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Visitors Enjoy Fun and Memorable Experiences at Hong Kong West Kowloon Station Public Open Days

The Hong Kong West Kowloon Station of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong High Speed Rail ("HSR") (Hong Kong Section) welcomed about 20,000 visitors yesterday and today (1 - 2 September 2018) to experience the new station facilities before the commencement of HSR service on 23 September 2018.

Impressed by the magnificent design of the station, visitors grasped the opportunity to familiarise themselves with station facilities including ticket machines, ticket counters, entry gates, and other ancillary services. They also learned more about the benefits and features of the HSR service through interactive exhibition panels, interesting game booths, and informative displays. Furthermore, there were plenty of iconic spots and backdrops for visitors to pose for memorable photo opportunities.

"We are delighted to see so many happy faces at the Open Days and this reflects their excitement and anticipation towards the commissioning of the HSR. Our colleagues are fully geared up to provide passengers with high quality service," said Mr Adi Lau, Operations Director of MTR Corporation.

"The HSR service will be commissioned on 23 September. The Station is scheduled to open at 6:00am and first train will depart at 7:00am. We are ready and look forward to welcoming passengers upon the commencement of this brand new mode of cross-boundary travel," added Mr Lau.

Upon the opening of HSR, the Hong Kong Section will connect with the over 25,000km-long National High-speed Rail Network and trains will run between Hong Kong West Kowloon Station and 44 Mainland destinations including 6 short-haul destinations and 38 long-haul destinations.

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Photo Captions:

1. Mr Adi Lau (right), Operations Director of MTR Corporation shares the excitement of the upcoming opening of HSR with visitors at the Open Days.



2. MTR staff members introduce the facilities in Hong Kong West Kowloon Station and Vibrant Express to visitors during guided tours.



3. Visitors take photos in front of HSR backdrops to capture the memorable moments.

