than 200 schools. (EDB)	Task on track. The EDB, in collaboration with The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, launched an AI Education Pilot Scheme at the start of the 2025/26 school year. Over 150 primary and secondary schools participated in the scheme in the 2025/26 school year.
33	Commission two pilot lines by The Hong Kong Microelectronics Research and Development Institute within 2026. (ITIB)	Task on track. The Hong Kong Microelectronics Research and Development Institute has completed the procurement of equipment for its two pilot lines. Installation and tuning of equipment are in progress for commissioning by end-2026.
34	Complete the preparatory work for the establishment of the Life and Health Technology Research Institute (LHTRI) within 2026, including finalising its research directions and governance structure etc. (ITIB)	Task on track. Preparatory work for the establishment of the headquarters and branches of the LHTRI will be completed in 2026.

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35	Support the development of the low-altitude economy: Roll out the advanced low-altitude economy “Regulatory Sandbox 1” pilot projects progressively from the first half of 2026 to cover low-altitude flying application scenarios that are technically more complex; and commence a technical study on infrastructure facilities with the aim of formulating the initial recommendations and a draft Action Plan on Developing Low-Altitude Economy by end-2026; and (TLB)	Task on track. To date, around 10 pilot projects under the low-altitude economy “Regulatory Sandbox 1” have commenced testing, and the drafting of the Action Plan on Developing Low-Altitude Economy is proceeding as scheduled.
	Launch the licensing regime for spectrum designated for the use of unmanned aircraft systems by end-2025. (CEDB)	Task completed. The Communications Authority launched the Unmanned Aircraft System (Private) Licence in October 2025, offering an additional communication channel for unmanned aircraft system operations, thereby supporting the safe and efficient operation of unmanned aircraft systems.
36	Announce the findings of the study on streamlining the vetting procedures of licence applications for Low Earth Orbit satellites within 2026. (CEDB)	Task on track. The CEDB has preliminarily completed the study on streamlining the vetting procedures of licence applications for operating Low Earth Orbit satellites, and is formulating detailed arrangements for the streamlined licensing regime, with a view to announcing the findings of the study within 2026.
37	Around 50 radio base stations subsidised under the Subsidy Scheme to Extend 5G Coverage in Rural and Remote Areas to be completed and put into service within four years (i.e. by 2029). (CEDB)	Task on track. As at August 2026, 15 radio base station applications have been approved under the Subsidy Scheme to Extend 5G Coverage in Rural and Remote Areas, with two of the radio base stations expected to be completed and put into service in 2026.
38	Bolster intellectual property (IP) financing: Announce the arrangements for the IP financing sandbox pilot scheme in collaboration with the Hong Kong Monetary Authority within 2025;	Task completed. The IP financing sandbox was launched on 22 December 2025.
	Launch a pilot programme within 2026 to subsidise small and medium enterprises (SMEs) to conduct patent valuation; and	Task on track. The Pilot Patent Valuation Support Scheme will be officially launched in 2026.
	Organise at least two IP training courses for practitioners in the banking sector in 2025-26. (CEDB)	Task completed. The Intellectual Property Department (IPD) organised training courses on IP for practitioners in the banking sector in July and November 2025 respectively.

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39	Eight youth uniformed groups of the disciplined and auxiliary services will arrange at least 2 000 members to participate in international and Mainland exchange activities, such as study tours to B&R countries or regions, within 2026. (SB)	Task completed. As at 31 August 2026, eight youth uniformed groups of the disciplined and auxiliary services have arranged over 2 800 members to participate in international and Mainland exchange activities.
40	In 2026, the Hong Kong Talent Engage (HKTE) will: • Organise the “Global Talent Summit Week”; and	Task completed. The “Global Talent Summit Week” was organised in March 2026.
	• Organise 55 thematic seminars, job fairs, workshops and integration activities to help incoming talents settle in Hong Kong. (LWB)	Task on track. The HKTE has organised over 40 thematic seminars, job fairs, workshops and integration activities to help incoming talents settle in Hong Kong.
41	Confirm the details on the collaboration with Art Basel, and complete the studies with the sector on taxation, financing, talents and other related areas of art trading in 2026. (CSTB)	Task on track. The Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau (CSTB) concluded an agreement with Art Basel Hong Kong in March 2026 to confirm the details of collaboration over the coming five years. The studies on art trading carried out with the sector are also expected to be completed within 2026.
42	In 2026, the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCD) will: • Provide at least 50 training and internship opportunities related to curation, conservation and arts administration;	Task on track. The WKCD has engaged 35 interns to date, and expects to provide over 80 training and internship opportunities within 2026.
	• Stage or curate at least two exhibitions outside Hong Kong; and	Task completed. The WKCD has taken forward several touring projects, including the “I. M. Pei: Life Is Architecture”, an exhibition curated by M+ to Doha, Qatar from November 2025 to February 2026; and the “Robert Rauschenberg and Asia”, an M+ exhibition to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from June to November 2026. The “Lee Bul: From 1998 to Now”, an exhibition co-organised by M+ and Leeum Museum of Art in Seoul, Korea, will be on tour to Antwerp, Belgium in November 2026.
	• Organise at least 1 250 programmes, including exhibitions and performing arts programmes, and different types of activities in the Art Park. (CSTB)	Task completed. The WKCD has arranged over 1 250 programmes in the West Kowloon Cultural District to date, and expects to organise at least 1 300 diverse programmes in 2026.

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43	Make available not less than eight leisure or cultural facilities under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) within 2026 to introduce market-based business models and to bring about more diverse value-added activities. (CSTB)	Task on track. The LCSD invited tenders in April 2026 for the introduction of market-based business model services at its leisure or cultural facilities. The tender closed in June 2026. It is expected that operators will be engaged within 2026.
44	Promote the yacht economy: Optimise the Electronic Business System of the Marine Department (MD) in 2026 to complement the proposed enhanced measures which allow pre-arrival handling of clearance formalities by visiting yachts; and	Task completed. The MD completed the optimisation of the Electronic Business System in June 2026 to complement the proposed enhanced measures which allow pre-arrival handling of clearance formalities by visiting yachts.
	Introduce facilitation arrangements in 2026 for local port knowledge examinations, including the arrangement for examinations to be conducted by authorised organisations in the Mainland and relevant short-term training courses to be offered by accredited bodies in the Mainland. (TLB)	Task completed. The MD introduced the facilitation arrangements in June 2026 for local port knowledge examinations, including the arrangement for examinations to be conducted by authorised organisations in the Mainland and relevant short-term training courses to be offered by accredited bodies in the Mainland.
45	The Fire Services Department (FSD) to streamline fire safety inspection workflows by implementing in Q1 2026 the plan of conducting compliance inspections on fire safety requirements for Temporary Place of Public Entertainment Licence applications via video conferencing. (SB)	Task completed. Given the positive effects resulting from the pilot scheme of conducting compliance inspections on fire safety requirements for Temporary Place of Public Entertainment Licence applications via video conferencing, the FSD has fully implemented the scheme since 1 February 2026. It is estimated that compliance inspections of around 1 200 cases can be conducted via video conferencing annually.
46	Develop “Ecology + Tourism” by enhancing green tourism itineraries and facilities of the “Four Peaks” by end-2026 to enable visitors to enjoy spectacular mountain and sea views within reach. (EEB)	Task on track. The Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) is actively implementing the “Four Peaks” tourism project, including completing most of the facilities enhancement projects and stepping up the promotion of green tourism itineraries.
47	Promote local thematic immersive tours: Open up the frontier closed areas at Mai Po and Starling Inlet in mid-2026; and (SB)	Task completed. The frontier closed areas at Starling Inlet and Mai Po were opened on 22 September 2025 and 24 July 2026 respectively.
	Finalise the locations, planting species and related work plans for creating the thematic floral gardens in 18 districts in Q4 2025, and to implement the project from 2026 onwards. (DCSO)	Task on track. The LCSD finalised in end-2025 the locations, species to be planted and related work plans for the thematic floral gardens in 18 districts. Planting works in seven districts have commenced and all 18 projects would be completed within 2026.

