

## Shorelines Cleanup Day promotes protection of marine environment

The Government's Inter-departmental Working Group on Clean Shorelines and International College Hong Kong co-organised a Shorelines Cleanup Day at Sha Lan, Tai Po on June 13 to promote the message of keeping the shorelines clean.

Dozens of students, parents and teachers gathered at Sha Lan to sort and systematically record the refuse collected, according to the guidelines provided by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD). The participants were keen to help keeping the shorelines clean and learn about the significance of protecting the marine environment through their participation. A total of 89.5 kg of refuse was collected, most of which was disposable plastic. The participating students suggested that one should not use disposable items so as to reduce waste at source to help keeping the shorelines clean. The Head of International College Hong Kong said that the school would continue to participate in shorelines cleanup events.

We should treasure our beautiful shorelines, which provide popular destinations for relaxation during the hot summer as well as essential habitat for wildlife.

The Working Group co-organises Shorelines Cleanup Day with schools and community groups to enable the participants to learn about protecting the marine environment. This activity is the Working Group's third joint cleanup event with schools and community groups since April 2015.

The Government set up the Inter-departmental Working Group in November 2012 to review and formulate measures to further improve the cleanliness of our shorelines. Information on Shorelines Cleanup Day is available on the Clean Shorelines website. Those interested in co-organising the event can visit the [website](#) for more details.



Achievement of Shorelines Cleanup Day  
海岸清潔日活動成果

Date	Location	Co-organiser	No. of participants	Total weight of refuse collected (kg)
13 June 2015 (Sat) am	Sha Lan, Tai Po	International College Hong Kong	23	89.5

日期	地點	協辦團體	參加者人數	垃圾總重量 (公斤)
2015年6月13日 (星期六)上午	大埔沙欄	International College Hong Kong	23	89.5