

Information on Safeguarding National Security for Ethnic Minorities Community

The Secretariat of the Committee for Safeguarding National Security of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region is pleased to announce that key information on safeguarding national security is now available in eight ethnic minority (EM) languages, namely Bahasa Indonesia, Hindi, Nepali, Punjabi, Tagalog, Thai, Urdu and Vietnamese, on the website of “National Security Education Day” (NSED) (<https://www.nsed.gov.hk>).

2. National security is the cornerstone of national stability and the bedrock of people's well-being. Therefore, safeguarding national security is the top priority for every country around the world. An inalienable part of the People's Republic of China, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region bears the constitutional responsibility to safeguard national security. Like all the people in our country, Hong Kong residents also share the obligation to safeguard national sovereignty, unification and territorial integrity of the People's Republic of China.

3. To facilitate the EM community to have a better understanding of safeguarding national security, we have made available on the NSED website a booklet entitled “Legislation for Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administration Region” (the Booklet) in eight EM languages. The Booklet introduces basic information on the Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, including matters relating to the necessity and urgency, legal basis and significance of enacting the law, as well as protection of lawful rights and freedoms, rule of law and judicial independence, and staunch support from different sectors of society. The Home Affairs Department and the Centre for Harmony and Enhancement of Ethnic Minority Residents have provided support and assistance in respect of the proof-reading of the translation of the Booklet.

4. In addition to the Booklet, selected contents of the NSED website have also been translated to eight EM languages. The “Understanding National Security” and “About the National Security Education Day” Sections of the website set out, amongst others, the holistic view of national security as well as its overall goal, five essential elements and five pairs of relationships.

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