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48	Enhance the visitor experience by developing innovative immigration clearance models: • Work towards the target of getting the new Huanggang Port ready for commissioning within the current term of the Government;	Task on track. The HKSAR Government is currently conducting drills and tests of various scales at the Huanggang Port Hong Kong Port Area to continuously refine operational arrangements. Upon confirmation by both Hong Kong and Shenzhen sides that the port is ready for safe, reliable operation, the governments of Guangdong and Hong Kong will finalise the official opening date of the port and make timely announcements to the public. It is estimated that the Huanggang Port can come into operation in Q4 2026.
	• Complete the engineering feasibility study for the Sha Tau Kok Control Point redevelopment project within 2025;	Task completed. The engineering feasibility study for the Sha Tau Kok Control Point redevelopment project was completed in 2025.
	• Install a total of 26 additional e-Channels at the Arrival Hall of the HKIA by phases starting from Q1 2026;	Task completed. Additional e-Channels have been installed at the Arrival Hall of the HKIA by phases starting from Q1 2026, including the installation of 12 new e-Channels at the Central Arrival Hall of the HKIA.
	• Relax in Q1 2026 the e-Channel application requirement of having visited Hong Kong via the HKIA to no fewer than two times in the past 24 months; and	Task completed. The Immigration Department (ImmD) relaxed the eligibility criteria for the e-Channel service for frequent visitors on 27 February 2026.
	• Set up Hong Kong's first "contactless clearance" pilot checkpoint at the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port in Q2 2026. (SB)	Task completed. The ImmD launched the "Seamless e-Channel" at the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port on 25 June 2026, setting up the first "contactless clearance" pilot checkpoint in Hong Kong.
49	Regarding the issue of subdivided units (SDUs), the Housing Bureau (HB) will seek the passage of the bill on the Basic Housing Units (BHUs) regulatory regime by the LegCo within 2025 for eradicating substandard SDUs. The regime will be implemented in March 2026 under which registration for pre-existing SDUs in residential buildings shall be conducted and a grace period for their alteration to BHUs shall be granted, with applications for recognition as BHUs to be accepted concurrently. (HB)	Task completed. The BHUs Bill was passed by the LegCo in September 2025 and the BHU regime has been rolled out starting from March 2026 in an orderly manner under the principle of "registration first, enforcement later". The HB is accepting applications for grace-period registration for pre-existing SDUs in residential buildings, as well as applications for recognition as BHUs for SDUs complying with minimum standards of living conditions.

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50	Enrich the housing ladder: Relax the alienation restriction period of new subsidised sale flats (SSFs) offered for sale in the open market from 15 years to 10 years starting from the next Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) and Green Form Subsidised Home Ownership Scheme (GSH) sale exercises;	Task completed. Starting from the HOS 2025 and the GSH 2025 exercises, the alienation restriction period of new SSFs offered for sale in the open market has been relaxed from 15 years to 10 years.
	Starting from the next White Form Secondary Market Scheme (WSM) exercise, increase the quota by 1 000 to 7 000 in total, with half of the additional quotas allocated to young family and one-person applicants aged below 40;	Task completed. Starting from WSM 2025, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA) has increased the total quotas to 7 000, with half of the additional quotas allocated to young family and one-person applicants aged below 40.
	Launch the Flat-for-Flat Scheme for Elderly Owners of SSFs under the HKHA within 2026;	Task on track. The HKHA's Flat-for-Flat Scheme for Elderly Owners will start receiving applications from end-September 2026.
	The HKHA and the Hong Kong Housing Society will introduce a pilot scheme within 2026, allowing those who have owned an SSF for 10 years or more to let their flats with unpaid premium to eligible White Form applicants after paying a letting permit fee; and	Task on track. The HKHA's Letting Scheme for Subsidised Sale Developments with Premium Unpaid (White Form) will start receiving applications from end-September 2026, allowing those who have owned an SSF for 10 years or more to let their flats with unpaid premium to eligible White Form applicants after paying a letting permit fee.
	Announce the preliminary findings of the study on the redevelopment of Model Housing Estate in 2026-27. (HB)	Task on track. The redevelopment study for Model Housing Estate is currently underway, and the preliminary findings will be announced in 2026-27.
51	Commence a study on existing industrial stock in 2025, and put forward recommendations within 2026 including the way forward for the Revitalisation Scheme for Industrial Buildings. (DEVB)	Task on track. The DEVB commenced the "Study on Utilisation of Existing Industrial Stock" in 2025, and will put forward recommendations by end-2026 including the way forward for the Revitalisation Scheme for Industrial Buildings.
52	Reduce construction cost: Implement central procurement strategy in the first half of 2026, piloting in steel reinforcement and Modular Integrated Construction modules;	Task completed. The DEVB has invited the market to submit expressions of interest for the central procurement for steel reinforcement and Modular Integrated Construction modules in April and July 2026 respectively. The tender for central procurement for steel reinforcement was launched in July 2026.
	Implement from 2026 onwards the project cost management platform to fully digitalise the entire project cost management process; and	Task completed. The DEVB launched the first phase of the project cost management platform in August 2026 to examine major variations of works projects.

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	Complete within 2026 the first batch of review on standards, including concrete strength and load bearing capacity of foundations. (DEVB)	Task on track. The DEVB has commissioned the Hong Kong Institute of Building Technology to review a number of construction standards and requirements that have been adopted locally for many years and have a significant impact on construction costs. The first batch of review on standards will be completed as scheduled within 2026.
53	Enhance cost-effectiveness of public housing construction: Enhance the database of building materials within 2026. The approval process of material submission will be shortened to within one month if contractors adopt materials from the database; and starting from 2026-27, benchmark Guobiao Standards with other international standards and incorporate them into specifications of new tenders; and	Task on track. The HKHA has enhanced and expanded the database of building materials, and will shorten the vetting time for the use of materials listed on the database to one month starting from December 2026. The HKHA is also conducting the benchmarking of Guobiao Standards with other international standards, and will incorporate Guobiao Standards into the specifications of construction works for new works tenders starting from December 2026.
	For Occupation Permit (OP) application for public housing projects, starting from 2026-27, at least half of the projects will adopt pre-OP inspection such that the OP processing time can be shortened to 10 working days; and at least half of the public housing projects will adopt a self-developed “BIM-enabled Systematic Approach to Foundation Design” for generating the foundation design to further save construction cost. (HB)	Task completed. The HKHA has conducted pre-OP inspections for more than half of the projects as planned, in order to expedite the vetting and approval process for projects. The HKHA has also identified suitable projects for adopting the self-developed “BIM-enabled Systematic Approach to Foundation Design” for design of foundation for more than half of the projects.
54	Commence within 2025 consultation on specific proposals to make use of land for new developments to promote urban redevelopment. (DEVB)	Task completed. The DEVB conducted consultation to listen to relevant stakeholders’ views for about two months since October 2025. The initiatives on cross-district transfer of plot ratio and the provision of bonus plot ratio for specified redevelopment projects in designated areas have been implemented since August 2026. As regards the idea of utilising reserved sites at NDAs for the Urban Renewal Authority to construct new housing units for use as replacement flats under a new “Flat-for-Flat” Scheme to be introduced, details are being worked out for consultation in 2027.

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55	Press ahead with the tendering of the smart and green mass transit system project in Kai Tak with a view to awarding the contract; and invite tenders for the projects in East Kowloon and the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen NDA within 2026. (TLB)	Task on track. The tendering of the smart and green mass transit system project in Kai Tak was closed on 14 August 2026, with the contract expected to be awarded within 2026. Tenders for the project in East Kowloon were invited on 17 July 2026. The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) also invited tenders for the road works of the first phase of the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen NDA project in April 2026.
56	Introduce a bill into the LegCo to set up a regulatory framework applicable to different mass transit system technologies and operators within 2026. (TLB)	Task on track. The Government is taking forward the legislative drafting exercise, with the aim of introducing the Bill into the LegCo by end-2026.
57	Launch trials of “remotely operated autonomous vehicles” (i.e. without an onboard backup operator, only with a remote backup operator), and facilitate the connection of autonomous vehicles to other modes of transport; and extend trials to cross-district applications within 2026. (TLB)	Task completed. The trial of the fully remotely-operated function of autonomous vehicles on Airport Island was launched in July 2026, representing the first pilot licence trial for driverless autonomous vehicle. Meanwhile, projects connecting autonomous vehicles to different transport modes and cross-district applications are also progressing in an orderly manner.
58	Enhance the public healthcare system:	
	The HA to implement arrangements to streamline the patient journey for the elderly, persons with disabilities, and pregnant women by Q2 2026;	Task completed. The HA established Care Counters or Care Points in Q2 2026 to enhance support for the elderly, persons with disabilities and pregnant women, thereby improving patient experience.
	The HA to set up a Stroke Centre in accordance with the national accreditation standards and a “Green Channel” for acute stroke patients at Prince of Wales Hospital, and to submit the application for accreditation as a National Stroke Centre within 2026;	Task completed. The HA officially set up a Stroke Centre at Prince of Wales Hospital in April 2026. A “Green Channel” for acute stroke patients has also been in operation, and the application for accreditation as a National Stroke Centre has been made.
	Reduce the 90th percentile waiting time of stable new case bookings for the specialty Surgery at the HA’s Specialist Out-patient Clinics by 10% in 2026-27;	Task on track. The HA is working to reduce the waiting time of stable new case bookings for the specialty Surgery through implementing measures such as increasing manpower for handling new cases, establishing an electronic referral platform and developing referral references; it is expected that the target of 10% reduction (i.e. no more than 85 weeks) will be met in 2026-27.
	Establish an ambulatory cataract surgery centre at Queen Elizabeth Hospital in 2027;	Task on track. The HA has preliminarily reviewed the service model and the support package required. Planning work for the ambulatory cataract surgery centre at Queen Elizabeth Hospital is underway.

