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HKEAA Stringently Follow-up on Cases of Online Posting of Examination Papers

The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) is stringently following up on cases in which examination papers of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) were posted on social media platforms. Cases suspected of having contravened the law were reported to the Police for investigation on 16 April 2024. The HKEAA is fully cooperating with the Police in the investigation.

Initial findings indicate that the cases involving the online posting of HKDSE examination papers occurred after the completion of the respective subject examinations. Therefore, the confidentiality of the HKDSE has not been affected.

According to the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority Ordinance, every person who has been appointed by the HKEAA, including HKDSE examination personnel, shall preserve and aid in preserving secrecy with regard to all matters coming to his/her knowledge in the exercise or performance of any duty or function.

The HKEAA has reminded the examination personnel of all examination centres that it is strictly prohibited to reproduce or publish the content of examination papers in any format without the approval of the HKEAA. If it is confirmed that any examination personnel have contravened the confidentiality regulations, stringent follow-up actions will be taken according to the established procedures. If the related actions involve suspected unlawful acts, they shall be reported to the relevant law enforcement agencies for handling.

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