

**For discussion  
November 2023**

**Legislative Council Panel on Security**

**2023 Policy Address  
Policy Initiatives of Security Bureau**

Safety and stability of the society are fundamental to a peaceful and fulfilling life of Hong Kong people as well as the prosperous development of our economy. In the year to come, the Security Bureau (“SB”) and its disciplined services will continue to safeguard national security and uphold law and order in Hong Kong with their best endeavours, and will strengthen Hong Kong’s overall emergency preparedness. To attract more visitors to Hong Kong and enrich our talent pool, we will implement visa relaxation, upgrade the infrastructure of boundary control points (“BCPs”) and improve clearance efficiency, and will tell good stories of Hong Kong. At the same time, we will continue to enhance the rehabilitation services for persons in custody (“PICs”). We will also continue our efforts, through innovative technology, to provide the public with more convenient services and to enhance the law enforcement capability as well as efficiency of rescue operations of the disciplined services. We will take proactive actions to promote youth development to instill positive thinking, law-abiding and national security awareness and patriotism in the youth.

2. This paper elaborates on SB’s six major policy areas in the 2023 Policy Address –

- (i) Safeguarding Our Country and Home;
- (ii) Joining Hands on the Road to Rehabilitation;
- (iii) Enabling Highly Efficient Connectivity;
- (iv) Bringing Convenience to the Public through Innovative Technology;
- (v) Supporting Youth Development; and
- (vi) Telling Good Stories of Hong Kong.

## **(I) Safeguarding Our Country and Home**

### **(A) Safeguarding National Security**

3. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (“HKSAR”) is an inalienable part of the People’s Republic of China. It is the constitutional duty of the HKSAR and also the common responsibility of the people of Hong Kong to safeguard national sovereignty, security and development interests. Following the implementation of the National Security Law, Hong Kong has moved away from the worst-case scenario brought by the serious violence. Through investigatory and law enforcement actions against people and organisations suspected of endangering national security, we have successfully eradicated a number of key individuals and organisations endangering national security.

4. That said, there are still a small number of radical individuals in the society who have not given up their acts and activities endangering national security, while external elements have continued to leverage the unique environment of Hong Kong under the principle of “one country, two systems” and high degree of autonomy, and incessantly interfere with and smear the affairs of the HKSAR, with a view to endangering national security. In particular, after we commenced the operation in listing eight persons who have absconded overseas as wanted persons, government officials and politicians of the countries to which the eight persons have fled quickly jumped at the opportunity and launched attacks, including smearing the National Security Law and relevant law enforcement actions, so as to create public opinion to underpin the actions of United States and western countries to further “use Hong Kong to contain China”. Law enforcement agencies will continue to take investigatory and law enforcement actions, pursuant to the National Security Law and through reviving existing legislation, against acts and activities suspected of endangering national security, and step up collection and analysis of intelligence related to national security and counter-terrorism.

5. Enacting local legislation on Article 23 of the Basic Law (“BL”) and refining laws relevant to safeguarding national security are the

constitutional responsibilities of the HKSAR. Besides, there are also practical needs to legislate on Article 23 of the BL. The HKSAR Government has been carrying out the work in respect of the enactment of legislation on Article 23 of the BL. We are pressing ahead in drawing up effective legislative proposals, which can effectively address past and present national security risks and threats, are sufficiently forward-looking to address possible risks in future, and are practicable in terms of implementation. We will conduct public consultation at a suitable juncture, with a view to completing the legislative work within 2024.

6. At the same time, we will also continue to enhance the national security awareness of members of the public (especially our young people), including continuing to enhance the content of the National Security Law online virtual exhibition, organising inter-school competitions with the Department of Justice, Education Bureau and suitable non-government organisations to enhance the national security knowledge and awareness of young people (especially students), and continuing to promote national security education among members of youth uniformed groups under the disciplined services.

7. Moreover, the Committee for Safeguarding National Security of the HKSAR will set up an exhibition gallery on national security, which will serve as an educational base, and produce training materials and train community instructors to promote national security in various districts, so as to enhance the public's understanding and raise their awareness of the need to safeguard national security. The SB will lend its full support.

## **(B) Protection of cybersecurity of critical infrastructure**

8. Enhancing the cybersecurity of Hong Kong's critical infrastructure will help consolidate Hong Kong's favourable business environment and status as an international financial centre, and ensure the smooth operation of essential services provided to the public. In view of the increasing risk of global cyber-attacks, the HKSAR Government will endeavour to enhance the cybersecurity protection of critical infrastructure (including energy, communications,

transportation, financial institutions, etc.) to guard against cybersecurity challenges. This includes formulating legislative proposals on the cybersecurity obligations of operators of critical infrastructure.

9. Together with the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (“OGCIO”) and the Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”), we have consulted the cybersecurity industry in the first quarter of this year and met with major operators of critical infrastructure in the second and third quarters of this year to exchange initial views on the proposed legislative framework. We are now formulating the legislative proposals, and the related code of practice in collaboration with OGCIO. This will be followed by consultation with the Legislative Council (“LegCo”) Panel on Security and relevant stakeholders. The target is to introduce the bill into the LegCo within 2024.

**(C) Co-operation with Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (“GBA”) in Emergency Response and Rescue**

10. To take forward co-operation in regional emergency management, the HKSAR Government and People’s Government of Guangdong Province signed an “Agreement to enhance co-operation between Hong Kong and Guangdong in emergency management” back in 2008. Over the years, exchanges in the two places have promoted the professional collaboration and tacit understanding among various units, and yielded positive results in various aspects of emergency management.

11. Considering that the GBA is a region typically vulnerable to climate threats with frequent occurrence of hazardous weather including typhoons, torrential rain, high temperature, etc., and that isolated disasters may happen, we need to deepen and improve the management and co-operation mechanism in the GBA emergency response and rescue system, in a bid to enhance the action ability of the GBA cities, strengthen the overall emergency response operational capability in the GBA, facilitate in-depth integration within the region, with a view to developing an international first-class bay area ideal for living, working and travelling.

12. In fact, Hong Kong has put in place various contingency plans to tackle different scenarios of emergencies and has over the years accumulated experience and built up capability. On the other hand, the Mainland has been continuously strengthening the hardware in emergency response, particularly for heavy-duty equipment. In this connection, Hong Kong and other GBA cities will formulate a new “GBA Emergency Response and Rescue Operational Plan” (“Operational Plan”) to build a comprehensive, practical and systematic GBA emergency response operational mechanism under the principles of collaborative prevention and control as well as achieving synergy. The aim is to enhance the capability of the cities in the region for collaborative disaster prevention, mitigation and relief, and for responding to major public emergencies. We will take forward the co-operation framework agreement of the Operational Plan with the governments of Guangdong and Macao within 2024.

**(D) Establishment of the Fire Services Department Building Improvement Support Centre**

13. It has been the common goal of the HKSAR Government and all sectors of the community to provide members of the public with better protection by enhancing the fire safety of buildings, especially the old ones. We have therefore enacted the Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) Ordinance, the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance and the Fire Safety (Industrial Buildings) Ordinance, with the aim to strengthen protection by upgrading the respective fire safety standards of old commercial premises/buildings, old composite and domestic buildings and old industrial buildings to present-day standards. We have also been proactively providing various kinds of support to owners of old buildings, particularly those of old composite and domestic buildings, with a view to assisting them in carrying out fire safety improvement works.

14. To offer further assistance, the Fire Services Department (“FSD”) will establish the Fire Services Department Building Improvement Support Centre by the end of this year to provide owners and occupiers of old buildings with one-stop support service to assist

them in complying with the requirements of the above-mentioned ordinances. For example, consultation services on fire safety improvement works as well as related subsidy and loan schemes will be provided, so as to facilitate member of the public.