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	Implement the hospital accreditation programme at Kwong Wah Hospital and Princess Margaret Hospital in 2026-27; and	Task on track. Princess Margaret Hospital and Kwong Wah Hospital are actively proceeding with the preparatory work for accreditation, and on-site surveys will be conducted within 2026-27.
	Launch the “Degenerative Knee Joint Management Programme” on a pilot basis in two hospital clusters in Q1 2026; and to fully implement the programme across various clusters in 2026-27. (HHB)	Task on track. The “Degenerative Knee Joint Management Programme” commenced in the New Territories West and Kowloon West Clusters on a pilot basis in Q1 2026.
59	The Task Group on New Medical School to complete a thorough study of the funding arrangements and financial sustainability of the proposals and provide a final recommendation on the establishment of the new medical school to the Government by end-2025. (HHB)	Task completed. The Chief Executive in Council approved on 18 November 2025 the establishment of the third medical school by the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, which shall aim to admit the first cohort of 50 students in the 2028/29 academic year.
60	Strengthen primary healthcare services: Announce details of the hepatitis B screening programme in December 2025; and	Task completed. The Government announced the introduction of risk-based hepatitis B screening and management on a pilot basis in December 2025. The Hepatitis B Co-care Scheme was subsequently launched on 7 February 2026.
	Develop the Chronic Disease Co-care Platform by phases starting from end-2026. (HHB)	Task completed. The Government launched the Primary Healthcare Co-care Network (referred to as “Chronic Disease Co-care Platform” in the 2025 Policy Address) on 13 March 2026.
61	Enhance cancer prevention, screening, diagnosis and treatment: Implement Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Testing of Self-collected Samples in District Health Centres (DHCs)/DHC Expresses in 2025-26;	Task completed. The Primary Healthcare Commission piloted the self-sampling of HPV for testing in the three Women Wellness Satellites in early 2026. The service has been progressively expanded to DHCs/DHC Expresses across 18 districts of Hong Kong as a value-added service since March 2026.
	The HA to set up integrated multi-disciplinary team diagnostic and treatment pathways for patients suspected of or diagnosed with cancer, and augment the number of day beds and manpower in different clusters in order to increase service capacity by Q1 2027 to provide 12 000 additional Specialist Out-patient attendances annually, over 5 000 additional chemotherapy attendances annually, and nine additional operating theatre sessions per week; and	Task on track. The HA is increasing service capacity for patients suspected of or diagnosed with cancer as planned, and is expected to provide about 12 000 additional Specialist Out-patient attendances, over 5 000 additional chemotherapy attendances and nine additional operating theatre sessions per week in 2026-27.

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	The HA to build up laboratory capacity in 2026-27 to additionally provide a total of approximately 14 000 cancer diagnosis related tests and about 350 minimal residual disease assays for monitoring the conditions of adult myeloid blood cancer patients. (HHB)	Task on track. The HA has built up laboratory capacity, and is expected to additionally provide a total of approximately 14 000 cancer diagnosis related tests and about 350 minimal residual disease assays in 2026-27.
62	Promote the development of Chinese Medicine (CM):	
	The Chinese Medicine Hospital of Hong Kong (CMHHK) and the permanent premises of the Government Chinese Medicines Testing Institute to operate in phases starting from end-2025;	Task completed. The CMHHK and the permanent premises of the Government Chinese Medicines Testing Institute commenced operation in phases from 11 December 2025.
	Host the GBA Conference on Inheritance, Innovation and Development of Traditional Chinese Medicine in end-2025;	Task completed. The Health Bureau (HHB) conducted the GBA Conference on Inheritance, Innovation and Development of Traditional Chinese Medicine on 2 December 2025.
	With the phased operation of the CMHHK starting from December 2025, progressively expand the sharable scope of electronic health records between CM and western medicine practitioners; and	Task completed. CM practitioners registered under eHealth can access, with patients' consent, their Chinese Medicine and Western Medicine medical records starting from 11 December 2025.
	Take forward the development of integrated Chinese-Western medicine services by expanding the HA's "knee osteoarthritis" programme to seven hospital clusters in 2025-26, and commence the "palliative care" pilot programme on a trial basis in two public hospitals. (HHB)	Task completed. The integrated Chinese-Western medicine pilot programme on "knee osteoarthritis" was expanded to seven hospital clusters in 2025-26, while the one on "palliative care for organ failure/degenerative diseases" was also successfully launched across two hospital clusters in March 2026. The HA will continue to review and enhance the services.
63	Promote mental health:	
	Regularise the Three-tier School-based Emergency Mechanism in all secondary schools across the city, and extend the mechanism on a pilot basis to the upper primary levels of all primary schools in the 2025/26 school year; (EDB, HHB, LWB)	Task completed. The Three-tier School-based Emergency Mechanism has been regularised for implementation in all secondary schools in Hong Kong since 1 December 2025, and was extended on a trial basis to the upper primary levels in the 2025/26 school year.
	Expand the Healthy Mind Pilot Project by phases to cover six more districts (i.e. a total of nine DHCs) starting from 2026; (HHB)	Task on track. The HHB is conducting the tendering exercise for the project, which is expected to be completed in Q4 2026 with service contracts also covering the six additional districts.

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	Submit the report on Stepped Care Model on Mental Health by end-2025; and (HHB)	Task completed. The Advisory Committee on Mental Health submitted the framework for the Stepped Care Model on Mental Health to the Government in December 2025.
	Introduce a special recognition category under the Mental Health Workplace Charter in 2026 to commend schools and organisations for arranging a specific number of staff members to receive training in relation to mental health. (HHB)	Task on track. The DH is drawing up detailed arrangements, and will introduce a special recognition category as planned.
64	Enhance the electric vehicle (EV) charging network: Provide 3 000 fast chargers under the Fast Charger Incentive Scheme by end-2028; and	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, applications for 1 230 fast chargers have been received, of which over 760 fast chargers have been granted with acknowledgement notices.
	Plan for the tendering for the conversion of six petrol filling station sites into fast charging stations by end-2026. (EEB)	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, four petrol filling station sites have been sold as fast charging stations, another is under tender and the remaining one is tentatively scheduled for tender at end-2026.
65	Enhance waste reduction and recycling: Formulate the relevant subsidiary legislation regarding the producer responsibility schemes on EV batteries, plastic beverage containers and beverage cartons. The consultation with industries is underway and, in the light of the actual situation, the LegCo Panel on Environmental Affairs will also be consulted within 2026; and	Task on track. The EPD will continue the consultation with industries on the relevant producer responsibility schemes, and plans to consult the LegCo Panel on Environmental Affairs within 2026.
	Gradually transform the operation of 82 Recycling Stores into self-service smart recycling facilities by end-2026 as regards the community recycling network of GREEN@COMMUNITY. (EEB)	Task completed. 82 Recycling Stores of GREEN@COMMUNITY across the territory have been transformed into self-service smart recycling facilities since August 2026.
66	Develop the GBA into an international first-class beautiful bay area, and complete the following initiatives by end-2027: Further improve the water quality of key waterfront areas, and reduce the amount of sewage discharged at highly polluted outfalls by half, using 2022 as the base year; and	Task on track. The EPD continues to conduct investigations on sewer misconnections in Central, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hung Hom and Kwun Tong, and actively follow up and rectify misconnection cases.

