

Management Committee of the Pilot Subsidy Scheme for Third-party Logistics Service Providers further approved funding amounting to HK\$20 million for 35 new projects

The Management Committee (MC) of the Pilot Subsidy Scheme for Third-party Logistics Service Providers (Pilot Scheme) approved at its fourth meeting on November 9, 2021 a total of 35 new projects (including projects on application of technology as well as purchase of X-ray machines and Explosive Trace Detection equipment for setting up Regulated Air Cargo Screening Facilities by logistics service providers), with the approved funding amounting to around HK\$20 million. As at November 9, 2021, the MC approved a total of 136 projects, with the total amount of approved funding around HK\$86 million.

The HK\$300 million Pilot Scheme was launched on October 12, 2020 to encourage the logistics trade to enhance productivity through application of technology. With the subsidy provided on a 1:1 matching basis, each enterprise could obtain subsidy for a maximum of four approved projects, subject to the cumulative subsidy ceiling at HK\$1 million. Each subsidised project should be completed within 24 months.

The MC comprising members from the logistics trade, industrial and professional sectors has been set up by the Transport and Housing Bureau to consider and approve applications received under the Pilot Scheme. Various factors (including the eligibility of applicant enterprises under the Pilot Scheme, the relevance of proposed projects to the applicant enterprises' businesses, as well as the budget and implementation details of projects) have been taken into account by the MC in vetting the applications. The MC will continue to monitor the implementation progress of the Pilot Scheme.

The Pilot Scheme is open for applications all year round. Enterprises may contact the Hong Kong Productivity Council, the Implementation Partner of the Pilot Scheme, for enquiries and submission of application (telephone: 2788 6077, email: tplsp_sec@hkpc.org).

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