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# COUNTRY AND MARINE PARKS BOARD

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# Country and Marine Parks Authority Progress Report (1.12.2012 – 31.3.2013)

# A. Country Parks & Special Areas

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# I. <u>CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS</u>

		Progress	Anticipated Completion Date
(1)	Reconstruction of Tsing Lung Tau, Tai Tong and Twisk Section at Tai Lam Forest Track and Grass Hill	Completed in January 2013.	• <u>·</u> · ·
	Section at Shing Mun Forest Track		

# II. <u>RECREATION FACILITIES AND SERVICES</u>

# (1) <u>Management Services</u>

Refuse collected (tonnes)

Year	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Total
2011-2012	435	360	277	304	1,376
2012 - 2013	360	. 343	291	281	1,275

Path maintained/upgraded	353	Km
No. of trees planted	12,200	No.
No. of trees produced in the nursery	118,900	No.
No. of trees tended	63,000	No.

# (2) <u>Provision of Facilities</u>

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Item	Total at 31.3.2013	Item	Total at 31.3.2013
Barbecue Site	179	Fitness Equipment	104
Picnic Site	168	Refreshment Kiosk	8
Camp Site	40	Flushing Toilet	46
Morning Walker Garden	25	No. of Portable Toilet	117
Information Board	354	Warden Post	16
Shelters	270	Visitor Centre/ Education Centre	8
Play Equipment	42		

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# (3) <u>Fire Protection</u>

Month		s inside or country park	Area affe	cted (Ha)	No. of tree	es affected
Dec., 12	2	(6)	3.25	(7.60)	0	(185)
Jan., 13	4	(1)	13.06	(2.50)	0	(0)
Feb., 13	3 .	(0)	10.04	(0)	797	(0)
Mar., 13	1	(2)	4.00	(3.70)	300	(200)
Total	10	(9)	30.35	(13.80)	1,097	(385)

The 2012-2013 fire season commenced on 22.9.2012:

( ) denotes figures of same month last year.

## III. <u>VISITOR STATISTICS</u>

During the report period there was an overall decrease of 4.94% of visitor number compared with the corresponding period of last year. The monthly breakdown is as below:

Year	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.	Total
2011 - 2012	1,353,000	1,211,000	1,002,000	1,050,000	4,616,000
2012 - 2013	1,339,000	1,081,000	991,000	977,000	4,388,000
% change	-1.03%	-10.73%	-1.10%	-6.95%	-4.94%

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In 2012 the number of visitors to each country park is given below:

