

Secretary for Security reviews Fire Services passing-out parade

The Secretary for Security, Mr John Lee, reviewed the 179th Fire Services passing-out parade for 23 station officers, nine ambulance officers, 69 firemen and 69 ambulancemen today (August 24).

Speaking at the parade, Mr Lee said, "Fire and ambulance services are one of the indispensable features in maintaining the safety of Hong Kong, and such services are constantly faced with various risks and challenges. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government will continue to render full support for the work of the Fire Services Department (FSD), to ensure that the staff members can discharge their duties safely and efficiently.

"The Fire and Ambulance Services Academy not only provides diverse training for both newly recruited and serving personnel, but also serves as an important means for the community to better understand the work of fire and ambulance services. More than 14,000 participants visited the Academy at the open day held recently. They watched the parade of fire and ambulance appliances, the demonstration of firefighting and rescue operations as well as seeing various advanced facilities. All these help the public to have a better grasp of the practical training and work conditions of FSD personnel," he said.

Mr Lee also noted that the FSD is actively developing the Fourth Generation Mobilising System, one of the most important tasks in the coming years, to replace the current Third Generation Mobilising System. The new system will enhance mobilising efficiency, so as to assist fire and ambulance personnel in protecting life and property. Through collecting and analysing operation data, the system will also help the department to improve its services.

Mr Lee also encouraged the graduates to work hard to better prepare themselves and uphold their mission to protect and save lives. "They should make use of the knowledge and technology learnt, as well as the team spirit built up in the Academy to safeguard our city, so that Hong Kong will continue to thrive as a place of prosperity and stability," he added.

The parade was followed by a demonstration of firefighting and rescue techniques

by the graduates. The 170 graduates, who have successfully finished 26 weeks of training, will be posted to various fire stations and ambulance depots.

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The Secretary for Security, Mr John Lee (third left), reviews the 179th Fire Services passing-out parade at the Fire and Ambulance Services Academy today (August 24).



The Secretary for Security, Mr John Lee, reviews the 179th Fire Services passing-out parade at the Fire and Ambulance Services Academy today (August 24). Picture shows Mr Lee (first right) presenting the Best Recruit award to a graduate.



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