

Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
First Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2026 in Tai Po District

Purpose

To brief Members on the arrangements and details for the First Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2026 to be launched by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) in Tai Po District.

Background

2. The Third phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2025 organized by FEHD was launched between 4.8.2025 to 24.10.2025. Actions taken in the district and the results of the Campaign are illustrated in **Annex I**.

3. In 2025, 71 imported and 11 local chikungunya fever cases were recorded in Hong Kong. 59 imported dengue fever and 1 imported Japanese encephalitis cases were recorded. No Zika virus infection cases were reported.

4. Chikungunya fever (CF) is a mosquito-borne disease that is primarily transmitted to humans through the bite of female *Aedes* mosquitoes carrying the CF virus (*Aedes albopictus* is a mosquito commonly found in the locality), and is not transmitted from person to person. When a patient suffering from CF is bitten by a vector mosquito, the vector mosquito may be infected and it may spread the disease by biting other people. The incubation period of CF is commonly three to eight days. Patients with CF typically presented with fever and joint pain. Other common symptoms include muscle pain,

headache, nausea, fatigue and rash. While most patients recover on their own, in some cases, joint pain may persist for several months or even years. Severe symptoms and deaths from CF are rare and usually related to other coexisting health problems. The fatality rate of CF is lower than 1 in 1 000.

5. Dengue fever (DF) is an important mosquito-borne disease with public health concern worldwide, especially in the tropics and sub-tropics. The dengue viruses encompass four different serotypes. Dengue infection has a wide spectrum of clinical manifestations and outcomes. The disease is usually mild and self-limiting, but subsequent infections with other serotypes of dengue virus are more likely to result in severe dengue, which can be fatal. DF can spread rapidly in densely populated areas that are infested with the vectors *Aedes aegypti* or *Aedes albopictus*. DF is not directly transmitted from person to person. It is transmitted to humans through the bites of infective female *Aedes* mosquitoes. Patients with DF are infective to mosquitoes during the febrile period. When a patient suffering from DF is bitten by a vector mosquito, the mosquito is infected and it may spread the disease by biting other people. Besides, transmission through blood transfusion has also been reported.

6. Japanese encephalitis (JE) is a mosquito-borne disease and the JE virus is transmitted by the bite of infected mosquitoes. The principal vector is called *Culex tritaeniorhynchus*. JE mainly occurs in rural and agricultural areas of Asia and the Western Pacific. The mosquitoes breed where there is abundant water such as rice paddies and become infected by feeding on pigs and wild birds infected with the JE virus. The infected mosquito transmits the JE virus to humans and animals during biting. FEHD and relevant departments had already strengthened mosquito prevention and control work, including conducting joint visits with staff of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department to the neighboring pig farms and providing technical assistance on mosquito prevention and control to the pig farmers with a view to reducing the chance of the public to contact JE.

7. Zika virus is transmitted to humans mainly through bite of infected *Aedes* mosquitoes. *Aedes aegypti*, which is considered the most important vector for transmitting Zika virus to humans, is currently not found in Hong Kong; however, *Aedes albopictus*, which is widely present locally, is also considered as potential vector. As long as there is extensive international travel, there always remains the risk of introducing Zika virus into Hong Kong. If an overseas Zika-infected person enters Hong Kong, and is subsequently bitten by an *Aedes albopictus* in Hong Kong, the infected *Aedes albopictus* may carry the virus and lead to a secondary spread in Hong Kong. The public should therefore stay vigilant about the potential risks of mosquito-borne diseases, while the community and various government departments should make concerted efforts and actively participate in mosquito prevention and control. Besides, Zika virus can also be transmitted through blood and sex contact.

8. In order to safeguard public health and to sustain mosquito prevention and control efforts, FEHD will continue to strengthen mosquito prevention and control and organize the Anti-mosquito Campaign 2026 in three phases as follows:-

Phase I : 23.2.2026 to 20.3.2026

Phase II : 13.4.2026 to 12.6.2026

Phase III : 3.8.2026 to 23.10.2026

9. The First Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2026 to be carried out under the slogan “**Prevent Japanese Encephalitis, Chikungunya Fever and Dengue Fever Act Now!**” aims to achieve the following objectives:-

- (a) To heighten public awareness of the potential risk of dengue fever, chikungunya fever, Japanese encephalitis,

Zika virus infection and other mosquito-borne diseases;

- (b) To encourage community participation and forge close partnership of government departments concerned in mosquito prevention and control work; and
- (c) To eliminate potential mosquito breeding places.

First Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign

10. The First phase of the Anti-mosquito campaign, scheduled from 23.2.2026 to 20.3.2026, will primarily target on locations and the periphery of human residences, schools, construction sites, public housing estates, hospitals, illegal cultivation sites, waterfront public and private cargo working areas, and typhoon shelters within the district.

11. FEHD has considered a basket of factors, including data of result of mosquito survey of Gravidtrap Index for *Aedes albopictus*, mosquito complaints received, views of local community, distribution of construction sites / work sites and community facilities, etc. in identifying target locations in the district (**Annex II**) to carry out all-rounded mosquito prevention and control measures. During the campaign period, Pest Control staff of the department will clear stagnant water and carry out anti-mosquito measures at mosquito breeding and potential breeding places at the target locations and in the public places in the vicinity. We will also take the opportunity to offer knowledge and technical advice on the prevention and control of mosquito to the public.

Education and Publicity

12. On publicity and education fronts, FEHD will adopt the following measures in addition to arranging press releases, the broadcast of Television and Radio Announcements in the Public Interest and the placement of promotional posters at the major public transport facilities: -

- (a) To produce publicity posters, pamphlets, banners and educational materials on prevention and control of mosquito for public circulation;
- (b) To distribute publicity materials widely through close liaison with the relevant government departments and local organizations to arouse public awareness of mosquito prevention and control;
- (c) To distribute publicity materials to the public;
- (d) To organize roving exhibitions at major shopping malls of housing estates and outreaching health talks for schools and management of housing estates;
- (e) To disseminate messages on mosquito prevention and control to various stakeholders of the target locations and organise health talks to provide them with information and technical advice on mosquito prevention and control;
- (f) To hold thematic exhibitions at the FEHD Health Education Exhibition and Resource Centre, and to include relevant information in the FEHD homepage; and
- (g) To disseminate messages on mosquito prevention and control through the Facebook and Instagram of 「FEHD」 and 「Keep Clean Ambassador Ah Tak」.

13. To ensure smooth implementation of the Campaign, the Pest Control Advisory Section of the department would offer technical assistance in the mosquito prevention and control operations and the related publicity and

education activities.

Local Participation

14. To enlist support and active participation of this District Council in the Campaign, District Council Members and Committee Members will be invited to participate in related events, organize publicity activities and at the same time, to offer views on the mosquito prevention and control work.

Tai Po District Environmental Hygiene Office
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Third Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2025 in Tai Po District

The Third Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2025 in Tai Po District was launched between 4.8.2025 to 24.10.2025. During the period, related mosquito prevention and control measures were implemented smoothly. The actions and results of the Anti-mosquito Campaign 2025 in the district were as follows:-

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| 1. | Number of patrols made at the target areas | : | 5112 |
| 2. | Number of mosquito breeding places identified and eliminated | : | 661 |
| 3. | Number of potential mosquito breeding places identified and eliminated | : | 6934 |
| 4. | Quantity of refuse cleared (tonnes) | : | 49.8 |
| 5. | Number of prosecutions instituted | : | 2 |
| 6. | Number of warning letters issued | : | 0 |
| 7. | Number of advice on mosquito prevention given to members of the public | : | 180 |
| 8. | Number of leaflets/posters distributed | : | 8820 |
| 9. | Number of cases referred to other government departments | : | 2 |

