## Fifth GBA Legal Professional Examination held

The 2025 Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Legal Professional Examination (GBA Examination) was held today (October 25).

Since the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress' authorisation of the State Council to conduct a pilot scheme in 2020, the GBA Examination has been held five times. Currently, over 620 Hong Kong and Macao legal practitioners have passed the GBA Examination and obtained the Lawyer's License (Guangdong-Hongkong-Macao Greater Bay Area) to provide legal services in the nine Mainland municipalities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) on specified civil and commercial matters to which the Mainland laws apply.

The Acting Secretary for Justice, Dr Cheung Kwok-kwan, said, "The GBA has the unique advantage of 'one country, two systems and three jurisdictions'. GBA lawyers are dually qualified and can play an important role in facilitating the construction of the rule of law in the GBA as well as contributing to the country's high-quality development. The Department of Justice will continue to support the authorities including the Ministry of Justice and the Department of Justice of Guangdong Province in their work to take forward the development of the GBA lawyers scheme, and also maintain communication with the legal sector to assist GBA lawyers in their business development."

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