## **(E) Strengthening Anti-drug Efforts**

15. Our anti-drug strategy has all along been underpinned by a multi-pronged approach, comprising preventive education and publicity, treatment and rehabilitation, legislation and law enforcement, external cooperation, and research. The drug situation in Hong Kong is largely under control in recent years. Due in no small part to the concerted anti-drug efforts of various sectors in the community, the reported number of drug abusers has been more than halved in the past ten years. In particular, the Action Committee Against Narcotics (“ACAN”) has made remarkable contribution by proactively recommending various measures to the HKSAR Government to combat drug problems in the community. The ACAN will reach a milestone in 2025 when it turns 60. To mark this anniversary, we will organise a series of events, including roving exhibition and commemorative publication, with a view to solidifying the anti-drug awareness of the community.

16. In view of the increase in the number of cocaine abusers in recent years, we will strengthen publicity to combat the abuse of cocaine and educate the public about its harms through a range of activities in the coming year, including production of short publicity videos, so as to prevent the spread of drug harms. Interdisciplinary collaboration is direly needed for quitting psychotropic substances such as cocaine and methamphetamine (Ice). We would provide additional resources for subvented service units to strengthen manpower and training, so as to adopt interdisciplinary interventions to encourage quitting of drugs and maintaining abstinence.

**(F) Handling of Non-refoulement Claims**

17. We have all along attached great importance to handling non-refoulement claims, and have continued to handle the issue through a multi-pronged approach with considerable progress achieved. As at September 2023:

- (a) the number of non-ethnic Chinese illegal immigrants intercepted and new claims received dropped significantly by around 80% and 70% respectively as compared with the peak;
- (b) the handling time for each claim by the Immigration Department (“ImmD”) shortened significantly by around 60%, and the once accumulated backlog of claims pending screening by the ImmD was generally cleared in early 2019;
- (c) the number of outstanding appeals pending processing by the statutory Torture Claims Appeal Board (“TCAB”) dropped by around 77% from the peak; and
- (d) since the implementation of the updated removal policy in December 2022, the ImmD has removed 1 416 claimants from Hong Kong, which included 173 claimants removed pursuant to the updated removal policy. In the first nine months of 2023, the monthly average number of claimants removed has increased significantly by 65% as compared with that of 2022.

18. We will implement further enhanced measures, including:

- (a) through profile analysis of obvious abusers of the non-refoulement claim mechanism and via the Advance Passenger Information System to be rolled out in phases starting from the third quarter of 2024, the ImmD will enhance identification of potential abusers and prevent their entry to Hong Kong;

- (b) through streamlined process, the TCAB will enhance its efficiency in processing appeal cases, with the target of reducing the average processing time from over seven months in the past to around four months;
- (c) we have implemented arrangements of various legislative amendments to enhance treatments of immigration detainees, so as to further uphold discipline and order at detention facilities; and
- (d) we will continue to fully implement the updated removal policy so as to enhance the efficiency and efforts in removing unsubstantiated claimants, with the target of removing no less than 1 200 unsubstantiated claimants per year.

## **(G) Combating Deception**

19. The rise in fraud and technology crimes is a global trend and the increase in fraud cases is not unique to Hong Kong. The main reasons include the widespread use of the internet and social media by citizens, their engagement in online activities such as making friends or communicating with others, online shopping, job searching, and investment etc. which provide opportunities for scammers to take advantage of.

20. The HKPF have all along been committed to combating various types of fraud. In addition to adopting an intelligence-led enforcement approach, the HKPF actively enhance collaboration with stakeholders through a multi-agency approach. A multi-channel, extensive publicity strategy is also adopted to heighten public awareness of different types of fraud. The HKPF will set up a new joint platform with major banks by the end of this year. Participating banks will deploy staff to station at the platform office to provide real-time assistance to the HKPF on fraudulent cases, so as to strengthen intelligence analysis and exchange, enhance the capability of identifying suspicious accounts, detecting the whereabouts of



fraudulent funds and intercepting fraudulent funds, as well as taking targeted and immediate anti-fraud actions to identify and assist victims at an early stage. This will enable the HKPF and banks to work together in combating fraudulent activities and related criminal syndicates.

## **(II) Joining Hands on the Road to Rehabilitation**

### **(H) Establishment of the Ethics College**

21. The Correctional Services Department (“CSD”) has been committed to encouraging continuous education among PICs to facilitate their smooth reintegration into society after release. To further assist adult PICs to rehabilitate, the CSD will strengthen its efforts in the promotion of educational services by arranging for adult PICs to pursue a full-time Diploma of Applied Education (“DAE”) programme, and engage in comprehensive learning activities related to vocational training, sports and arts, and national education. This initiative aims to cultivate positive values among adult PICs and enable them to acquire recognised qualifications, thereby preparing them for successful reintegration into society in future.

22. In this connection, the CSD plans to establish the Ethics College at Pak Sha Wan Correctional Institution and Lo Wu Correctional Institution<sup>1</sup> in the fourth quarter of this year to offer a one-year full-time DAE programme for adult PICs for voluntary participation. Upon completion of the DAE programme with a pass in the examination, PICs will be awarded a DAE certificate, and the qualification so obtained is deemed comparable to the attainment of Level 2 standard in five subjects including Chinese Language and English Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination to facilitate their further studies and career development for smooth reintegration into society in future.

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<sup>1</sup> Female PICs at Lo Wu Correctional Institution will attend classes simultaneously with male PICs at Pak Sha Wan Correctional Institution via remote live streaming. A teaching assistant will be available at Lo Wu Correctional Institution to provide them with real-time learning support.

## **(I) Establishment of Parent-child Centres**

23. At present, there are three parent-child centres specifically designed for female PICs, which are located at Lai King Correctional Institution, Tai Lam Centre for Women and Lo Wu Correctional Institution respectively. The CSD will establish parent-child centres in three correctional institutions for male offenders (Hei Ling Chau Addiction Treatment Centre, Tong Fuk Correctional Institution and Stanley Prison) by the end of this year. These centres aim to provide a suitable environment for male PICs and their children under the age of 11, with a view to promoting parent-child interaction and enhancing the relationships between adult male PICs and their children, so as to strengthen their determination to rehabilitate through family support. Besides, the CSD will collaborate with local universities and non-governmental organisations to study the effectiveness of parent-child centres in correctional institutions for male offenders and the ways to reduce intergenerational offending.

## **(III) Enabling Highly Efficient Connectivity**

### **(J) Multiple-entry visa to Mainland for foreign staff of Companies in Hong Kong**

24. The HKSAR Government and Mainland authorities have been exploring means to further facilitate the “southbound and northbound” flow of high-end talents within the GBA. Further to the “southbound” exit endorsement for GBA talents rolled out by Mainland authorities in February this year which facilitates six types of talents in Mainland GBA cities to travel to Hong Kong, the Mainland authorities agreed that, starting from 26 October 2023, foreign staff of Hong Kong registered companies may apply for multiple-entry visas to the Mainland, which last for two years or more, with priority given in processing. Among them, non-Chinese Hong Kong Permanent Residents may even apply for multiple-entry visas which last for up to five years.

25. The introduction of the above-mentioned visa facilitation measure by the Mainland authorities positively responded to the

aspirations of foreign chambers of commerce and the business community in Hong Kong for ease of northbound travel which would further facilitate their active participation in the GBA development. This is a significant outcome made possible through close communication and cooperation between the HKSAR Government and relevant Mainland authorities. This measure gives full play to the unique connector role of Hong Kong in attracting high-end corporations and talents around the world to settle in Hong Kong, and gather as well as take root in the GBA. This is also a key strategy to speed up the development of a talent cluster in the GBA and enhance our country's soft power.

