

WOMEN'S COMMISSION
Secretary's Report

INTRODUCTION

This paper informs Members of the activities undertaken by the Women's Commission (WoC) and Welfare Team 2 of the Labour and Welfare Bureau (LWB) since the 57th meeting held on 29 January 2010.

ACTIVITIES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING

2. The activities held since the last meeting are as follows -

- 30 January 2010 : PAS(Welfare)2 officiated at the graduation ceremony for the women leaders jointly organised by Tsuen Wan District Council Social Service & Community Information Committee Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Tsuen Wan Kwai Ching District Women's Association.
- 26 February – 4 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson and AS(Welfare)2C attended the 54th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) held in New York as part of the Chinese delegation. They also attended the NGO Global Forum held right before the CSW.
- 5 March 2010 : PAS(Welfare)2 attended the International Women's Day (IWD) 2010 Gala Lunch organised by the Women's Foundation.
- 6 March 2010 : Dr Yeung Ka-ching officiated at an event entitled "Marking the 100th anniversary of IWD with a talk by Dr Lee Lok Sze and with the establishment of the Kowloon Women's Organisations Federation "Cultural Groups Committee"" organised by Kowloon Women's Organisations Federation.

- 8 March 2010 : WoC held a luncheon talk on “Women’s Participation – An Economic Development Imperative” to celebrate IWD. Over 300 guests participated. The WoC Chairperson; Mr Paul Tang, Permanent Secretary for Labour and Welfare (PSLW); and Ms Guo Li, Deputy Director, Liaison Office of the Central People’s Government in the HKSARG officiated at the ceremony.

Speakers of the luncheon talk included the Hon. Leung Chun-ying, Convenor of the Non-official Members, Executive Council; Mrs Margaret Leung, Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive, Hang Seng Bank; and Ms Eirene Yeung, Director, Corporate Strategy Unit and Company Secretary, Cheung Kong (Holdings) Limited. Prof Richard Wong, Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost of the University of Hong Kong, was the commentator while Ms Ayesha Macpherson was the moderator of the luncheon talk.

A series of radio promotional programmes in connection with IWD was launched between 28 February and 13 March through Metro Radio, including a delay broadcast of the WoC luncheon talk and promos on women’s economic participation.

The WoC Chairperson officiated at the cocktail reception celebrating the IWD organised by the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions Women Affairs Committee.

- 16 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended 香港工商界婦女紀念“三八”國際婦女節聯歡宴會 organised by 香港工商界婦女紀念“三八”國際婦女節籌備委員會.
- 17 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson and four WoC Members¹ had a meeting with a delegation from the All-China Women’s Federation to discuss women-related matters. PAS(Welfare)² and the Secretary also attended.

¹ Ms Au Yeung Po-chun, Dr Miranda Chan, Ms Lau Ka-shi and Mrs Stella Lau.

The WoC Chairperson and PSLW officiated at the cocktail reception organised by the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR for the celebration of IWD. PAS(Welfare)2, the Secretary, AS(Welfare)2B and AS(Welfare)2C also attended.

- 20 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended “家庭健康月 2010” organised by the Hong Kong Federation of Women.
- 21 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson officiated at an event celebrating the IWD jointly organised by the 香港廣東社團總會, 香港廣西社團總會, 香港福建社團聯會 and 香港僑界社團聯會.
- 22 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended the Opening Ceremony of “RainLily Crisis Centre” in United Christian Hospital organised by the Association Concerning Sexual Violence Against Women.
- 23 March 2010 : Dr Yeung Ka-ching attended a filming sharing session on “神偷...能偷走香港的核心價值?” organised by the Kowloon Women’s Organisations Federation.
- 29 March 2010 : The WoC Chairperson attended and officiated at the Opening Ceremony of the Regional Conference on Women with Disabilities 2010 hosted by Guangzhou Disabled Persons' Federation and co-organised by Guangzhou Association of Disabled Women in Guangzhou. AS(Welfare)2B also attended.

ADVICE SOUGHT

3. Members are invited to note the activities as listed in paragraph 2 above.

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