

Progress of Archaeological Projects between December 2010 and January 2011 (Progress as at 31 January 2011)

Item	Project	Background	Progress/Result
1.	Archaeological investigation at Site 2 of Area 54, Tuen Mun Public Housing Development (屯門 54 區第 2 號地盤) from mid October to early December 2010	Some cultural remains of Ming and Qing periods were found within the study area of Area 54 development during the Second Territory-wide Survey.	No significant cultural remain was yielded from test pits for the proposed public housing site in the course of AMO's fieldwork.
2.	Post-excavation research work between November 2010 to January 2011 for rescue excavation 2008-09 at So Kwun Wat, Tuen Mun (屯門 掃管笏)	<p>The So Kwun Wat site was recorded as early as the 1920s. Its significance was further substantiated by subsequent investigations over the past decades.</p> <p>The rescue operation between 2008 and 2009 was conducted jointly with the Institute of Archaeology, Chinese Academy of Social Science (IACASS, 中國社會科學院考古研究所). The field report and the gist of excavation findings were published in the <i>Archaeology (考古) Journal</i> No.7 of 2010 and in the book named <i>Major Archaeological Discoveries in China in 2009</i> (國家文物局主編, 《2009 中國重要考古發現》, 北京: 文物出版社, 2010. 4) respectively.</p>	Finds processing and preparation for the research report are underway.
3.	Study on the old trails in rural areas	A study was commissioned in January 2011 to assess the cultural heritage values of old footpaths in rural areas.	The study commenced in January 2011 and is targeted for completion in mid 2011.