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	Include Mirs Bay and Port Shelter of the HKSAR in the List of National “Beautiful Bays”. (EEB)	Task on track. Following Hong Kong’s Mirs Bay being selected as the national “Outstanding Example of Beautiful Bays” in December 2025, the EPD has submitted an application in June 2026 for including Port Shelter in the List of National “Beautiful Bays”.
67	Enhance support for SMEs: To launch internal guidelines on the new “joint-vetting” mechanism to expedite applications for outside seating accommodation of restaurants in Q4 2025 for implementation by departments; (DCSO, EEB)	Task completed. Following the issuance of internal guidelines in end-2025, relevant departments have implemented the new “joint-vetting” mechanism and streamlined procedures to process applications for outside seating accommodation of restaurants since April 2026.
	Expand the geographical scope of the BUD Fund to cover eight more economies, including B&R countries within 2026; and (CEDB)	Task completed. The Government has expanded the geographical scope of the BUD Fund to cover eight more economies (namely Saudi Arabia, Bangladesh, Egypt, Hungary, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Mongolia and Brazil), with effect from 15 June 2026.
	Implement the enhanced Digital Transformation Support Pilot Programme within 2026 to provide SMEs with subsidies on a matching basis to enable them to apply basic and practical AI and cybersecurity solutions. (ITIB)	Task on track. The Government is actively preparing the enhanced Digital Transformation Support Pilot Programme with a view to launching it as soon as possible.
68	Introduce a new, unified brand for local agricultural and fisheries products in mid-2026 to enhance the competitiveness of local produce. (EEB)	Task completed. The AFCD launched the new unified brand for local agricultural and fisheries products, Hong Kong Harvest, in June 2026.
69	Grant permission to the first batch of restaurants that can allow dogs to enter in mid-2026. (EEB)	Task completed. Permitted restaurants are allowed to admit dogs starting from 9 July 2026. A total of 1 000 places have been allocated by ballot in the first phase.
70	Collaborate with the Employees Retraining Board (ERB) to take forward reform in the medium to long term, including renaming the ERB and amending the Employees Retraining Ordinance to reflect its new positioning, with the target of completing the legislative amendments by mid-2027. (LWB)	Task on track. The Employees Retraining (Amendment) Bill 2026 was introduced into the LegCo for First and Second Readings on 8 July 2026, and is under scrutiny by the Bills Committee. The target is to complete the legislative amendment exercise by mid-2027.
71	Release the results of the mid-term update of the manpower projections in 2026 to provide the latest information on the manpower situation in relation to the key industries driving Hong Kong’s economic growth and essential services supporting the city’s operation. (LWB)	Task on track. The findings of the mid-term update of the Manpower Projection are targeted for release by Q4 2026.

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72	Submit legislative proposals for improving the work injury compensation mechanism for digital platform workers through legislation within 2026. (LWB)	Task on track. The Government has briefed the Labour Advisory Board and the LegCo Panel on Manpower on the legislative framework, and planned to put forth the legislative proposals by end-2026.
73	Launch the fourth cohort of the Strive and Rise Programme by end-2025, enabling no less than 70% of mentees who have completed the one-year programme to achieve improvement in terms of personal development and positive thinking. (LWB)	Task on track. The Government has rolled out the fourth cohort of the Strive and Rise Programme. Evaluation of the cohort is underway and will be completed in 2026-27.
74	To hold the first meeting of the Working Group on Ageing Society Strategies in Q4 2025 and submit a report in 2026. (DCSO)	Task on track. The Working Group on Ageing Society Strategies completed the report, the scope of which is comprehensive and recommends about 70 measures across 11 areas. The report will be released shortly.
75	Introduce a bill into the LegCo in 2026 to extend the claim period of additional child allowance for newborns from one year to two years. (FSTB)	Task completed. The Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Tax Concessions, Concessionary Deductions and Allowances) Bill 2026 was passed by the LegCo on 13 May 2026.
76	Promote positive parent education: • Launch the Workplace Parent Education Programmes in the 2025/26 school year to encourage working parents to participate in parent education activities; and	Task completed. The EDB organised 12 seminars under three cohorts of the Workplace Parent Education Programmes in the 2025/26 school year.
	• Launch the Parent Education Resource Package for Secondary Schools in 2026 to further support schools in implementing school-based parent education programmes. (EDB)	Task completed. The EDB launched the Parent Education Resource Package for Secondary Schools in January 2026.
77	Strengthen the support for ethnic minorities (EMs): • Set up one additional EM Care Team in the North District and Islands District respectively in 2026 to provide services for EMs moving into the NDAs more effectively; (HYAB)	Task completed. An additional EM Care Team was set up in April 2026 in the two Support Service Centres for EMs serving the North District and Islands District respectively.
	• Establish a Youth Network and a Women's Network at the 10 Support Service Centres for EMs in 2026 and organise activities specifically for EM youth and women to benefit no less than 4 000 attendances annually; and (HYAB)	Task completed. A Youth Network and a Women's Network were established in April 2026 in each of the 10 Support Service Centres for EMs.

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	Extend the pilot project for two years to provide emotional support and counselling service for EMs in 2026. (HHB)	Task completed. The HHB extended the pilot project for two years to provide emotional support and counselling service for EMs in December 2025.
78	Introduce a pilot scheme in the first half of 2026 to enhance the inspection and testing procedures for handling water seepage problems. (DCSO)	Task completed. A Joint Office set up by the Buildings Department and the FEHD announced the launch of the pilot scheme on 17 June 2026. The new procedures are being tried out city-wide since 16 July 2026.
79	By end-2025, the FSD will launch the Pilot Scheme on the Internet of Things (IoT) fire detection system, under which IoT fire detection system and fire extinguishers will be installed as an alternative to traditional fire service installations and equipment. (SB)	Task completed. The installation of the IoT fire detection system in 10 target buildings had been completed under the Pilot Scheme on the IoT fire detection system with evaluation successfully passed. For target buildings of six or less storeys, the FSD issued a circular to registered fire service installation contractors on 30 April 2026 to formally accept IoT fire detection system with portable fire extinguishers as an alternative to specific building fire service installations and equipment.

(II) On-going and Valid Indicators for Specified Tasks Introduced in the 2025 Policy Address

No.	Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
1	Continue to step up the promotion of the Constitution, the Basic Law and patriotism by organising no less than 750 promotional activities with no less than 950 000 participants and attaining no less than 27 million views via online publicity in 2026. (CSO, CMAB, relevant bureaux)	Task on track. The Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau will continue to actively promote the Constitution, the Basic Law and patriotism. It is expected that the indicators will be achieved.
2	Continue to promote patriotic education in the community: • Organise no less than 50 activities to promote Chinese culture and history annually; and • Organise a major thematic exhibition to showcase the development and achievements of our country annually. A total attendance of no less than 700 000 per year is expected for the above initiatives. (CSTB)	Task on track. The LCSD has launched over 100 activities as at mid-September 2026. A thematic exhibition on the development and achievements of our country will be staged at the Hong Kong Museum of History in October 2026, highlighting the history of Ta Teh Institute in Tuen Mun and its significant contribution to the country.
3	Continue to promote patriotic education on and off campus within the 2025/26 school year: • Conduct focus inspections on national education in at least 50 schools to enhance the quality and effectiveness of national education;	Task completed. In the 2025/26 school year, the EDB conducted focus inspections on national education in 50 schools to enhance the quality and effectiveness of national education.
	• Provide training places for about 1 000 junior secondary Chinese History teachers who are not major in History;	Task completed. By the end of the 2025/26 school year, over 1 000 teachers have attended the training sessions. To sustain our support for teachers' professional development, training places will continue to be offered in the coming school year.
	• Provide no less than 40 itineraries for students to experience the founding history of our country through Mainland exchange programmes and study tours; and	Task completed. In the 2025/26 school year, the EDB provided over 40 itineraries covering revolutionary historical sites, museums, thematic memorial halls, etc. for students to experience the founding history of our country through Mainland exchange programmes and study tours.
	• Arrange for no less than 30 000 participants to join in activities under the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series. (EDB)	Task completed. The “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series of activities for the 2025/26 school year were successfully held. The attendance exceeded 50 000, far higher than expected.

