

Progress of Archaeological Projects conducted by AMO between July and August 2008

Item	Site	Project Duration	Development	Background	Project Director	Result
1.	Shek Kiu Tau, Sha Tau Kok (沙頭角石橋頭村)	Archaeological Survey in early July 2008 (a week)	Small House Development	The site was first recorded by the Second Territory-wide survey. Field investigation in 2000 discovered prehistoric cultural remains and ceramic sherds of Song and Ming periods.	Field Archaeology Unit of AMO	No cultural remains were recovered from test pits of the proposed village house site.
2.	Chi Ma Wan Prison, Lantau Island (大嶼山芝麻灣監獄)	Archaeological Survey in late July 2008 (two weeks)	Redevelopment of Prison	No archaeological survey has been ever conducted within the prison area. A number of archaeological sites, namely Cheung Sha Wan Archaeological Site, Tung Kok Archaeological Site are situated along the coastal area of Chi Ma Wan Peninsula, where abundant cultural remains were unearthed.	Field Archaeology Unit of AMO	Pottery sherds of Bronze Age and Tang dynasty were yielded from the disturbed layers of two test pits respectively. Further survey will be required once the site is vacant.
3.	Cheung Shue Tan, Tai Po (大埔樟樹灘)	Post-excavation work between mid Aug to Nov 2008 (four months)	Road Improvement Project	The site was first identified by Mr. Au Ka-fat and Mr. Mo Zhi in 1999. Subsequently, Ms Liu Mao conducted field investigation for the proposed project and recommended rescue excavation for certain project areas in 2001. AMO conducted survey for the road entrance in November 2005. Rescue Excavation programme for road project was reported to Members vide AAB Board Paper AAB/65/2005-06 and the findings of the excavation were reported in AAB/78/2005-06, AAB/5/2007-08 and AAB/15/2007-08.	Field Archaeology Unit of AMO	The excavation was conducted between November 2006 and March 2007. Prehistoric stone implements and pottery sherds were yielded from stable cultural deposits. Report writing and finds processing are underway