**(K) Relaxing visa requirements**

26. To further attract more talents to Hong Kong, we have relaxed the visa policy for Vietnamese talents to come to Hong Kong for employment with effect from 25 October 2023, including the Top Talent Pass Scheme. We have also relaxed the criteria for Vietnamese applying for multiple-entry visa for business and travel in response to the calls of the society. Meanwhile, we have also relaxed the visa policy for Laotian and Nepalese talents for employment, training and study in eligible full-time programmes at undergraduate level or above offered by University Grants Committee-funded institutions, with a view to promoting exchanges on various fronts with talents from these places.

**(L) Enhancing infrastructure of land BCPs and clearance efficiency**

27. To complement the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao GBA development blueprint and facilitate smooth and efficient people and cargo flows within the GBA, the HKSAR Government has been forging ahead a series of measures to further enhance their clearance capacity of control points and the clearance efficiency including collaboration with the Shenzhen Municipal Government to take forward the redevelopment of the Huanggang Port and the Sha Tau Kok (“STK”) Port.

28. For the Huanggang Port, the HKSAR Government will continue to maintain close liaison with the Shenzhen Municipal Government in respect of the set-up of the Hong Kong Port Area and implementation of the "collaborative inspection and joint clearance" mode, and with the aim of implementing the new clearance mode at the new Huanggang Port upon its commissioning in 2026. For the STK Port, the tendering exercise for the engineering feasibility study was commissioned in the first quarter of this year, with the contract awarded in the third quarter of this year.

29. We will continue to actively explore the adoption of new clearance mode, including implementing the "collaborative inspection and joint clearance" mode in the new land BCPs infrastructure projects to enhance passenger clearance efficiency.

#### **(IV) Bringing Convenience to the Public through Innovative Technology**

##### **(M) Expediting Development of Digital Government**

30. We will continue to make use of innovative technology in enhancing the enforcement capabilities and efficiency of rescue operations of the disciplined services, as well as conduct review of such use as appropriate, and proactively examine the use of technology in various aspects to optimise and enhance quick response ability with a view to providing more convenient services to the public. The key initiatives include –

- (a) The HKPF will introduce the "Electronic Closed Area Permit" ("Electronic CAP") and "Electronic Closed Road Permit" by end of this year and significantly shorten the processing time for applications. The HKPF will also launch the "HKSOS" mobile application in the first quarter of 2024, with built-in "Smart Search and Rescue Solutions" to assist rescuers to locate persons in need;

- (b) The CSD will launch the Social Visit e-Booking Service in the fourth quarter of this year for members of the public to book online for visits to PICs via the Department's website or mobile application;
- (c) The Customs and Excise Department ("C&ED") is adopting verification of registration by dynamic QR code in the "Dealers in Precious Metals and Stones Registration System" within 2023 to facilitate the industry and consumers to verify the registration of dealers immediately, which is conducive to law enforcement and business;
- (d) The FSD will introduce a new mobile application function in the fourth quarter of this year to help the public identify FSD-approved portable firefighting equipment for promoting the wider use of such firefighting equipment so as to enhance fire safety at domestic premises; and
- (e) The FSD will introduce remote-controlled robot dogs by the third quarter of 2024 to help conduct inspections in hazardous areas during "chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear" ("CBRN") incidents for reducing fire personnel's risk of being exposed to CBRN hazards.

**(V) Supporting Youth Development**

**(N) Continuing to Implement the Youth Work of SB and its disciplined services**

31. SB and the disciplined and auxiliary services have all along been committed to youth development work. The aim is to cultivate, through organising diverse activities, young people's physical and mental health, positive thinking, law-abiding and national security awareness, patriotism, and sense of discipline and team spirit, thereby helping them to equip themselves to contribute to Hong Kong and our country. Currently, all disciplined and auxiliary services (except the

Government Flying Service (“GFS”)) have set up their own youth uniformed groups. As for the GFS, it will soon bring in the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps (“HKACC”), its long-term partner in youth work, as a youth uniformed group under its subvention. Apart from supporting and coordinating the youth work of the disciplined and auxiliary services, last year we also launched the Security Bureau Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum (“Leaders Forum”) to benefit the elites in our youth uniformed groups, as well as the Project Lighthouse to nurture non-Chinese speaking students.

32. To continue to implement the Leaders Forum, SB will rigorously select members for the new term in the fourth quarter of this year. Diverse learning opportunities, exchange activities with Mainland universities as well as study tours to the GBA and other Mainland or overseas cities will be organised, and members will be encouraged to tender advice on youth development. In particular, SB will sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Shenzhen University to arrange teaching and visit activities for Leaders Forum members, and arrange more opportunities for exchange and interaction with young people in the Mainland. SB will also establish the Leaders Forum Alumni Association in the fourth quarter of this year to select outstanding inaugural Leaders Forum members and enable these alumni to build peer support relationships with new term members. Sharing activities will be organised regularly to facilitate sharing of views and experience among alumni and current members. This can, on one hand, maintain former members’ sense of belonging to the Leaders Forum, and on the other hand, help the personal growth of current members and facilitate the development of the Leaders Forum. Besides, we will soon launch the second phase of Project Lighthouse. The number of partner schools will increase from five to ten. We aim to increase the number of student participants to no less than 200 within this year and organise more diverse activities, so as to encourage non-Chinese speaking students to fully integrate into the community.

33. At the same time, the disciplined and auxiliary services will continue to actively raise the number of active members of their youth uniformed groups and adopt a multi-pronged approach to recruit youth members. They will also strengthen the promotion of law-abiding

awareness and national education, including providing Chinese-style foot drill and flag-raising training and arranging exchange activities to the Mainland, with a view to enhancing young people's sense of belonging to our country and their national pride. In addition, the GFS will strengthen the support for HKACC after taking over its policy work, including providing flight simulator or virtual reality training to cadet members, so as to strengthen the aviation education for HKACC members.

## **(VI) Telling Good Stories of Hong Kong**

### **(O) Gradual Opening up of STK**

34. Since its launch in June 2022, the project of opening up STK Pier has received favourable response. We will implement the second phase of the STK opening-up plan in January 2024 to expand the scope to cover the whole STK (except Chung Ying Street) to promote cultural and eco-tourism. Upon application online for CAPs, visitors may enter STK for sightseeing and learn about the history, culture and natural landscape of STK and the nearby outlying islands. In the initial stage, the daily quota is 1 000 visitors (including 700 tour group visitors and 300 individual visitors).

35. Over the past six months, we have co-ordinated the efforts of relevant departments to carry out preparatory work for implementing the second phase of the opening-up plan, including constructing Chung Ying Street Garden, improving the ancillary facilities of tourist spots and the community facilities for locals, enhancing the frequencies of public transport services and introducing ferry rides to outlying islands to provide convenience for visitor travel. In view of the increased traffic in the STK Frontier Closed Area after the opening up, we have installed fences/ barriers/ CCTVs, re-provisioned the Chung Ying Street Checkpoint, in addition to the increased manpower to enhance patrols. Starting from 1 December this year, travel agents /visitors can apply for Electronic CAPs applicable to group visits/individuals for all days in January 2024 via the HKPF's online system on a first-come,

first-served basis<sup>2</sup>. The HKPF will announce the details regarding the online application of Electronic CAPs in due course. Visitors may also contact licensed travel agents directly to sign up for sightseeing tours in STK. Travel agents will complete the relevant application procedures on their behalf.