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4	Promote new energy development: Set a usage target for sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) within 2025 to speed up the reduction of carbon emissions by the aviation industry; (TLB)	Task completed. The Government announced in 2025 the target of achieving a SAF consumption ratio of 1% to 2% for flights departing from the HKIA by 2030; and further proposed achieving a 1% to 3% SAF consumption ratio by 2030 in Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan announced in 2026.
	Formulate the approach of hydrogen standard certification suitable to Hong Kong by 2027 or earlier; and (EEB)	Task on track. The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) completed trade consultation on formulating a green hydrogen and low carbon hydrogen certification framework in April 2026 and will commence pilot projects in Hong Kong and the Mainland in collaboration with major hydrogen energy enterprises with a view to launching the certification scheme in 2027.
	Establish hydrogen filling facilities in the Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories by 2027 or earlier. (EEB)	Task on track. The EMSD has completed Quantitative Risk Assessments for the two prospective sites in Sham Shui Po and Chai Wan, and is formulating technical proposals for establishing hydrogen filling facilities and discussing with relevant energy companies to ascertain their interest in operating the facilities.
5	Continue to promote Hong Kong as the functional platform for the B&R Initiative in 2026: Organise promotional programmes and networking sessions to be attended by no less than 7 500 persons in total;	Task on track. The Belt and Road Office (BRO) is organising various promotional programmes and networking sessions.
	Reach out to no less than 560 professional and business associations, chambers and community groups; and	Task completed. The BRO has already reached out to over 560 professional and business associations, chambers and community groups.
	Organise business missions to five B&R countries with about 120 participants in total. (CEDB)	Task on track. The BRO is organising and assisting to organise business delegations to visit different B&R countries. Among these, the Chief Executive led a delegation comprising representatives from the business community and enterprises of Hong Kong and the Mainland to visit Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan from 31 May to 6 June 2026.
6	Organise about 20 professional anti-corruption training programmes for anti-corruption and related organisations worldwide and about 10 training programmes for local public and private sectors within 2026, benefitting around 2 000 members of these parties. (ICAC)	Task on track. As at mid-September 2026, the Hong Kong International Academy Against Corruption has organised 18 international and nine local training programmes for over 2 000 graft fighters. A number of these programmes were organised in collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime as well as anti-corruption agencies worldwide.

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7	Take forward the setting up of a GBA legal information platform within the first half of 2026 to foster collaboration in the GBA. (DoJ)	Task completed. The DoJ launched the GBA Legal Information Platform on 30 June 2026.
8	Seek early accession to the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) by holding or participating in 70 related events to liaise with RCEP members and stakeholders within 2026. (CEDB)	Task on track. As of end-August 2026, the Government has organised or participated in 43 related events to liaise with RCEP members and stakeholders. The Trade and Industry Department and overseas Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices will continue to liaise with RCEP members and stakeholders proactively, so as to rally support from all parties and sectors for Hong Kong's early accession to the RCEP.
9	Continue to promote opportunities in the GBA within 2026 by organising and participating in promotional programmes and networking sessions to be attended by no less than 10 500 participants, reaching out to no less than 1 250 entrepreneurs and representatives of business firms. (CMAB)	Task on track. As of mid-September 2026, various promotional programmes and networking sessions were attended by around 8 500 participants, and around 1 200 entrepreneurs and representatives of business firms were reached out to.
10	Continue to promote Hong Kong's strengths and opportunities in the Mainland via the Mainland Offices in 2026 by organising no less than 3 400 visits to Mainland authorities or bodies, attending no less than 290 speaking occasions, conducting no less than 350 media interviews or briefings, and participating in no less than 880 business and trade meetings. (CMAB)	Task on track. As of mid-September 2026, the Mainland Offices had organised about 2 600 visits to Mainland authorities or bodies, attended about 230 speaking occasions, conducted about 280 media interviews or briefings, and participated in about 650 business and trade meetings. The Mainland Offices will continue to actively promote Hong Kong's strengths and opportunities in the Mainland.
11	Expand the Flight Token service to cover 80% of the departing passengers at the HKIA within 2026 to enable them to use facial recognition for passage through various checkpoints at the airport. (TLB)	Task on track. The Flight Token service has covered about 79% of the departing passengers as of August 2026.

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12	Participate in three international education exhibitions annually to promote the “Study in Hong Kong” brand via collaboration with local post-secondary institutions, with a view to promoting the development of an international post-secondary education hub. (EDB)	Task on track. The EDB has established the “Task Force on Study in Hong Kong” and organised the inaugural “Study in Hong Kong Week”, during which the 2026 Asia-Pacific Association for International Education Annual Conference and Exhibition (APAIE) was held in Hong Kong as its flagship event. Being the largest of its kind to date, the event aims at further promoting Hong Kong’s post-secondary education and attracting top-notch talent globally. In addition to the APAIE, the Heads of Universities Committee’s Standing Committee on Internationalisation comprising all eight University Grants Committee (UGC)-funded universities, also participated in the NAFSA Annual Conference and Expo and the European Association for International Education Conference and Exhibition in 2026, and jointly set up a Hong Kong Pavilion to promote the “Study in Hong Kong” brand.
13	Promote STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics) education in primary and secondary schools: • Provide at least 8 000 places for relevant competitions and training organised by the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education in the 2025/26 school year;	Task completed. In the 2025/26 school year, the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education provided no less than 8 000 places for relevant competitions and training.
	• At least 700 schools to participate in the Quality Education Fund e-Learning Funding Programme annually in the 2025/26 to 2026/27 school years; and	Task on track. Over 700 schools participated in the Quality Education Fund e-Learning Funding Programme in the 2025/26 school year.
	• Arrange for at least one Mathematics teacher in each publicly-funded secondary school to undergo professional development training on mathematical modelling by the end of the 2025/26 school year. (EDB)	Task completed. All publicly-funded secondary schools have arranged for at least one Mathematics teacher to undergo professional development training on mathematical modelling by the end of the 2025/26 school year.
14	Enhance support for schools, teachers and students: • Arrange for at least 40 Mainland expert teachers to Hong Kong every school year and introduce cross-curricular support initiatives; and	Task on track. The EDB arranged for 40 Mainland expert teachers to visit Hong Kong for exchange and collaboration in the 2025/26 school year.
	• Implement the Navigators for Excellence in Education Training Programme on a three-year pilot basis starting from the 2024/25 school year for 50 potential leading teachers and principals each year. (EDB)	Task on track. The Navigators for Excellence in Education Training Programme runs for three years, with each cohort providing 50 teachers and principals with one year of continuous, diverse and in-depth training. The first two cohorts have been completed successfully.

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15	Continue to enhance post-secondary education by encouraging UGC-funded universities to increase relevance of their programmes to future economic development such that: - Students in UGC-funded universities studying in STEAM disciplines will reach around 35% by the 2026/27 academic year; - Students in UGC-funded universities studying in disciplines relevant to “the eight centres” will reach around 60% by the 2026/27 academic year; and	Task completed. The UGC-funded universities have introduced programmes related to STEAM and “the eight centres” during the 2025-28 triennium, fusing technology and other areas to embrace the era of AI. The relevant indicators for specified tasks have been met.
	Provide opportunities of learning experience outside Hong Kong for around 50% of local undergraduate students of UGC-funded universities within the 2025/26 academic year. (EDB)	Task on track. The UGC-funded universities are utilising funding under the “Funding Scheme for Chinese Mainland and Global Engagement and Student Learning Experience” to provide learning experiences outside Hong Kong for local undergraduates of the UGC-funded universities. The EDB will review the relevant figures within 2026 to ensure that the relevant indicators are met.
16	Set up research and development (R&D) centres under the third InnoHK research cluster progressively starting from the first half of 2026, with the focus on sustainable development, energy, advanced manufacturing and materials. (ITIB)	Task completed. The Government has approved eight R&D centres for admission to the third InnoHK research cluster, with total funding support from the Government of around \$2.5 billion. Relevant work to set up the laboratories are in progress.
17	Promote start-up and talent development: Increase under the Innovation and Technology Venture Fund the cumulative private investment attracted for local I&T start-ups from \$1.7 billion in 2022 to no less than \$4 billion in 2027 to nurture start-ups;	Task completed in advance. As at end-August 2026, the cumulative private investment attracted under the Innovation and Technology Venture Fund for local I&T start-ups has amounted to about \$5.5 billion.
	Increase the cumulative number of applications approved for subsidising the recruitment of R&D talents under the Research Talent Hub Scheme from around 10 500 in 2022 to 18 500 in 2027; and	Task on track. As at mid-August 2026, the Innovation and Technology Commission has approved a cumulative number of about 16 900 applications under the Research Talent Hub Scheme, and the target number of 18 500 is expected to be reached within 2027.
	Increase the number of student interns under the STEM Internship Scheme from 3 000 in 2022 to 5 000 in 2027. (ITIB)	Task on track. Around 3 600 internship opportunities were offered under the STEM Internship Scheme in 2025-26.