Annex II

First Phase of Anti-mosquito Campaign 2026 in Tai Po District

Target Locations

Date of Operation	Anti-mosquito Team	Location	
		AM	PM
23.02.2026 (Monday)	Departmental Staff	Tai Po Mei, Cheung Shue Tan, Wong Nai Fai, Po Min & RCP	Tsung Tsai Yuen & RCP, Yin Tse Lane,
	Contractor Staff	Dai Fu Street, Dai Shun Street, Dai Wang Street, Dai Hung Street, Dai Shing Street, Dai Fat Street, Dai Cheong Street, Kei Ling Ha San Wai, Kei Ling Ha Lo Wai	On Pong Road, On Tai Road, Outside Tai Po Plaza, Shek Ku Lung Tsuen, Kam Shan Tsuen,
24.02.2026 (Tuesday)	Departmental Staff	Chong San Road, Yuen Shin Road	Wang Fuk Court, Kwong Fuk Road, Plover Cove Road
	Contractor Staff	Long Ha Tsuen, Shan Liu Road, Elle Villas, Ting Kok Tsuen, Ma Wo Road, outside area of Classical Garden and Grand Dynasty View	Outside area of from Kingsland to Wong Yue Tan Tsuen, from Chim Uk Village to Tung Tsz Road, Tai Hang Fui Sha Wai, Tong Hang Tung Chuen,

25.02.2026 (Wednesday)	Departmental Staff	Wan Tau Tong Estate, Yat Nga Court, Yat Nga Lane, Nam Wan Road, Hiu Wan Road, Fung Wan Road Bus Terminus	Tak Nga Court, King Nga Court, Cycling track from Nam Wan Road to Tat Wan Road, Pedestrian Walk along Tai Po River, Lai Chi Shan & RCP, Wun Yiu Road
	Contractor Staff	Sha Lan Villas, Sha Lan Tsuen, Kau Lung Hang Lo Wai, Kau Lung Hang Village, Kau Lung Hanag San Wai	Cycling track from Yue Kok to Fung Yuen Road, Yuk Kok Village, Shui Wo Village, Tai Mong Che Village, Ma Po Mei Village
26.02.2026 (Thursday)	Departmental Staff	CARE Village, Ha Wong Yi Au, Yung Yi Road	Tai Po Road, Yin Tse Lane, Tsung Tsai Yuen & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Po Nga Road (Po Nga Court, Tai Wo Plaza, Lam Tsuen River (Northside)), Tai Po Tai Wo Road, Kwong Fuk Road, Kai Wo Road, Fuk Wo Road, Tung Tsz	Luen Yick Pier, Luen Yick San Tsuen, Outside The Education University of Hong Kong, Lo Ping Road, Lo Fai Road, outside area of Tycoon Place
27.02.2026 (Friday)	Departmental Staff	Fo Shing Road, Chong San Road	Shan Tong New Village & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Outside area of Springdale Garden, Sam Mun Tsai Road, Sha Lan Road, Yu On Street and Typhoon Shelter, Kwong Fuk Square, Tai Ming Lane, Wan Tau Square, Tai Kwong Lane	Fung Yuen, Chek Keng, Tseng Tau

28.02.2026 (Saturday)	Contractor Staff	Dai King Street, Dai Hei Street, Dai Kwai Street, Dai Li Street, Outside Fu Feng Estate, Choi Tip Street, Chung Nga Road, Outside Chung Nga Court, Sai O	Outside Chung Nga Court, Outside Fu Shin Estate, Wai Tau Tsuen,
02.03.2026 (Monday)	Departmental Staff Contractor Staff	Cheung Shue Tan & RCP, Tai Po Road Ma Wo, Outside Kwong Fuk Football Ground	Tsung Tsai Yuen & RCP Po Yick Street, Po Yick Lane, Outside Luk Heung San Tsuen Public School, Tin Liu Ha Tsuen, From She Shan Tsuen to entrance of She Shan Tsuen
03.03.2026 (Tuesday)	Departmental Staff Contractor Staff	Tak Nga Court, King Nga Court, Cycling track from Nam Wan Road to Tat Wan Road, Pedestrian Walk along Tai Po River, Tai Hang Chung Sum Wai, Outside Tai Hang Garden, outside, Prince Garden, Tsz Tong Tsuen, Outside Tai Po Market, Heung Sze Wui Square, Tai Wing Lane, Po Heung Square, Kwong Fuk Lane	Lai Chi Shan & RCP, Wun Yiu Road Tung Mau Square, Tung Sau Square, Tung Fat Square, Luk Heung Lane, Tseng Tau
04.03.2026 (Wednesday)	Departmental Staff Contractor Staff	Yau King Lane to The Education University of Sports Centre, Look Out Link and RCP Ping Long Tsuen, Tai Om Village, Ma Wo Road	Tai Po Kau Lo Wai, Tai Po Kau San Wai, Hung Lam Drive Pan Chung Tsuen, Pan Chung San Tsuen, Cheung Shue Tau South, Cheung Shue Tau North