36. We will work with local organisations and the tourism industry to publicise and promote the opening up of STK, highlighting its attractions. We will review the effectiveness of the project and timely adjust the visitor quotas in the first half of 2024 in the light of implementation experience, local views, etc. In addition, the HKSAR Government will explore with the Shenzhen Municipal Government the feasibility of developing a cultural tourism zone in STK of Hong Kong and Shenzhen, including exploring arrangements to facilitate access to the cultural tourism zone by visitors of both sides. To this end, we plan to launch a pilot scheme in the fourth quarter of 2024, under which current holders of CAPs who have access to Chung Ying Street in Hong Kong may, upon prior enrolment, use facial recognition technology without having to stop and produce their CAPs at the reprovisioned Chung Ying Street Checkpoint. It is expected that this will facilitate the flow of people and enhance the handling capacity of the Checkpoint, so as to support future tourism development. We will brief local stakeholders on the pilot scheme and its detailed implementation arrangements in due course.

## **(P) Strengthening International Participation of Departments**

37. Under the “One Country, Two Systems”, Hong Kong has the distinctive advantages of enjoying strong support of the motherland and being closely connected to the world. To better leverage on this advantages, the disciplined services will continue to proactively involve themselves in international affairs and activities, and promote international cooperation through hosting of large-scale international conferences in Hong Kong.

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<sup>2</sup> Starting from December this year, applications for CAPs applicable to tour group visits/individuals for all days in the following month will be accepted starting from the first day of the current month. The Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong will assist in coordinating the allocation of quotas for tour groups on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays to facilitate travel agents in organising tours.



38. The C&ED was unanimously nominated by members of the Asia/Pacific Region as the next Vice-Chairperson for the Asia/Pacific Region of the World Customs Organization (WCO). The C&ED will set up a WCO Regional Dog Training Centre and actively prepare for hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Global Canine Forum in March 2024.

39. Moreover, the FSD will make continuous efforts to enhance the professional capabilities of its Disaster Response and Rescue Team to better equip the team for participation in overseas rescue missions, and to obtain the accreditation as a medium International Urban Search and Rescue Team from the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG). Meanwhile, the FSD will organise in collaboration with relevant professional bodies the “Fire Asia International Conference” in 2024, and invite the participation of relevant scholars and fire service counterparts in the Mainland and different countries (including the Belt and Road regions).

## **Key Performance Indicators**

40. For the latest progress of the key performance indicators for measures of SB in 2022 and key performance indicators for measures of SB in 2023, please refer to **Annex I** and **Annex II**.

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**Security Bureau**  
**November 2023**

**Key Performance Indicators (“KPI”) for the measures of Security Bureau (“SB”) (2022)**

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
<b>(I) Safeguarding Our Country and Home</b>		
(A) Safeguarding National Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To eliminate terrorist attacks and attacks by “lone-wolves” through prevention and early detection.</li> <li>➤ To proactively and proficiently take forward the legislative exercise to implement Article 23 of the Basic Law (“BL”) to ensure legislative proposals are sufficiently forward-looking to address possible future risks and practicable in implementation, and conduct public consultation at a suitable juncture.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task on track.</li> <li>➤ After the setting of the KPI, no terrorist attacks or attacks by “lone-wolves” have so far occurred.</li> <li>➤ Task on track.</li> <li>➤ The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government will continue to proactively press ahead in enacting legislation on Article 23 of the BL, and will conduct public consultation at a suitable juncture, with a view to completing the legislative work <b>within 2024</b>.</li> </ul>
(B) Enhancing the Protection of Cyber-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To enhance the protection of the cybersecurity of critical infrastructure, we</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ Due to the specialised nature of</li> </ul>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
security of Critical Infrastructure	propose to clearly define the cybersecurity obligations of operators of critical infrastructure through legislation. A public consultation will be launched in <b>early 2023</b> on relevant legislative proposals.	the subject, the target of consultation has been revised to focus on relevant industry sectors. We have consulted the cybersecurity industry in <b>Q1 2023</b> and met with major operators of critical infrastructure in the <b>Q2 and Q3 2023</b> to exchange initial views on the proposed legislative framework.
(C) Handling of Non-refoulement Claims	➤ To maintain high efficiency of screening non-refoulement claims by the Immigration Department (“ImmD”) and ensure all new claims received can be handled instantly.	➤ Task completed.  ➤ Currently, new non-refoulement claims received can be handled instantly. The ImmD would maintain the efficiency in screening the non-refoulement claims. As at 30 September 2023, there were <b>368</b> non-refoulement claims pending the ImmD’s screening.

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>➤ To expedite the processing of appeals by the Torture Claims Appeal Board (“TCAB”), with a target to complete not less than <b>1 500</b> appeal cases in <b>2022</b> and not less than <b>3 000</b> appeal cases each year starting from <b>2023</b>.</p>	<p>➤ KPI of <b>2022</b> completed. KPI of <b>2023</b> on track.</p> <p>➤ The TCAB processed <b>1 572</b> appeal cases in <b>2022</b>.</p> <p>➤ <b>From January to September 2023</b>, the TCAB processed <b>2 039</b> appeal cases.</p>
	<p>➤ To expedite repatriation of unsubstantiated non-refoulement claimants. The ImmD targets to remove no less than <b>1 000</b> unsubstantiated claimants in <b>2022</b> and no less than <b>1 200</b> in <b>2023</b>.</p> <p>➤ To strengthen enforcement actions against non-ethnic Chinese illegal immigrants, overstayers and illegal workers, with a target to carry out not less than <b>12 000</b></p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ In <b>2022</b>, the ImmD removed <b>1 097</b> unsubstantiated claimants.</p> <p>➤ <b>From January to September 2023</b>, ImmD removed <b>1 351</b> unsubstantiated claimants.</p> <p>➤ Task on track.</p> <p>➤ In <b>2022</b>, the ImmD carried out <b>12 870</b> operations on the targeted establishments.</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>operations on the targeted establishments every year by the ImmD.</p> <p>➤ To step up the capacity of the ImmD to detain claimants and deter abuse of non-refoulement claim mechanism, with a target to increase the detention capacity for immigration detainees by <b>240</b> (around 1/3 from the existing detention capacity) in the <b>first half of 2023</b>.</p>	<p>➤ <b>From January to September 2023</b>, the the ImmD carried out <b>10 190</b> operations on the targeted establishments.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ SB made the Immigration (Places of Detention) (Amendment) Order 2023 to include the Nei Kwu Correctional Institution as a place of detention of the ImmD since <b>18 May 2023</b>. The overall capacity for immigration detainees has been increased by <b>33%</b> from <b>600</b> to <b>900</b>.</p> <p>➤ The Immigration (Treatment of Detainees) (Amendment) Order 2023 has become effective on <b>1 November 2023</b> to strengthen various treatments</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
		of detainees to uphold discipline and order.
(D) Strengthening anti-drug work	➤ To implement the amended Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Cap. 134) in <b>early 2023</b> to control cannabidiol (“CBD”), so that CBD consumer products will no longer be legally available in Hong Kong	➤ Task completed. ➤ The amended Ordinance came into operation on <b>1 February 2023</b> after going through the negative vetting legislative procedure.
(E) Enhancing Fire Safety of Old Buildings	➤ To complete the public consultation on legislative amendment to the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance for enhancing fire safety of old buildings <b>by end-2022</b> .	➤ Task completed. ➤ The public consultation completed on <b>13 September 2022</b> .
(F) Enhancing Community Emergency Preparedness and Response	➤ To provide <b>40</b> training sessions on cardiopulmonary resuscitation, the use of automated external defibrillators (“AED”) and other basic emergency preparedness skills (collectively known as the “Three Basic Skills of Emergency	➤ Task completed. ➤ <b>48</b> training sessions were provided by the FSD for <b>1 716</b> teachers <b>by April 2023</b> .