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18	Promote new industrialisation: • Increase under the New Industrialisation Funding Scheme the cumulative number of funded smart production lines in Hong Kong from about 30 in 2022 to no fewer than 130 in 2027, with the corresponding cumulative skilled employment opportunities increasing from about 260 to no fewer than 1 050, and the cumulative matching private investment rising from about \$340 million to no less than \$1.3 billion during the same period;	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, applications supported by the New Industrialisation Vetting Committee involved more than 130 production lines.
	• Double the supply of floor area for advanced manufacturing in the InnoParks from no less than 100 000 square metres in 2022 to no less than 200 000 square metres in 2027; and	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, the floor area for advanced manufacturing in the InnoParks has been increased to around 176 000 square metres. It is expected that the target of doubling the floor area to no less than 200 000 square metres will be achieved within 2027.
	• Attract 50 to 100 enterprises to set up new smart production facilities in Hong Kong with a corresponding direct investment of no less than \$20 billion from these enterprises under the New Industrialisation Acceleration Scheme starting from 2024-25 over a period of five to eight years. (ITIB)	Task on track. As at September 2026, the New Industrialisation Vetting Committee has announced its support for nine applications with investments from enterprises amounting to around \$3 billion.
19	Continue to work towards the goal of acquiring institutional autonomy in conducting substantive patent examination in 2030 to foster the development of the patent system in Hong Kong. (CEDB)	Task in progress. The IPD will, with the additional resources obtained, continue to enhance the substantive examination capability of patent examiners under the original grant patent system, in a bid to acquire institutional autonomy in conducting substantive patent examination in all major technology fields in 2030.
20	Continue to forge ahead with the preparatory work for implementing the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks in Hong Kong in 2026. (CEDB)	Task on track. The CEDB and the IPD will continue to forge ahead with the preparatory work for implementing the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks in Hong Kong, including discussing with relevant parties the detailed arrangements applicable to Hong Kong.
21	Promote IP public education, human resources training and professional services within the five years from 2022 to 2027 through the following measures: • Promote the awareness of respecting and protecting IP rights among 200 000 students; and	Target completed in advance. The IPD has already promoted the awareness of respecting and protecting IP rights to over 230 000 students from 2022 to 2026.

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	Attract about 10 000 local, Mainland and overseas participants to attend the annual Business of IP Asia Forum. (CEDB)	Task on track. The 2025 Business of IP Asia Forum attracted the attendance of more than 3 300 local, Mainland and overseas participants. The 2026 Business of IP Asia Forum will be held from 19 to 20 November.
22	Continue to cultivate positive thinking of young people: Nurture positive thinking of young people through youth-led projects involving cross-sectoral efforts to benefit no less than 30 000 attendances;	Task on track, i.e. no less than 6 000 attendances each round. The first round of the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau (HYAB) Funding Scheme for Youth Positive Thinking Activities benefitted about 23 000 youth attendances. Sponsored projects under the second round of the scheme have started rolling out related activities in the summer of 2025 for a period of two years. It is expected that they will benefit about 20 000 attendances in total.
	Provide systematic and quality adventure training activities to young people for no less than 50 000 attendances; and	Task on track, i.e. no less than 10 000 attendances each round. The first round of the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Adventure Training Activities benefitted about 16 000 youth attendances. Sponsored projects under the second round of the scheme have started rolling out related activities in the summer of 2025 for a period of two years. It is expected that they will benefit about 17 000 attendances.
	No less than 70% of responding participants to consider themselves having developed a positive outlook on life after joining any of the above projects or activities. (HYAB)	Task on track. Among the feedback from the first round of the schemes, over 90% of responding participants consider themselves having developed a positive outlook on life after joining any of the above projects or activities.
23	Enhance support for youth development: Organise or provide at least 25 youth development activities for members of the Youth Link within 2026; and	Task completed. More than 25 activities were organised or provided for members of the Youth Link as at end-August 2026.
	No less than 70% of responding schools to consider the activities under the HYAB JC Scheme for Youth Life Planning (2025-28) useful in assisting participants in life planning and deepening their understanding of the opportunities brought by national development. (HYAB)	Task on track. The HYAB JC Scheme for Youth Life Planning (2025-28) has been implemented since the 2025/26 school year. The HYAB will collect and review the feedback from partnering schools after the completion of the scheme.

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24	Continue to enhance youth participation in public affairs by increasing the number of participating advisory bodies under the Member Self-recommendation Scheme (MSSY) for Youth from over 60 in 2022 to no less than 180 by mid-2027. (HYAB)	Task completed. The MSSY Phase 9 and Phase 10 were rolled out in December 2025 and September 2026 respectively. The total number of participating advisory bodies has increased to 180.
25	Continue to take forward the HYAB Funding Scheme for Youth Entrepreneurship in the GBA: No less than 100 funded youth start-up teams in aggregate to have settled in Mainland cities of the GBA by 2026; and	Task completed. As at August 2026, 103 funded youth start-up teams have already settled in Mainland cities of the GBA. The HYAB will continue to support more youth start-up teams in establishing a foothold in Mainland cities of the GBA under the funding scheme.
	No less than 80% of the participants surveyed to consider having enhanced their understanding of business start-up after joining the scheme. (HYAB)	Task on track. Over 90% of responding participants in the previous round of the funding scheme considered it useful in enhancing their understanding of business start-up. The HYAB will collect feedback from participants after the completion of the new round of the funding scheme.
26	Expand the Youth Hostel Scheme to hotels and guesthouses with a view to providing around 3 000 additional places between 2022 and 2027. (HYAB)	Task on track. Six projects approved under the Subsidy Scheme for Using Hotels and Guesthouses as Youth Hostels and two youth hostels whose construction was fully funded by the Government have provided a total of about 2 000 and 1 700 hostel places respectively.
27	To attract talents, approve at least 50 000 visa extension applications annually for talents admitted through talent admission schemes from 2025 to 2027, an increase of no less than 40% over the annual average from 2021 to 2023. (LWB)	Task on track. From January to August 2026, more than 61 000 extension applications under various talent admission schemes were received, of which around 58 000 were approved. The annual indicator for 2026 has been achieved.
28	Provide training allowance for no fewer than 7 000 registered apprentices and subsidise graduated apprentices in undertaking upskilling courses of relevant trades over a three-year period starting from the 2024/25 academic year. (LWB)	Task on track. From the launch of the initiative in April 2024 until end-August 2026, more than 6 040 registered apprentices received additional training allowances, representing more than 86% of the three-year target.
29	In 2026, the HKTE will: Conduct at least 20 outreach visits to the Mainland, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Middle East and North America regions to organise promotional activities for attracting talents; and	Task completed. The HKTE has conducted over 20 outreach visits, and will continue to enhance its outreach and promotional activities.

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	In collaboration with major Mainland cities, organise at least one promotional activity to promote regional development opportunities in attracting overseas talents. (LWB)	Task on track. In October 2026, the HKTE will join a delegation with representatives from governments, enterprises and organisations of Hong Kong and Mainland cities to the United Kingdom to organise a talent showcase to attract overseas talent.
30	The Cultural and Creative Industries Development Agency (CCIDA) to promote the development of the cultural and creative industries by the following initiatives: Support cultural IP creators and producers to propel no less than 34 cultural IP projects cumulatively within five years starting from 2025;	Task on track. As at mid-September 2026, the CCIDA has propelled the development of nine cultural IP projects, and started liaison and planning for the tenth.
	Drive Hong Kong design industries to participate in around 20 design weeks/fashion weeks/expos/exhibitions every year in the Mainland and overseas;	Task on track. As at mid-September 2026, the CCIDA has driven Hong Kong design industries to participate in 13 design weeks/fashion weeks/expos/exhibitions in the Mainland and overseas.
	Promote 60 industry mission trips, overseas exhibitions and showcases each year, so as to open up more business opportunities for Hong Kong's arts and cultural and creative industries by assisting them to conduct business negotiations and organise exhibitions and showcases in Mainland and overseas markets;	Task on track. As at mid-September 2026, the CCIDA has promoted 52 industry mission trips, as well as exhibitions and showcases in the Mainland and overseas.
	Subsidise around 50 projects under the CreateSmart Initiative per year; and	Task completed. As at mid-September 2026, over 50 projects have been approved under the CreateSmart Initiative in 2026.
	Organise the Hong Kong Fashion Design Week each year to attract at least 40 000 participants and 500 000 online views. (CSTB)	Task completed. The third edition of the Hong Kong Fashion Fest was held at various locations in Hong Kong from 1 to 14 September 2026. The number of participants and online views are being calculated.
31	Continue to implement the 10-year Development Blueprint for Arts and Cultural Facilities for the improvement and development of cultural facilities with the following proposals: Phase 1 (2022-2027) - The total number of seats in performance venues is expected to increase from 30 000 to 34 000 (increase by 13%); and - The average annual attendance of performance venues is expected to increase from about 3 million to about 3.4 million (increase by 13%).	Task on track. The Yau Ma Tei Theatre Phase 2 is expected to commence operation in 2027. In addition, the main construction works of the New Territories East Cultural Centre are underway, targeted for completion in 2028.