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	Country Parks/					-	No. of Viistors	S						:
Region	Special Area*	1/2012	2/2012	3/2012	4/2012	5/2012	6/2012	7/2012	8/2012	9/2012	10/2012	11/2012	12/2012	Sub-total
Hong Kong	Aberdeen	106,000	80,800	81,700	78,400	79,300	78,100	77,200	72,500	63,400	64,800	62,800	68,800	913,800
	Tai Tam	87,400	80,600	74,000	75,300	58,000	56,400	72,100	72,500	92,300	113,800	97,600	130,300	1,010,300
	Lung Fu Shan	23,400	19,500	23,200	25,000	21,600	23,100	22,400	19,900	21,000	20,600	17,800	21,100	258,600
	Quarry Bay	64,500	58,000	67,800	61,700	63,700	65,000	64,900	61,700	72,400	74,100	61,800	68,800	784,400
	Pokfulam	20,200	17,200	20,300	22,400	19,600	20,900	21,000	16,600	18,500	18,500	17,600	20,500	233,300
	Sub-total	301,500	256,100	267,000	262,800	242,200	243,500	257,600	243,200	267,600	291,800	257,600	309,500	3.200,400
Lantau	Lantau (N&S)	179,200	115,300	118,400	142,200	140,700	134,600	205,200	185,200	133,600	162,400	146,300	184,000	1,847,100
	Sub-total	179,200	115,300	118,400	142,200	140,700	134,600	205,200	185,200	.133,600	162,400	146,300	184,000	1.847.100
West	Tai Mo Shan	19,800	15,100	17,100	27,100	14,600	11,300	13,900	10,500	13,600	28,800	28,000	33,000	232,800
	Tai Lam	35,200	15,000	16,900	26,900	18,200	11,500	15,700	11,300	15,800	34,200	36,700	34,900	272.300
	Sub-total	55,000	30,100	34,000	54,000	32,800	22,800	29,600	21,800	29,400	63,000	64,700	67,900	505,100
North	Plover Cove	262,600	249,900	251,600	272,100	261,800	238,700	239,300	220,600	226,200	248,000	239,900	279,700	2,990,400
	Pat Sin Leng	31,300	29,700	31,700	32,800	33,200	26,300	26,100	24,000	25,900	27,900	27,200	29,100	345,200
39	Tai Po Kau	5,600	4,800	6,300	4,900	3,000	2,000	2,800	3,700	5,100	7,000	5,400	7,000	57,600
	Lam Tsuen	200	400	200	100	100	100	200	300	400	600	200	400	3,200
	Sub-total	299,700	284,800	289,800	309,900	298,100	267,100	268,400	248,600	257,600	283,500	272,700	316,200	3,396,400
Central	Shing Mun	44,500	37,400	43,200	62,300	56,000	32,600	38,000	31,300	36,400	60,400	47,800	61,500	551,400
	Kam Shan	13,200	10,700	10,600	10.900	8,300	7,700	8,600	7,100	7,900	9,100	15,700	10,200	120,000
	Lion Rock	17,200	14,600	15,600	13,200	11,800	10,100	10,900	9,800	10,700	12,000	18,700	15,400	160,000
	<u>Ma On Shan</u>	46,700	46,700	48,200	48,600	21,000	18,500	22,000	31,000	19,100	27,000	32,900	40,300	402,000
	Sub-total	121,600	109,400	117,600	135,000	97.100	68,900	79,500	79,200	74,100	108.500	115,100	127,400	1,233,400
Sai Kung	Sai Kung (E&W)	175,600	134,100	153,700	143,000	148,800	110,600	134,300	127,000	155,700	173,000	200,300	231,700	1,887,800
	Sub-total	175,600	134,100	153,700	143,000	148,800	110,600	134,300	127,000	155,700	173:000	200,300	231,700	1,887,800
LNEC	Tsiu Hang*	21,700	22,700	22,900	27,900	25,400	20,100	20,700	22,300	20,300	37,600	45,900	43,600	331,100
	Clear Water Bay	56,700	49,200	46,600	21,600	39,300	34,300	38,500	36,700	38,500	49,400	43,000	59,100	512,900
	Sub-total	. 78,400	71,900	69,500	49,500	64,700	54,400	59,200	59,000	58,800	87,000	006,88	102,700	
Total		1,211,000	1,001,700	1,050,000	1,096,400	1,024,400	901,900 1,033,800	,033,800	964,000	976,800	1,169,200	1,145,600	1,339,400	12,914,200

#### IV. LAW ENFORCEMENT

A total of 419 prosecution cases had been handled in connection with the Country Parks Ordinance, Forests and Countryside Ordinance and Wild Animals Protection Ordinance. The number of prosecutions is summarized below

Nature of offence	No. of cases *
Littering	1 <sup>Δ</sup> + 83 <sup>#</sup>
Camping in non-designated site	72
Illegal entry of bicycle	201
Illegal entry of vehicle	. 48
Damaging and cutting plant	6
Spitting	1#
Illegal possession of hunting appliance	5
Illegal erecting buildings	1
Illegal feeding of monkey	1
Total	419

Remarks: \*No. of cases denotes the number of persons being prosecuted during the reporting period. Total fines for the period is \$186,800, which also includes the fines partly collected from cases carried forward from previous reporting periods and partly from current period. During the period, one unsuccessful case was recorded.

<sup>#</sup> Fixed Penalty Notice @\$1,500.

 $^{\Delta}$ Summons.

#### V. ORGANIZED EVENTS

In the report period, 265 permits were given under Reg. 11 of the Country Parks and Special Areas Regulation to organized events (mainly sporting activities) in country parks.

Dec., 12	Jan., 13	Feb., 13	Mar., 13	Total
83	69	37	76	265

#### VI. <u>CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT</u>

A total of 50 development proposals were received. There was no objection to 25 of them, the other 25 were being processed. Most of these were related to minor works concerning electric supply and slope works.

#### VII. EDUCATION/VISITOR SERVICES

#### (1) <u>No. of Visits to Visitor Centres</u>

A total of 301,982 persons visited the Country Park Visitor Centres and Education Centres. In which, 156,373 persons visited Sai Kung, Aberdeen, Shing Mun, Clear Water Bay, Tai Mo Shan and Plover Cove Country Parks Visitor Centres; 20,203 persons visited Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre; 108,853 persons visited Lions Nature Education Centre and 6,432 persons visited Ngong Ping Nature Centre.

