

Metro Tokyo, Seoul City, Taipei City all have less waste generation per capita when comparing to Hong Kong. Hong Kong should take simultaneous action to reduce the waste. Southeast new territories landfill will be full in 2015, northeast new territories landfill will be full in 2017 and west new territories landfill will be full in 2019. It's impossible to have new landfills being built before 2019 to meet the demand of waste disposal. Landfills' extension is the quicker solution to this problem. Landfill handling technology, especially in the aspect of engineering, has been achieved to high standard and therefore with appropriate control and regulation like avoiding smelly construction waste to be disposed in landfill extension part which is nearer to citizens can help to strike a balance between the emergent need of waste disposal and social concerns. And of course, it's impossible for Hong Kong to rely much on landfill for handling waste in long run and the impossibility is shown by our current situation. Therefore, other means of waste management must be carried out together with the extension of landfills. Like the integrated waste management facilities which convert waste to energy and this not only reduce waste volume but also can sustain the way of waste disposal by utilizing them as energy. Other community actions like food wise must be promoted as the food waste disposal situation in Hong Kong is quite severe and reduction on food waste is the best way to for food waste treatment according to the waste management hierarchy. However, I think education is also needed to teach the citizens on recycling as it seems that the people don't know much about the materials that can be recycled, and this make the effect of recycling not that obvious. More instruction should be given on the aspect of recycling.