

Department of Justice releases "Prosecutions Hong Kong 2025"

The Prosecutions Division of the Department of Justice (DoJ) today (May 19) released "Prosecutions Hong Kong 2025", which reviews its work in 2025.

This annual report, themed "Walk in Justice, Now and Forever More", provides an in-depth review of how the Prosecutions Division remained steadfast in upholding the rule of law and discharging its duty as a minister of justice amid an increasingly complex criminal landscape.

Core value - prosecutorial independence as the cornerstone of the rule of law

In the Director's Overview, the Director of Public Prosecutions, Ms Maggie Yang, emphasised that prosecutorial independence enshrined in Article 63 of the Basic Law is the cornerstone of the criminal justice system in Hong Kong. Public prosecutors "walk in justice" by ensuring that justice is delivered to victims of crime, defendants, and the community as a whole in a fair, impartial, and even-handed manner at every stage of the criminal justice process.

International co-operation - a global showcase of Hong Kong's rule of law

In 2025, Hong Kong organised the 15th China-ASEAN Prosecutors-General Conference, hosted by the Supreme People's Procuratorate of the People's Republic of China. The Conference brought together around 80 prosecutors to discuss challenges in combating money laundering and corruption in the technological age. It not only marked a milestone in regional criminal justice co-operation, but also showcased Hong Kong's unwavering commitment to and unique position in upholding the rule of law under the "one country, two systems" principle.

Professional effectiveness - statistics and key cases

Over the past year, the Prosecutions Division demonstrated its outstanding professional efficiency while handling a substantial workload. The annual report presents various prosecutorial statistics and, through an overview of the duties of and notable cases handled by each subdivision, demonstrates their dedication to maintaining the effective operation of the criminal justice system.

"Prosecutions Hong Kong 2025" is now available on the DoJ website (www.doj.gov.hk/en/publications/yrreviewpd2025.html). Members of the public can also

scan the QR code on the physical "Justice Link" information card to access the full electronic version.

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