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	Phase 2 (2027-2032) - The number of museums (including those under planning) is expected to increase from 15 to no less than 20 (increase by more than 33%); - The average annual museum attendance is expected to increase from 5 million to 9 million (increase by 80%); - The total number of seats in performance venues (including those under planning) is expected to increase from 30 000 to about 50 000 (increase by 67%); and - The average annual attendance of performance venues is expected to increase from about 3 million to about 5 million (increase by 67%). (CSTB)	Task in progress. The Government will continue to review the urgency and priority of these works projects under planning, and appropriately update project timelines to utilise public resources more effectively.
32	Promote the safeguarding and passing on of intangible cultural heritage (ICH), as well as the integrated development of culture and tourism by undertaking the following measures each year: Review the bearers of the items on the Representative List of the ICH of Hong Kong and organise no less than 30 activities focusing on passing on, training, promotion, and cultural exchange; and	Task on track. The LCSD announced the mechanism and criteria for recognising the bearers of the items on the Representative List of ICH of Hong Kong in December 2025, and the first batch of the recognised bearers is expected to be announced within 2026. As at mid-September 2026, the LCSD has organised over 30 activities focusing on passing on, training, promotion, and cultural exchange.
	Organise Hong Kong ICH Month to promote Hong Kong's ICH to locals and tourists. It is expected that at least 100 000 participants will join these activities each year. (CSTB)	Task completed. The LCSD organised the second edition of the Hong Kong ICH Month in June 2026, with its major activities and light show attracting attendances of over 250 000 and over 110 000 respectively.
33	Continue to take forward the 10-year Development Blueprint on Sports and Recreation Facilities with the following targets: Phase 1 (2022-2027) 16 projects with implementation launched; and 15 projects with technical feasibility study launched. Phase 2 (2027-2032) 15 projects (with technical feasibility established under Phase 1) with implementation launched. (CSTB)	Task in progress. The Government will continue to review the urgency and priority of these works projects under planning, and appropriately update project timelines to utilise public resources more effectively.

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34	Regarding the issue of SDUs, the Rating and Valuation Department (RVD) to continue to step up enforcement of tenancy control on SDUs in 2025-26 and 2026-27 by checking landlords of no less than 1 000 SDU households annually to see whether they have committed offences for regulated tenancies. (HB)	Task on track. The RVD has completed checking of landlords of more than 1 000 SDU households in 2025-26. As regards the enforcement work in 2026-27, as at mid-September 2026, the RVD has completed checking of landlords of nearly 500 SDU households.
35	Allocate an extra ballot number to applicants who have failed to purchase an HOS flat in the last two consecutive sale exercises starting from the next HOS sale exercise, following the same practice adopted for the GSH 2024. (HB)	Task completed. The HKHA has implemented the relevant arrangement starting from the GSH 2024, and continues to allocate an extra ballot number to applicants who have failed to purchase an SSF in the last two consecutive sale exercises of the same type of SSF in the HOS 2025 and GSH 2025.
36	Allocate an extra ballot number to young family applicants and young one-person applicants aged below 40 with White Form status starting from the next HOS sale exercise, in order to support young people in purchasing SSFs. (HB)	Task completed. Starting from the HOS 2025, the HKHA has allocated an extra ballot number to young family applicants and one-person applicants aged below 40 with White Form status.
37	Adjust the ratio between Green Form and White Form from the existing 40:60 to 50:50 starting from the next HOS sale exercise to encourage more public rental housing (PRH) tenants to buy HOS flats. (HB)	Task completed. Starting from the HOS 2025, the HKHA has adjusted the ratio of Green Form and White Form to 50:50.
38	Establish a Centralised Estate Management and Analytics Platform in 10 selected estates starting from 2025-26, to bring digital technologies in their daily operation for enhancing management efficiency and service quality, in order to promote digitalisation of public housing management and facilitate the application of innovative technologies; and subsequently extend the platform to more housing estates. (HB)	Task completed. The Centralised Estate Management and Analytics Platform was launched in December 2025.
39	Increase public housing supply: Provide about 189 000 public housing units (including traditional PRH, Light Public Housing (LPH), GSH and HOS flats) in the five-year period from 2026-27 to 2030-31, which is comparable to that in the previous five-year period from 2025-26 to 2029-30;	Task on track. As at September 2026, of the traditional public housing units planned for completion from 2026-27 to 2030-31, about 10% are expected to be completed soon, while about 80% of the units are under construction.

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	Complete the remaining about 20 300 and about 200 LPH units in 2026 and the first half of 2027 respectively, ultimately achieving the target of completing the construction of a total of about 30 000 LPH units before 2027-28; and	Task on track. According to the current construction progress, the target of completing about 30 000 LPH units before 2027-28 will be achieved.
	Rationalise PRH resources by vetting no less than 450 000 Income and Assets Declaration Forms under the Well-off Tenants Policies within a two-year cycle, and no less than 800 000 Declaration Forms on Occupancy Status and Particulars of Domestic Property Ownership in Hong Kong/Declaration Forms on Occupancy Status (starting from the declaration cycle in October 2023); and conduct in-depth investigation of no less than 10 000 households involving cases related to income and asset declaration and occupancy position per year. (HB)	Task completed. During the two-year cycle for 2024-26, over 450 000 Income and Assets Declaration Forms and over 800 000 Declaration Forms on Occupancy Status and Particulars of Domestic Property Ownership in Hong Kong were vetted. As for in-depth investigation, about 20 200 cases were completed in 2024-25 and about 16 300 cases were completed in 2025-26, exceeding the annual targets by about 100% and 63% respectively.
40	Reduce the Composite Waiting Time for Subsidised Rental Housing to about 4.5 years in 2026-27. (HB)	Task on track. With the successive completion of PRH and LPH projects, the Composite Waiting Time for Subsidised Rental Housing will move towards the target of reducing to 4.5 years in 2026-27.
41	Improve estate facilities and management: Complete the study and implementation of various improvement measures under the pilot projects of the “Well-being Design” Guide in five PRH estates by 2027; and	Task on track. The consultation and design work for the five relevant PRH estates have been completed. The various improvement works have also been rolled out in phases since 2025 and are expected to be completed on schedule in 2027.
	Select about 10 public housing estates for façade beautification and/or minor estate improvement works and about 20 public housing estates for landscape improvement projects every year. (HB)	Task on track. Good progress has been made on relevant improvement and landscaping works for selected estates from 2024 to 2026, with improvement works in certain estates completed in phases.
42	Arrange for PRH applicants to move in earlier-than-scheduled by advancing the completion of around 10 000 PRH units by phases from 2025-26 to 2027-28, ultimately reaching a total of about 14 000 PRH units from 2023-24 to 2032-33. (HB)	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, the HKHA completed the construction of 3 187 PRH units ahead of schedule. In addition, about 10 000 units are under construction and are expected for advanced completion in phases by 2027-28.