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>Preparedness”), and those on air rescue and mountaineering safety, for some <b>1 500</b> teachers in all secondary schools by the Fire Services Department (“FSD”) and the Government Flying Service <b>by April 2023</b> so that they can help train their students.</p> <p>➤ To provide <b>100</b> training sessions for students at tertiary institutions and <b>200</b> training sessions for the public on the “Three Basic Skills of Emergency Preparedness” by the FSD starting <b>from 2023</b>.</p> <p>➤ To increase the number of publicly accessible</p>	<p>➤ Task on track.</p> <p>➤ The FSD has been actively liaising with the student affairs office of respective tertiary institutions to coordinate the training arrangements.</p> <p>➤ <b>From January to September 2023</b>, the FSD has provided <b>98</b> training sessions for students at tertiary institutions and <b>180</b> training sessions for the public.</p> <p>➤ Task on track.</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>AEDs by some <b>1 500</b> sets in three years by the FSD in collaboration with different sectors of the community.</p> <p>➤ To distribute fire extinguishers, fire blankets and stand-alone fire detectors to needy residents in old buildings in 18 districts by the FSD <b>by end-2022</b> to improve fire safety of old buildings.</p>	<p>➤ The FSD has been working with different sectors of the community to actively take forward this initiative.</p> <p>➤ <b>From October 2022 to 30 September 2023</b>, an additional <b>1 018</b> sets of publicly accessible AEDs were installed.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ Firefighting equipment was distributed to needy residents of old buildings by the FSD and local communities through various channels, including the Fire Safety Activities during Festive Season Campaign in 18 districts and visits to residents of old buildings <b>by end-2022</b>. Arrangements were also made by</p>



Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>➤ From <b>Q1 2023</b> onwards, 90% of Government Flying Service helicopters can reach the search and rescue sites on Hong Kong Island/ Kowloon/ Northeast New Territories <b>within 30 minutes</b> after take-off from the Kai Tak Division</p> <p>➤ To organise <b>12</b> training courses for some <b>240</b> trainees from the counterpart fire services departments in the Greater Bay Area (“GBA”) by the FSD each year starting from <b>Q3 2022</b>.</p>	<p>the FSD for the Fire Services Department Volunteer Team and off-duty fire personnel to install stand-alone fire detectors for needy residents.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ <b>From January to September 2023</b>, the Kai Tak Division handled a total of <b>114</b> search and rescue cases on Hong Kong Island/ Kowloon/ North East New Territories, all of which successfully reached the search and rescue sites <b>within 30 minutes</b>.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The FSD has organised <b>12</b> online training courses for <b>250</b> trainees from the counterpart fire services departments in the</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To organise <b>12</b> technical exchange sessions for some <b>2 400</b> trainees from the counterpart fire services departments in the GBA by the FSD each year starting from <b>Q3 2022</b>.</li>   <li>➤ To launch the “Patient Tagging System for Multiple Casualties Incidents (“PTS-MCI”)” by the FSD in <b>Q4 2022</b> to reduce the time of reporting/updating casualty information by <b>more than 50%</b>.</li>   <li>➤ Introduce the Intelligent Life Locator in large-scale mountain search and rescue operations in <b>Q4 2022</b> to substantially</li> </ul>	<p><b>GBA by 30 June 2023.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li>   <li>➤ The FSD has organised <b>12</b> technical exchange sessions (including 10 virtual and two physical sessions) for about <b>2 459</b> trainees from the counterpart fire services departments in the GBA by <b>30 June 2023</b>.</li>   <li>➤ Task completed.</li>   <li>➤ The PTS-MCI was officially launched on <b>7 November 2022</b>, expected to reduce the time needed for reporting/updating patient information by <b>50% or more</b>.</li>   <li>➤ Task completed.</li>   <li>➤ Since <b>end-2022</b>, the Intelligent Life Locator has been</li> </ul>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>reduce the searching time along footpaths as compared with the time required by ground party.</p> <p>➤ To use underwater remotely operated vehicle system (“UROV”) to reduce underwater searching time, and increase the underwater search distance by the FSD.</p>	<p>introduced in large-scale mountain search and rescue operations to substantially reduce the searching time along footpaths as compared with the time required by ground party.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ With the introduction of UROV by the FSD, the time needed for conducting underwater search has reduced by <b>50% from four hours to two hours</b> for an area of a size equivalent to that of a basketball court, and the search coverage has extended by <b>25 times from 2 metres to 50 metres</b> (especially in a condition of poor underwater visibility).</p> <p>➤ Since July 2022, the</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>➤ To roll out the Rescue Map solution by the Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”) <b>by end-2022</b> for the real-time monitoring of the geo-location and bio-metric data of rescue personnel by command centers of emergency services at the rescue scenes.</p>	<p>UROV has been used in 14 search and rescue operations by the FSD.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The technical adaptation of the Rescue Map solution (including R-Map, R-Watch and R-Cam) has been completed and the R-Watch, a smart watch that complements the search and rescue programme, has been distributed to frontline teams involved in search and rescue operations, including the HKPF, the FSD and the Civil Aid Service. As at <b>30 September 2023</b>, a total of <b>360</b> R-Watches have been made available for use in search and rescue operations.</p>

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		<p>➤ The Rescue Map solution has also been used in various drills and real-life search and rescue operations to enhance frontline personnel's awareness of the programme and their search and rescue capability.</p> <p>➤ The Rescue Map solution won the "Gold Medal with the Congratulations of the Jury" in the "Security, Search &amp; Alarm" category at the 48th International Exhibition of Inventions of Geneva.</p>
<b>(II) Joining Hands on the Road to Rehabilitation</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Rehabilitation Services for Persons in Custody ("PICs")	<p>➤ To launch the "Youth Lab" and "Change Lab" by the Correctional Services Department ("CSD") <b>by end-2022</b> to enhance psychological and counselling services for young PICs and those under supervision after</p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The CSD launched the "Youth Lab" and "Change Lab" on <b>6 July 2022</b> and <b>26 October 2022</b>, respectively.</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>release respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To sign a memorandum of understanding between the CSD and the Hong Kong Metropolitan University in <b>October 2022</b> to provide more comprehensive support for PICs who wish to continue their studies.</li> <li>➤ To set up four Multi-purpose Family and Rehabilitation Service Centres (“MFRSCs”) by the CSD between <b>end-2022</b> and <b>Q1 2023</b> for strengthening psychological and counselling services for discharged persons subject to supervision.</li> <li>➤ To roll out a “Project JET” scheme by the CSD <b>by end-2022</b> to provide more employment opportunities (including those in the GBA) for young PICs and rehabilitated persons.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The CSD and the Hong Kong Metropolitan University signed the memorandum of understanding on <b>24 October 2022</b>.</li> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The CSD set up four new MFRSCs <b>between October 2022 and March 2023</b>.</li> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The CSD rolled out “Project JET” scheme in <b>late-October 2022</b>, providing more employment opportunities (including those in the GBA) for young</li> </ul>

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	<p>➤ To further strengthen video social visit service by the CSD by providing such service at the four MFRSCs to be set up, with the commissioning of the first two centres in Shau Kei Wan and Sheung Shui <b>by end-2022</b>, and the other two in Shatin and Tuen Mun <b>by Q1 2023</b>.</p>	<p>PICs and rehabilitated persons.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ All four newly set up MFRSCs have commenced operation. The centres located in Shau Kei Wan, Sheung Shui, Tuen Mun, and Sha Tin were officially inaugurated on <b>26 October 2022, 21 December 2022, 24 March 2023, and 27 March 2023</b> respectively.</p>
<b>(III) Moving with Ease</b>		
(H) To provide immigration facilitation for visitors coming to Hong Kong	<p>➤ Complete the review of the “Pilot Scheme on Immigration Facilitation for Visitors Participating in Short term Activities in Designated Sectors” <b>by end-2022</b>.</p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The Government has completed the review within the timeframe. The Pilot Scheme has been expanded to cover two new sectors, namely “Finance” and “Development and Construction” since</p>

