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MTR Welcomes Hong Kong's First Five-Year Plan and the 2026 Policy Address Accelerating New Railway Projects and Building Communities to Support Hong Kong's Development

MTR Corporation welcomes Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan and the 2026 Policy Address, announced by the Chief Executive today (16 September 2026), which set out initiatives to advance Hong Kong's railway network and accelerate the building of the Northern Metropolis. The Corporation will continue to work closely with the Government to press ahead at full speed with the Northern Link and other railway projects, leveraging railway infrastructure to drive city growth and supporting Hong Kong to better integrate into and serve national development.

"We welcome Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan and the 2026 Policy Address, and will fully support Hong Kong's future development and strategic positioning. Upholding our purpose to 'Keep Cities Moving', MTR remains committed to providing safe, reliable and efficient railway services while building communities through railway. This will support Hong Kong to better integrate into and serve the country's overall development under the 15th Five-Year Plan," said Dr Jacob Kam, Chairman of the MTR Corporation.

MTR has all along been serving Hong Kong with railway services at its core. In alignment with the "infrastructure-led" approach and the "Eight Vertical and Eight Horizontal" grand layout, the Corporation will leverage its railway expertise and experience to accelerate the planning and delivery of new railway projects, enhancing connectivity within and between districts. Alongside railway development, another key mission of the Corporation is, through its "Rail plus Property" model, to make effective use of land granted by the Government in connection with these railway projects. Resources generated from such property initiatives will be utilised for the construction, operation and continuous enhancement of the future railway network, while building communities that are ideal for living and work. The Corporation is taking forward seven new railway projects across the Northern Metropolis, Lantau Island and Tuen Mun. Detailed planning and design is also underway for the South Island Line (West) and Pak Shek Kok Station on the East Rail Line, while the Corporation has submitted tender for the Smart & Green Mass Transit System in Kai Tak, applying its railway expertise to support Hong Kong's continued advancement.

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The Northern Metropolis will be a new engine for the future development of Hong Kong. MTR fully supports the policy directions set out in the National 15th Five-Year Plan, Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan and this year's Policy Address, and is accelerating railway construction and community planning in the Northern Metropolis. Kwu Tung Station on the East Rail Line, located at the town centre of the future Kwu Tung North New Development Area, will commence service next year. Hung Shui Kiu Station, which will primarily serve the future Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area, is approaching completion of its foundation works. It will be the world's first rail station to adopt a "build first, skid later" approach for the construction of station structures, significantly enhancing construction efficiency and quality. As the public transport backbone for the Northern Metropolis, the Northern Link will connect communities across the area, promote technological and industrial innovation through projects such as the Hetao Hong Kong Park, as well as strengthen connectivity between Hong Kong and ShenZhen. Following the signing of the Northern Link (Part 1) Project Agreement with the Government last year, the Corporation commenced works immediately. We are currently discussing the financing, construction, operation and maintenance arrangements for the remaining works of the Main Line and Spur Line. The target is to achieve a simultaneous opening no later than 2034, which will catalyse land and economic growth along the alignment, enhance the capacity of cross-boundary passenger services in the middle parts of the boundary between Hong Kong and Shenzhen, and drive the development of "Guangdong Hong Kong Macao Greater Bay Area on the Rail".

MTR also welcomes the proposal in Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan to accelerate the utilisation of artificial intelligence, transformation of research achievements and expansion of application scenarios. As Hong Kong's railway network enters a new phase, the Corporation has formulated a strategic roadmap for the next five years. By harnessing technology and artificial intelligence to drive business transformation, and by integrating innovation and technology into its operations, the Corporation will continue to enhance operational efficiency and service quality, promote sustainable development and create long-term value for society. At the same time, MTR embraces the Five-Year Plan's vision for Hong Kong to serve as a bridge for the promotion of Chinese standards. By leveraging the newly-formulated Hong Kong Railway Standards, the Northern Link project can serve as an entry point to help drive the global adoption of Chinese standards.

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About MTR Corporation

To Keep Cities Moving, MTR makes encounters happen and rendezvous for a more connected tomorrow. As a recognised world-class operator of sustainable rail transport services, we are a leader in safety, reliability, customer service and efficiency.

MTR has extensive end-to-end railway expertise with over 45 years of railway projects experience from design to planning and construction through to commissioning, maintenance and operations. Going beyond railway delivery and operation, MTR also creates and manages dynamic communities around its network through seamless integration of rail, commercial and property development.

With more than 46,000 dedicated staff*, MTR carries over 13 million passenger journeys worldwide every weekday in Hong Kong, Chinese Mainland and beyond. Together, we Go Smart and Go Beyond.

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