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43	To promote the development of the construction industry, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) has been utilising government funding and its own resources to increase the training quota for skilled construction workers from 10 000 places in the 2022/23 academic year to at least about 12 000 places in each of the academic years from 2023/24 to 2027/28. (DEVB)	Task on track. The CIC will continue to provide over 12 000 training places for skilled construction workers in the 2026/27 academic year.
44	Increase land supply: Update and release annually the 10-year forecast of “spade-ready sites”. Based on the latest forecast, in the next decade (2026-27 to 2035-36), get ready around 2 600 hectares of “spade-ready sites”, among which around 1 800 hectares will come from the NM; and	Task on track. The DEVB duly delivered about 150 hectares of “spade-ready sites” in 2025-26 through various land creation projects, and is expected to achieve the target of delivering around 180 hectares of “spade-ready sites” in 2026-27. The “spade-ready sites” in these two years are primarily in the Tung Chung New Town Extension and the NM. The DEVB has updated the next 10-year forecast to be published shortly.
	Based on the latest forecast, resume around 840 hectares of private land for government projects in five years from 2025-26 to 2029-30. (DEVB)	Task on track. About 154 hectares of land were resumed as at mid-September 2026. For the remaining land pending resumption per the indicator, their resumption procedures will be taken forward as appropriate in the coming years according to the progress of development projects.
45	Extend the total length of the promenade on both sides of the Victoria Harbour by no less than 30% from 25 kilometres as at 2022 to 34 kilometres by end-2028; and stage no less than 30 events/activities at harbourfront sites every year. (DEVB)	Task on track. The total length of the promenade on both sides of the Victoria Harbour will be extended to around 33 kilometres by end-2026, and is expected to be further extended to 34 kilometres by 2028. In addition, over 30 events/activities were organised by various government departments, non-governmental organisations and private parties at harbourfront sites on both sides of the Victoria Harbour between January and end-August 2026.
46	Progressively commence works for improving some sections and providing missing links of a 60-kilometre long Round-the-Island Trail from 2023 onwards, with a view to connecting 90% of the trail by end-2027 and substantially completing the remaining larger scale works by end-2031. (DEVB)	Task on track. Over 85% of the Round-the-Island Trail has been connected.

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47	Starting from 2024, the automated car parks constructed by the AAHK on the artificial island of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port will be completed in phases for use by transit passengers or inbound visitors from Guangdong and Macao. Together with the newly completed government car parks and short-term tenancy car parks to be built by 2026, a total of no less than 3 000 automated parking spaces will be provided. (TLB)	Task on track. The construction of government car parks, short-term tenancy car parks and the AAHK's automated car parks is being completed progressively. Currently, more than 2 000 automated parking spaces have been provided.
48	Advance primary healthcare development: Launch a community pharmacy programme by phases starting from Q4 2026; and	Task on track. The first phase of the Community Pharmacy Programme (CPP) (Community) will be launched in Eastern, Yau Tsim Mong, Yuen Long and Sha Tin districts by end-2026, and expanded to all 18 districts across Hong Kong by Q4 2027. The tender exercise for the first phase of the CPP (Residential Care Homes) will commence in the second half of 2026, with phased implementation expected in 2027.
	Provide dental services for elderly persons with financial difficulties through the Community Dental Support Programme within 2026, supplanting the dental service subsidy under the Community Care Fund. (HHB)	Task completed. The Community Dental Support Programme supplanted the dental service subsidy under the Community Care Fund in January 2026, providing dental services for elderly persons with financial difficulties.
49	Strengthen public healthcare services: Establish an electronic referral platform and develop clinical referral references in eight major specialties to enhance the triage system and ensure proper referrals in 2025-26; and	Task completed. The HA established an electronic referral platform and developed clinical referral references in eight major specialties in 2025-26 to enhance the triage system and ensure proper referrals.
	Increase the capacity of cataract surgeries by at least 5 000 in 2025-26. (HHB)	Task completed. The HA achieved the annual target for 2025-26 to provide 5 000 additional cataract surgeries.
50	Introduce a draft regulation on enhancing the price transparency of private healthcare services into the LegCo in 2026 to enhance the quality of private healthcare services. (HHB)	Task on track. The regulation on enhancing the price transparency of private healthcare services will be introduced to the LegCo by end-2026, and codes of practice will be drawn up.
51	Continue to promote green transport by increasing the total number of public and private parking spaces with charging facilities in Hong Kong to about 200 000 by mid-2027. (EEB)	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, about 174 900 parking spaces across the city were equipped with charging infrastructure for EVs. The target of increasing the number of parking spaces with charging facilities to a total of about 200 000 is expected to be met by mid-2027.

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52	Increase the local mariculture production by 100% as compared to 2022 within 2027. (EEB)	Task on track. With deep-sea cages progressively coming into operation, local mariculture production is expected to increase to about 800 tonnes in 2026, and reach 1 200 tonnes in 2027 (i.e. an increase in local mariculture production by 100% compared to 2022).
53	Strengthen occupational safety and health: Reduce the five-year average industrial accident rate per 1 000 construction workers by at least 10% from 29.8 in 2021 to 26.8 in 2026. (LWB)	Task completed. The five-year average industrial accident rate per 1 000 construction workers in 2025 was 26.4, which was below the 2026 target of 26.8, representing a reduction of over 10% from 29.8 in 2021.
54	Continue to take forward the strategy of targeted poverty alleviation: • Complete the evaluation on the Pilot Programme on Community Living Room within 2025-26 with the target of enabling no less than 70% of service users to experience an enhancement in their living space, sense of belonging to the community and interpersonal networks; and (LWB) • Complete the comprehensive evaluation on the School-based After School Care Service Scheme in the 2025/26 school year with the targets of having no less than 70% of student beneficiaries who have completed the scheme to find that they have received more appropriate care and learning support, and no less than 70% of parent/guardian beneficiaries to find the scheme useful in reducing their child care pressure and enabling them to consider seeking/taking up jobs. (LWB, EDB)	Task completed. Evaluations of the Pilot Programme on Community Living Room and the School-based After School Care Service Scheme have been completed. Results show that both the programme and the scheme have achieved their key performance indicators, with certain indicators exceeding expectations, as reflected in the Report on Impact of Targeted Poverty Alleviation Strategy in Hong Kong published in June 2026.
55	Provide 6 200 additional subsidised residential care service places for the elderly by end-2027. (LWB)	Target exceeded. Around 7 200 additional subsidised residential care service places for the elderly have been provided by end-August 2026.
56	Improve rehabilitation services and enhance the support for persons with disabilities: • Increase the number of rehabilitation (including day, residential and respite care) service places from about 37 300 in 2023-24 to about 39 900 by 2028-29; and	Task on track. As at end-August 2026, the total number of rehabilitation (including day, residential and respite care) service places has increased to around 38 300.
	• Gradually increase the number of Work Extension Programme places by about 800 within three years from 2024-25. (LWB)	Task completed. The Social Welfare Department has provided over 800 additional Work Extension Programme places in 2025-26.

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57	To strengthen support for assisted reproductive services, HA will gradually increase the annual service quota for in-vitro fertilisation treatment from 1 100 to 1 800 treatment cycles within five years starting from 2024-25. (HHB)	Task on track. The HA has increased the service quota to 1 500 treatment cycles per year in 2025-26 and will further increase it to 1 600 in 2026-27.
58	Strengthen child care: • Increase the number of beneficiaries under the Fee-waiving Subsidy Scheme of the After School Care Programme for low income families to 4 600 by the end of the 2026/27 school year, an increase of no less than 60% over the 2021/22 school year; and	Task completed. The Government will continue implementing the Fee-waiving Subsidy Scheme of the After School Care Programme, and will regularise the School-based After School Care Service Scheme starting from the 2027/28 school year, with a view to benefitting more families.
	• Further increase the number of Aided Standalone Child Care Centre service places for parents who cannot take care of their young children temporarily to about 2 000 by end-2027, an increase of 94% over 2022-23. (LWB)	Task on track. As at September 2026, the number of Aided Standalone Child Care Centre service places has increased to about 1 500, an increase of around 50% over 2022-23.
59	Launch the Pilot Scheme on Joint Property Management within 2025 and complete the review of its effectiveness by 2026. (HYAB)	Task completed. The Pilot Scheme on Joint Property Management was implemented in 2025 in four districts with effective results. The new phase of the pilot scheme has been extended to cover all districts in need in June 2026.
60	Introduce legislative amendments into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to implement the mandatory design requirements for elderly-friendly buildings. (DEVB)	Task completed. The DEVB submitted legislative amendments to implement the mandatory design requirements for elderly-friendly buildings to the LegCo in May 2026. Legislative amendments were passed by the LegCo in July 2026 and came into effect in August 2026.
61	Introduce a bill into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to amend the Buildings Ordinance for enhancing building safety. (DEVB)	In response to the fire at Wang Fuk Court in Tai Po, the proposed building safety amendments have to be further enhanced. With the Chief Executive's agreement, the DEVB will introduce the amendment bill into the LegCo in the second half of 2026 after studying the report of the Independent Committee.