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		<b>February 2023</b> , bringing the number of sectors which can benefit from the Pilot Scheme to <b>12</b> .
(I) Improving Customs Clearance Efficiency	➤ To continue procuring auto-detection devices for X-ray checkers for automatic recognition of contrabands and hence enhance the processing speed of analysis X-ray images for 80%, thereby facilitate more speedy clearance of passengers and cargoes at boundary control points.	➤ Task completed.  ➤ <b>Since last year</b> , the C&ED has procured <b>six</b> auto-detection devices and put them into use at the SkyPier Terminal at Hong Kong International Airport in <b>end-August 2023</b> to enhance the efficiency of recognising contraband during passenger and cargo customs clearance.
(J) Enhancing infrastructure of land control points	➤ Commission an engineering feasibility study for the proposed redevelopment of the Sha Tau Kok Port/Control Point in <b>Q1 2023</b> .	➤ Task completed.  ➤ The engineering feasibility study for the redevelopment of the Sha Tau Kok Control Point was commissioned in <b>Q1 2023</b> , with the contract awarded to the consultant in <b>Q3 2023</b>



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(K) Enhancing Public Understanding of Consular Protection and Related Matters	➤ The ImmD plans to conduct <b>18</b> exhibitions/talks a year to reach out some <b>4 800</b> people, representing a 50% increase in terms of the number of events held and the number of people reached over the year of <b>2021</b> .	➤ Task completed.  ➤ In <b>2022</b> , the ImmD had conducted <b>20</b> exhibitions/talks, reaching some <b>5 700</b> people, representing more than 50% increase in terms of the number of events held and the number of people reached over the year of 2021.  ➤ In <b>2023</b> , the ImmD had conducted <b>32</b> exhibitions/talks, reaching some <b>6 200</b> people as at <b>30 September</b> .
(L) Gradual opening up of STK Frontier Closed Area	➤ Allow tourist activities in all parts of the STK Frontier Closed Area except Chung Ying Street through progressive opening starting from early 2024, subject to local consultation in <b>early 2023</b> .	➤ Task on track.  ➤ Further to the completion of local consultation, the second phase of the plan to open up STK will be implemented in <b>January 2024</b> , allowing tourist activities in all parts of the STK Frontier Closed Area except

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		Chung Ying Street.
<b>(IV) Improving Life through Technology</b>		
(M) Building a Smart Government	<p>➤ To increase the number of self-service kiosks to <b>12 kiosks</b> by the HKPF <b>within 2022</b>, to facilitate the public in making e-loss reports. The HKPF will also introduce an electronic platform in phases for e-application and issuance of e-licences or e-permits.</p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The HKPF continues to promote digital policing, the number of “self-service kiosks” installed in report rooms and reporting centre has increased to <b>12</b>. The kiosks have so far handled <b>51 740</b> cases of reported lost property, accounting for more than 59% of the reported lost property cases received by the report rooms or reporting centre equipped with kiosks.</p> <p>➤ In view of the favourable results, the provision of “self-service kiosks” has been extended to public places. In this connection, the</p>

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		<p>HKPF has installed an additional kiosk at the Admiralty MTR Station in <b>September 2023</b>, which is the first public place to have kiosk installed. So far, there are a total of <b>13 kiosks</b> in Hong Kong. The HKPF has also enhanced its user interface to allow the public to enter information more conveniently.</p> <p>➤ The HKPF and the MTR (“MTR”) Corporation have jointly developed a brand new “One-Stop Loss Reporting Service”, which allows the public to authorise the HKPF to upload their lost property reports to the MTR’s “Online Lost Property Platform”, saving them from making separate reports to the MTR and increasing the</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
		<p>chances of recovering lost properties.</p> <p>➤ Since <b>1 July 2022</b>, the HKPF has fully rolled out the Licensing E-service and added the iAM Smart feature in <b>September 2023</b>. Further system enhancement is underway. E-licences and e-permits are expected to be issued in <b>mid-2024</b>.</p>
	<p>➤ Fully roll out the electronic services for visa applications by the ImmD in Q4 2022 to enable applicants to complete the entire application process online.</p> <p>➤ To leverage the e-Crime Processing and Analysis Hub (“e-Hub”) newly established in September 2022 and the improved e-Report Centre by the HKPF to facilitate the public in making</p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The ImmD has in <b>November 2022</b> fully rolled out the electronic services for visa applications.</p> <p>➤ Working towards the target.</p> <p>➤ E-Hub has been operating smoothly since its establishment on <b>19 September 2022</b>.</p>

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	e-reports and enhance the efficiency in the investigation of technology crime and deception cases by means of big data analysis.	<p>As at <b>30 September 2023</b>, the e-Hub had received a total of <b>43 285</b> technology crime and fraud-related e-report cases, with an average of about <b>3 600</b> cases handled each month, and all cases were followed up immediately.</p> <p>➤ The e-Hub maintains close collaboration with the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre on fraud interception. As at <b>30 September 2023</b>, a total of over HK\$540 million of fraudulent proceeds had been successfully intercepted for <b>213</b> technology crime and fraud-related e-reporting cases.</p> <p>➤ More than 80% (706) of the 846 informants interviewed were</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Upon the completion of the Proof-of-Concept study of the Customs Crime Analytics System in <b>Q3 2022</b>, the C&amp;ED will commence the development of all-in-one database to analyse crime data and intelligence, detect hidden risks of crime, and forecast crime trends in <b>2024</b>.</li> </ul>	<p>satisfied with the services provided by the e-Hub, with a rating of 8 or above (out of 10).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task on track.</li> <li>➤ The C&amp;ED has completed the Proof-of-Concept study of the Customs Crime Analytics System and is now studying the integration work of the all-in-one database to be developed.</li> </ul>
<b>(V) Supporting Youth Development</b>		
(N) Strengthening the Promotional Work of Youth Groups of the Disciplined Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To establish the SB Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum (“Leaders Forum”) by <b>Q4 2022</b> to enable outstanding members of youth uniformed groups of disciplined and auxiliary services to tender advice to the SB on issues relating to the enhancement of young people’s sense of national identity, national security</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ SB established the “Security Bureau Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum” in <b>October 2022</b>, and has been organising diverse activities to enhance the abilities and broaden the horizons of its members.</li> </ul>

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	<p>awareness, etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To increase the number of active members of youth uniformed groups of disciplined services, with a target of increasing the number of active members by <b>5% within 2022</b>.</li> <li>➤ To promote national security education to about <b>10 000</b> members of youth uniformed groups of disciplined services <b>by end- 2023</b> to enhance their national security awareness.</li> <li>➤ To arrange for at least <b>10 000</b> young people to</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ As at <b>31 December 2022</b>, the active membership of youth uniformed groups of the six disciplined services (i.e. members who participated in at least two activities over the past 12 months) increased by <b>25.4%</b>, compared with that as at 31 December 2021.</li> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The disciplined services promoted national security education to about <b>25 000</b> participants from youth uniformed groups under the disciplined services <b>from October 2022 to September 2023</b>.</li> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> </ul>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>participate in the Rehabilitation Pioneer Project of the CSD <b>by end-2022</b> to encourage them to lead a law-abiding and drug-free life, and support offender rehabilitation.</p> <p>➤ To arrange for at least <b>1 000</b> Junior Police Call (“JPC”) members to participate in cultural exchange activities and national studies programmes, including Mainland exchange programmes, Chinese-style foot drill training, etc. in the <b>2022/23 school year</b>.</p> <p>➤ To provide national education activities for at least <b>500</b> Customs YES members <b>by end-2023</b>, including Mainland exchange and internship programmes, study tours of Chinese history and culture, Chinese-style foot drill and flag-raising training, lectures/workshops on our country’s Constitution and the</p>	<p>➤ In <b>2022</b>, the number of participants of the CSD’s Rehabilitation Pioneer Project was <b>25 099</b>.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ In the <b>2022/23 school year</b> (i.e. from September 2022 to August 2023), <b>over 3 100</b> members participated in the relevant JPC activities.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ From <b>October 2022 to September 2023</b>, Customs YES provided national education activities for <b>over 500</b> members.</p>