05.03.2026 (Thursday)	Departmental Staff	Fo Shing Road, Chong San Road	Shan Tong New Village & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Chung Uk Tsuen, San Uk Pai Tsuen, Hang Ha Po, Ma Chung Road, Outside Classical Garden, Outside Dynasty View, Outside Grand Dynasty View	Shui Wai, Outside Parc Verrailles, Mui Shue Hang, Che Ha
06.03.2026 (Friday)	Departmental Staff	Sha Po Tsai, Cheung Uk Tei, Tiffany Court	Sun Lai Garden, Hong Shing Garden, San Villa de Oka, San Uk Ka & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Po Yick Street, Po Yick Lane, Outside Luk Heung San Tsuen Public School, Tung Mau Square, Tung Sau Square, Tung Fat Square, Luk Heung Lane, Fung Yuen	Tai Po Tau, Tai Po Tau Tsuen, San Wa On Lane, Lam Tsuen San Tsuen, Pak Tin Kong Tsuen
07.03.2026 (Saturday)	Contractor Staff	Tong Sheung Tsuen, San Uk Tsai, Outside Uptown Plaza, Wan Tau Street, Lin Au	On Ho Lane, On Chee Road, On Cheung Road, Outside Eightland Gardens, Outside Treasure Garden, Outside Ting Nga Court, Outside Tai Yee House, Ting Kok Road
09.03.2026 (Monday)	Departmental Staff	Chong San Road, Yuen Shin Road	Wang Fuk Court, Kwong Fuk Road, Plover Cove Road
	Contractor Staff	Kau Liu Ha, Wo Tong Pui Tsuen, Fong Ma Po, Shek Kwu Lung Village, Kam Shan Tsuen	Chek Keng, Tseng Tau, Outside Po Heung Estate, Kwong Fuk Road, Wai Yan Street, On Fu Road, Tsing Yuen Street, Nam Shing Street, Wai Shin Street, Wai Yi Street

10.03.2026 (Tuesday)	Departmental Staff	CARE Village, Ha Wong Yi Au, Yung Yi Road	Tai Po Road, Yin Tse Lane, Tsung Tsai Yuen & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Tung Tsz Road, Ha Tei Ha Tsuen, Tung Tsz Shan Road, A Shan Tsuen, Nin Wah Road, Tin Liu, Kwun Hang	Outside Sun Hing Garden and Police Headquarters, Outside Sun Hing Shopping Mall, Outside Fu Shin Market, Lung A Pai, Chai Kek Village
11.03.2026 (Wednesday)	Departmental Staff	Wan Tau Tong Estate, Yat Nga Court, Yat Nga Lane, Nam Wan Road, Hiu Wan Road, Fung Wan Road Bus Terminus	Tak Nga Court, King Nga Court, Cycling track from Nam Wan Road to Tat Wan Road, Pedestrian Walk along Tai Po River, Lai Chi Shan & RCP, Wun Yiu Road
	Contractor Staff	Hillside outside China Holiness Church Living Spirit College, Cycling track outside Yue Kok, Kam Shek New Village, Footpath along Lam Tsuen River (Southside)(From Kam Shek New Village Playground to Kam Shan Road Public Toilet)	Shuen Wan Chan Uk Tsuen, Tsim Uk Tsuen, Tung Tsz Road
12.03.2026 (Thursday)	Departmental Staff	Sun Lai Garden, Hong Shing Garden, San Villa de Oka, San Uk Ka & RCP	Sha Po Tsai, Cheung Uk Tei, Tiffany Court
	Contractor Staff	Ha Hang Tsue, Outside Casa Brava, From Fung Yuen Road to Ha Hang, Ting Kok Road, Yuen Leng Tsuen, Sam Mun Tsai San Tsuen	Po Sam Pai Tsuen, San Tau Kok Tsuen

