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**BOARD PAPER
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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE
ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD**

PROGRESS REPORT

PURPOSE

This paper briefs Members on the progress of major heritage conservation issues and activities since 1 February 2021.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES

Declaration of Monuments

2. A the meeting on 11 March 2021, the Board recommended the declaration of the Bonham Road Government Primary School in Sai Ying Pun, Old Tai Po Police Station in Tai Po and Hip Tin Temple in Sha Tau Kok as monuments under the Antiquities and Monuments Ordinance (Cap. 53) (the “Ordinance”). The Antiquities and Monuments Office (“AMO”) is taking forward the proposed declaration in accordance with the procedures laid down in the Ordinance.

Preservation of Historic Buildings and Structures

3. The latest position on the preservation of historic buildings and structures monitored by the Board is set out at **Annex A**.

Restoration and Maintenance Programmes

4. The progress of restoration and maintenance projects undertaken by AMO is set out at **Annex B**.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECTS

Archaeological Licences

5. The progress of archaeological projects with licences issued is summarised at Annex C.

EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY

Statistics

6. Statistics on educational and publicity activities organised by the Commissioner for Heritage's Office ("CHO") and AMO between 1 February and 15 May 2021 are at Annex D.

Programmes and Activities Organised by CHO

7. "Heritage Fiesta cum Roving Exhibition 2021" featuring 11 government-owned revitalised historic buildings, is scheduled for 1 September to 31 December 2021. Instagram promotion on the photo points located at the historic buildings under Batch I to III of the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme will be launched in August 2021.

Educational Programmes Organised by AMO

8. Major educational activities organised by AMO include:
- (a) the "Heritage Over a Century: Tung Wah Museum and Heritage Conservation" exhibition was on display at the Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre ("HDC") from 29 May 2020 to 24 February 2021. It recorded a total attendance of 12 937;
 - (b) the "Restoration of Duddell Street Steps and Gas Lamps" staged at HDC since 14 September 2020 has recorded an attendance of 8 515 as at 15 May 2021;
 - (c) the "A Regional Centre for Two Millennia in Lingnan: Photo Exhibition of the Archaeological Discoveries Made at the Palace of

the Nanyue Kindgom”, jointly presented with the Archaeological Site Museum of Nanyue Palace in Guangzhou, staged at HDC since 30 April 2021 has recorded an attendance of 1 776 as at 15 May 2021; and

- (d) five online lectures were held between late February and 15 May 2021 with a total of 455 participants. Details of the lectures are at **Annex E**.
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