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	<p>national security law, etc.</p> <p>➤ To arrange the Customs YES Promotion Vehicle to make at least <b>120</b> visits to tertiary institutions, secondary schools and places popular among young people <b>by end-2023</b> in order to recruit members, promote the programme and publicise positive thinking and law-abiding awareness, etc.</p> <p>➤ To increase the membership of the</p>	<p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ The Customs YES Promotion Vehicle was launched and a kick-off ceremony was held at the Chinese Foundation Secondary School on <b>26 October 2022</b>.</p> <p>➤ As at <b>30 September 2023</b>, the promotion vehicle has conducted <b>120</b> promotional activities in various districts, including visits to various tertiary institutions, secondary schools and hot spots popular among young people to conduct recruitment, education and promotional activities.</p> <p>➤ Task on track.</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<p>Immigration Department Youth Leaders Corps (“IDYL”) from 250 in July 2022 to <b>400 by end-2022</b>, and then to <b>600 by end-2025</b>.</p> <p>➤ To launch the Rehabilitation Express in <b>Q4 2022</b> and arrange for the education and publicity vehicle of the CSD to visit at least <b>10</b> primary schools in various districts every month.</p>	<p>➤ As at <b>31 December 2022</b>, the membership of the IDYL was <b>417</b>, achieving the target for 2022.</p> <p>➤ As at <b>30 September 2023</b>, the membership of the IDYL was about <b>580</b>. It is expected that the target of <b>600</b> members will be achieved ahead of time <b>by end-2024</b>.</p> <p>➤ Task completed.</p> <p>➤ Since launching the Rehabilitation Express on <b>11 November 2022</b> to conduct community education activities, the CSD has continuously arranged for the education and publicity vehicle to visit at least <b>10</b> primary schools in various districts every month.</p>

Measures	KPIs	Latest Progress (as at 30 September 2023)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To strengthen life planning education for youth uniformed groups of the disciplined services and offer at least <b>100</b> internship places in the disciplined services in <b>2023</b> to let members of their youth uniformed groups experience the disciplined services' work as well as preparing them for a career in the disciplined services.</li> <li>➤ To implement a cross-sector internship programme and in <b>2023</b>, offer some <b>200</b> internship places in different sectors (including those in the GBA) for members of youth uniformed groups of the disciplined services.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The disciplined services provided <b>117</b> internship places internally for their youth members in <b>2023</b>. The interns were tasked to provide administrative support, assist in organising community education activities, etc.</li> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ The disciplined services provided <b>217</b> internship opportunities in different sectors (including those in GBA) for their youth members in <b>2023</b>.</li> </ul>
(O) Promoting Youth Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To establish the SB Volunteer Services Team in <b>Q4 2022</b>, and help at least <b>100</b> children from new arrival families in the coming year to enhance their abilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Task completed.</li> <li>➤ SB established the SB Volunteer Services Team and launched the Sunshine Buddies</li> </ul>

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	and broaden their horizons, while encouraging them to join the Government after growing up.	volunteer programme in <b>October 2022. More than 150 kids</b> from new arrival families have benefited from the programme.

**Key Performance Indicators (“KPI”) for the measures of Security Bureau (“SB”) (2023)**

Measures	KPIs
<b>(I) Safeguarding Our Country and Home</b>	
(A) Safeguarding national security	<p>➤ Continue to actively press ahead with the legislative exercise to implement Article 23 of the Basic Law to draw up effective and pragmatic legislative proposals, and will conduct public consultation at a suitable juncture, with a view to completing the work <b>within 2024</b>.</p> <p>➤ Continue to collect and analyse intelligence, and take investigatory and law enforcement actions, pursuant to the National Security Law and through reviving existing legislation, against acts suspected of endangering national security, with a view to preventing, suppressing and imposing punishment for offences endangering national security. Once acts and activities suspected of endangering national security are identified, we will immediately take corresponding law enforcement actions.</p>

Measures	KPIs
	<p>➤ Strive to enhance the protection of cybersecurity of critical infrastructure (including energy, communications, transportation, financial institutions, etc.) to embrace the challenges of cybersecurity, and to introduce the legislative bill into the Legislative Council <b>within 2024</b>.</p>
(B) Enhance the national security education for young people	<p>➤ To promote national security education to about <b>20 000</b> participants from youth uniformed groups under disciplined services <b>by end-2024</b>.</p>
(C) Co-operation with Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (“GBA”) in Emergency Response and Rescue	<p>➤ Formulate a new “Greater Bay Area Emergency Response and Rescue Operational Plan” with the Guangdong Provincial Government and the Macao Special Administrative Region Government to enhance the capacity of the GBA cities for collaborative disaster prevention, mitigation and relief, and for responding to and providing support during major public emergencies, and sign the relevant co-operation framework agreement <b>within 2024</b>.</p> <p>➤ The Fire Services Department (“FSD”) will conduct two large-scale joint exercises at BCPs with the GBA cities <b>within 2024</b>.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The FSD's Disaster Response and Rescue Team will conduct a 36-hour joint exercise in the GBA <b>within 2024</b>.</li> <li>➤ The FSD will organise <b>24</b> training courses or technical exchange sessions with its fire service counterparts in the GBA <b>within 2024</b>.</li> </ul>
(D) Enhancing Community Emergency Preparedness and Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The FSD and the member organisations of the Resuscitation Alliance will provide training on administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation or using automated external defibrillators for <b>100 000</b> citizens in the <b>three years by mid-2026</b>.</li> <li>➤ The FSD will provide <b>300</b> training sessions for tertiary students and the public on the "Three Basic Skills of Emergency Preparedness" <b>within 2024</b>.</li> </ul>
(E) Combating against over-storage of dangerous goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The FSD will conduct <b>750</b> proactive inspections to hardware stores and chemical material stores <b>by end-2024</b> to combat illegal activities, such as over-storage of dangerous goods, for the protection of public safety.</li> </ul>
(F) Establish the "Fire Services Department Building Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Establish the "Fire Services Department Building Improvement Support Centre"</li> </ul>

Measures	KPIs
Support Centre”	under the FSD <b>by end-2023</b> to provide owners and occupiers of old commercial, residential or industrial buildings with one-stop support services for complying with requirements of relevant legislation on enhancing fire safety of old buildings.
(G) Strengthening anti-drug work	➤ Starting from the <b>2024/25 financial year</b> , the Government would provide additional resources for subvented service units to strengthen community-based drug counselling, and treatment and rehabilitation services, in an effort to motivate quitting under the prevailing drug trend.
(H) To enhance handling of non-refoulement claims	<p>The Government will continue to implement further enhanced measures to handle non-refoulement claims, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ through profile analysis of obvious abusers of the non-refoulement claim mechanism and via the Advance Passenger Information System to be rolled out in phases starting from <b>Q3 2024</b>, to enhance identification of potential abusers and prevent their entry to Hong Kong to enable interception at source;</li> <li>➤ through streamlined process, the statutory Torture Claims Appeal</li> </ul>



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	<p>Board will enhance its efficiency in handling appeal cases, with the target of reducing the average processing time from over seven months in the past to <b>around four months</b>;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ on management of immigration detention facilities, to implement the arrangements of various legislative amendments <b>from November 2023</b> to enhance treatments of immigration detainees, so as to further uphold discipline and order at detention facilities; and</li> <li>➤ on repatriation, to continue to fully implement the updated removal policy so as to enhance the efficiency and efforts in removing unsubstantiated claimants, with the target of removing no less than <b>1 200</b> unsubstantiated claimants per year.</li> </ul>
(I) Combating Deception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”) will set up a new platform jointly with major banks <b>by end-2023</b>, whereby bank staff will be stationed to render immediate assistance to the Police regarding deception cases for combatting fraudulent activities.</li> </ul>