13.03.2026 (Friday)	Departmental Staff	Tai Po Mei, Cheung Shue Tan, Wong Nai Fai, Po Min & RCP	Tsung Tsai Yuen & RCP, Yin Tse Lane
	Contractor Staff	Tung Leung Road to hillside of AHNH, Fung Mei Wai, Pak Shing Street, Sui On Street, Yan Hing Street, Hei Yuen Street, Yan Wo Lane, Shung Tak Street	From Tai Mei Tuk Barbecue Sites to Tai Mei Tuk Carpark, Tai Mei Tuk, Tai Mei Tuk Tsuen, Wong Chuk Tsuen, Ng Uk Tsuen, Outside Dragon Cove, Along Lam Tsuen River (Po Heung Bridge to Nam Wan Road), Outside Plover Cove Garden, Plover Cove Road, Outside Kwong Fuk Football Ground
14.03.2026 (Saturday)	Contractor Staff	Outside Yee Nga Court, outside Fu Shin Estate, Che Tei Tsuen, Outside Hong Lok Villa	Dai Fuk Street, Dai Wah Street, Sha Ba Tsuen, San Tong Tsuen, Lam Tsuen River South Coast, Flagstaff Hill, Outside Mok Sau Tseng Secondary School
16.03.2026 (Monday)	Departmental Staff	Cycling track from Fo Chun Road to Island House	Island House Lane, Yuen Shin Road, Kwong Chun Street
	Contractor Staff	On Pong Road, On Tai Road, Outside Tai Po Plaza, Outside Greenery Plaza, Outside Evergreen Court, Outside Fuller Garden, Outside Tai Wo Centre	Outside Tai Po Waterfront Park (Cycling track), Tai Po Sports Ground and Tai Po Tau Bus Terminus, outside Serenity Park, Ying Pun Ha

<p>17.03.2026 (Tuesday)</p>	<p>Departmental Staff</p> <p>Contractor Staff</p>	<p>Ta Tit Yan, Wun Yiu Road, Lo Lau Uk, Yuen Tun Ha</p> <p>Cycling track outside Yuen Shin Park, Pak Ngau Shek Tsuen, Ng Tung Chai Tsuen</p>	<p>Pun Shan Chau, Hilltop Garden</p> <p>Chung Shun Lane, Hon Ka Road, Kam Shan Tsuen,</p>
<p>18.03.2026 (Wednesday)</p>	<p>Departmental Staff</p> <p>Contractor Staff</p>	<p>Wan Tau Tong Estate, Yat Nga Court, Yat Nga Lane, Nam Wan Road, Hiu Wan Road, Wan Fung Road Bus Terminus</p> <p>Tit Mei Chai, Nam Hang Tsuen, Ting Lai Road, outside Tai Ping Industrial Centre, outside Cameo Court, Tai Tung</p>	<p>Pedestrian Walk along Tai Po River Lai Chi Shan & RCP, Wun Yiu Road, Tak Nga Court, King Nga Court, Cycling track from Nam Wan Road to Tat Wan Road</p> <p>San Wai Tsai, Chuk Hang Tsuen</p>
<p>19.03.2026 (Thursday)</p>	<p>Departmental Staff</p> <p>Contractor Staff</p>	<p>Ha Wong Yi Au & RCP, Sheung Wong Yi Au & RCP, Yung Yi Road</p> <p>Sai Keng, Nga Yiu Tau</p>	<p>Marvelous Villa Road, Yat Yiu Avenue</p> <p>From On Kee Store to Hang Ha Po Ancestral Hall, From Hang Ha Po Public Toilet to Kau Liu Ha Bus stop, Ma Wo Village, From American School Hong Kong to Pan Chung Public Toilet</p>

20.03.2026 (Friday)	Departmental Staff	Fo Shing Road, Chong San Road	Shan Tong New Village & RCP
	Contractor Staff	Tung Kee Garden to Tai Hang San Wai, Tai Wo Village, Sham Chung, Lai Chi Chong, Yung Shue O	Cycling track from Shuen Wan to Fire Station, outside Green Cove, Lai Pek Shan San Tsuen, Cycling track of Green Cove, Cycling track of Lai Pek Shan San Tsuen, Cycling track of Po Sam Pai