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<b>(II) Joining Hands on the Road to Rehabilitation</b>	
(J) Establishing the Ethics College	➤ The CSD will establish the Ethics College <b>by end-2023</b> to provide full-time continuing education courses for voluntary enrolment by adult persons in custody (“PICs”) to help them equip themselves for re-integration into society.
(K) Establishing parent-child centres	➤ The CSD will establish three parent-child centres in correctional institutions <b>by end-2023</b> to strengthen the relationship between adult male PICs and their families, thereby reinforcing their determination to turn over a new leaf.
<b>(III) Enabling Highly Efficient Connectivity</b>	
(L) Enhancing Clearance Efficiency	➤ Actively discuss with the Mainland authorities the operational details of the “collaborative inspection and joint clearance” mode, with the aim of implementing the new clearance mode at the new Huanggang Port upon its commissioning in <b>2026</b> .
<b>(IV) Bringing Convenience to the Public through Innovative Technology</b>	
(M) Expediting Development of Digital Government	➤ Introduce the “Electronic Closed Area Permit” and “Electronic Closed Road Permit” <b>by end-2023</b> by the HKPF, and significantly shorten the processing time for applications.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Launch the “HKSOS” mobile application by the HKPF in <b>Q1 2024</b>, with built-in “Smart Search and Rescue Solutions” to assist rescuers to locate persons in need.</li> <li>➤ The CSD will launch the Social Visit e-Booking Service by <b>Q4 2023</b> for members of the public to book online for visits to PICs via the Department’s website or mobile application.</li> <li>➤ The C&amp;ED is adopting verification of registration by dynamic QR code in the “Dealers in Precious Metals and Stones Registration System”, <b>within 2023</b> to facilitate the industry and consumers to verify the registration of dealers immediately, which is conducive to law enforcement and business.</li> <li>➤ The FSD will introduce a new mobile application function in <b>Q4 2023</b> to help the public identify FSD-approved portable firefighting equipment.</li> <li>➤ The FSD will introduce remote-controlled robot dogs <b>by Q3 2024</b> to help conduct inspections in hazardous areas during “chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear” (“CBRN”) incidents for reducing fire personnel’s risk of being exposed to CBRN hazards.</li> </ul>

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<b>(V) Youth Development</b>	
(N) Continuing to implement the Security Bureau Youth Uniformed Group Leaders Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Arrange the Leaders Forum to tender advice to the SB on matters including enhancing young people's sense of national identity and national security awareness, as well as select new members <b>by end-2023</b>.</li> <li>➤ Establish the Leaders Forum Alumni Association <b>by end-2023</b>, and organise at least <b>one</b> sharing activity every quarter to facilitate sharing of views and experience among former and current members of the Leaders Forum.</li> <li>➤ Sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Shenzhen University <b>within 2023</b>, with a view to arranging teaching activities and visit opportunities for Leaders Forum members and arranging more opportunities for exchange and interaction with young people in the Mainland.</li> </ul>
(O) Strengthening support for Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Bring in the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps ("HKACC") as a youth uniformed group subsidised by the Government Flying Service and provide flight simulator or virtual reality training for at least <b>100</b> cadet members <b>within 2024</b>, with a view to enhancing their aviation education.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Commence the renovation works of the new headquarters and training centre of the HKACC <b>by Q3 2024</b>.</li> </ul>
(P) Taking forward the second phase of the SB's Project Lighthouse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Expand the Project Lighthouse to no less than <b>10</b> participating schools and no less than <b>200</b> student participants <b>by end-2023</b>.</li> </ul>
(Q) Promotion of patriotic education by the disciplined services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Establish a Foot Drill and Flag Party of no less than <b>40</b> members under the Customs Youth Leaders Corps <b>within 2024</b>, so as to enhance the training on Chinese-style foot drill and flag-raising skills in preparation for flag-raising ceremonies and large-scale performances.</li> <li>➤ Increase the number of active members of youth uniformed groups of various disciplined services by <b>5% by end-2023</b>.</li> <li>➤ Increase the total number of the Fire &amp; Ambulance Services Teen Connect (FAST Connect) members from 300 to <b>800</b> and extend the coverage of FAST Connect to all 18 districts of Hong Kong <b>by the end of the 2023/24 school year</b>.</li> <li>➤ Increase the membership of the ImmD Youth Leaders Corps from about 400 at the end of last year to</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>500 by end-2023, and then to 600 within 2024.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Arrange for at least <b>30 000</b> young people to participate in the Rehabilitation Pioneer Project of the CSD <b>by end-2023</b> to encourage them to safeguard our country and home, lead a law-abiding and drug-free life, and support offender rehabilitation.</li> <li>➤ Arrange for the Rehabilitation Express, the education and publicity vehicle of the CSD, to visit at least <b>10</b> primary schools in various districts per month on average <b>in the 2023/24 school year.</b></li> <li>➤ Arrange for at least <b>1 300</b> Junior Police Call members to participate in cultural exchange activities and national studies programmes, including Mainland exchange programmes and Chinese-style foot drill training, <b>in the 2023/24 school year.</b></li> <li>➤ Arrange for the Customs YES promotion vehicle to make at least <b>120</b> visits to various tertiary institutions, secondary schools and places popular among young people <b>within 2024</b> for member recruitment and promotional work.</li> </ul>

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	<p>➤ Provide national education activities for at least <b>1 000</b> Customs YES members <b>within 2024</b>, including Mainland exchange programmes, study tours of Chinese history and culture, Chinese-style foot drill training, and lectures on our country's Constitution or the National Security Law.</p>
<b>(VI) Telling Good Stories of Hong Kong</b>	
(R) Gradual opening up of STK	<p>➤ Gradually open up STK (except Chung Ying Street) from <b>January 2024</b> by offering in the initial stage a daily quota of <b>1 000</b> visitors to apply online for CAPs to enter STK for sightseeing so as to progressively promote the tourism development of STK Frontier Closed Area, with the effectiveness of the project to be reviewed and the visitor quota adjusted in the <b>first half of 2024</b>.</p> <p>➤ Launch a pilot scheme at the re-provisioned Chung Ying Street Checkpoint in <b>Q4 2024</b> by applying facial recognition technology to facilitate the flow of people with permission to access Chung Ying Street and to enhance the visitor handling capacity in parallel so as to support future tourism development.</p>

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(S) Strengthening the FSD's International Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The FSD will make continuous effort to enhance the professional capabilities of its Disaster Response and Rescue Team to prepare for participation in overseas rescue missions, and to obtain the accreditation as a medium International Urban Search and Rescue Team from the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG).</li> <li>➤ The FSD will organise in collaboration with relevant professional bodies the “Fire Asia International Conference” in <b>2024</b>, and invite the participation of relevant scholars and fire service counterparts in the Mainland and the Belt and Road regions.</li> <li>➤ The FSD will organise a professional exchange meeting on “Compartment Fire Behaviour” for fire service counterparts in the Asia-Pacific region <b>by end-2024</b>.</li> <li>➤ The FSD's technical rescue teams will visit member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) for specialised technical exchanges starting from <b>2024</b>.</li> </ul>
(T) Strengthening International Participation of the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The C&amp;ED was elected as the Vice-Chairperson for the Asia/Pacific Region of the World</li> </ul>



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C&ED	Customs Organization (WCO) <b>from 2024 to 2026.</b> The C&ED will strive to promote relevant international participation.