#### (2) <u>Video Shows of Country Parks</u>

A total of 17,920 video shows on country parks and nature conservation were given, reaching an audience of 55,740. Besides, the "Songs of Nature" were played at various Visitor Centres to promote the voted Best Scenic Sites of Hong Kong.

#### (3) <u>Guided Tour</u>

A total of 1,174 participants from 28 organizations joined the guided tour at Lions Nature Education Centre; 270 participants from 43 groups joined the guided walk at Ngong Ping Nature Centre; 910 participants from 66 groups joined the guided tours at Pineapple Dam Nature Trail; 866 participants from 21 groups joined the guided tours at Shing Mun Country Park Visitor Centre.

#### (4) Fixed Point Guided Tour

From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 30,122 participants from 1,129 organizations joined the Fixed Point Guided Tour at Lions Nature Education Centre; a total of 13,616 participants joined Fixed Point Guided Tour at Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre; a total of 13,095 participants joined Fixed Point Guided Tour at Shing Mun Country Park Visitor Centre.

#### (5) Country Park Volunteer Scheme

The Country Park Volunteer Scheme has been commenced since March 2010. At present, there are 996 volunteers recruited. After the volunteers completed the training, they will assist the organization of various nature conservation and education activities of the country parks. From 1 December 2012 to 31 March 2013, total number of volunteer served hours is 15,392 hours.

#### (6) <u>"Nature in Touch" 2012 Country Parks Education Programme</u>

The education programme has been commenced since October 2012 and has been closed in March 2013. A closing and prize presentation ceremony has been held on 9 March 2013, which has invited 291 prizewinners and guests. From October 2012 to March 2013, there were 24,140 people participated in the roving exhibition. A total of 228,417 people participated in "Nature in Touch" 2012 Country Parks Education Programme.

#### (7) <u>Great Outdoors Hong Kong</u>

The "Great Outdoors Hong Kong" hiking activity was co-organized by the Hong Kong Tourism Board and AFCD. A total of 639 people participated at Ngong Ping to Tai O on 9 December 2012, 730 people participate in fixed point guided tour and 1,077 people visited the hiking safety exhibitions along the way.

#### (8) <u>School Visit Programme</u>

School visit programme was launched again in 2012-13 school year to convey nature conservation message to students. From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 10,391 students from 31 primary schools and 5,034 students from 46 kindergartens participated.

#### (9) <u>"Country Parks Reporters 2013" Inter-school Competition</u>

The department organized an inter-school contest, called "Country Parks Reporters Competition 2013", from March to June 2013. Participants can visit or even participate in different management works of the country parks. Participants are required to submit an entry to report their observation after the site visits. A total of 32 students from eight schools participated in the "Talking with Reporters" Sharing Session on 2 March and a total of 83 students from 17 schools participated in the site visits on 16 March.

#### (10) <u>Tree Walks Guided Tour</u>

From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 1,078 participants from about 165 organizations joined the Tree Walks Guided Tours at Quarry Bay Tree Walks and Ngong Ping Tree Walks.

#### (11) <u>"Nature Appreciation – Practice" Country Park Education Activities</u>

From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 16 "Nature Appreciation – Practice" activities were carried out. A total of 420 kindergarten and primary students joined the activities.

#### (12) School Guided Eco-Tours Service 2012

The department organized free guided tours to schools from October to December 2012. Through the activity, students can learn about the geology, ecology and cultural heritage in the High Island, Sharp Island and Jin Island in Sai Kung. In December 2012, a total of 359 primary and secondary students from 26 groups participated in the Guided Tour.

#### (13) Guided Field Study for Secondary Schools

"Nature in Touch" Country Parks Guided Field Study for Secondary Schools has been launched from November 2012 to May 2013. From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 1,192 secondary students from 42 schools participated in the Guided Field Study at AFCD Lions Nature Education Centre and Tai Po Kau Nature Reserve. The contractor guided the students to understand the concept and importance of the biodiversity, nature conservation and sustainable development in Hong Kong with the use of worksheets provided in "Hong Kong Country Parks Education Kit for Secondary Schools".

## (14) <u>"Country Parks Orienteering" Programme</u>

From November 2012 to May 2013, the department organized the "Country Parks Orienteering" programme for students to experience orienteering and to learn about the country parks. From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 286 students from 11 schools participated in the programme.

## (15) Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre School Programmes

Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre has tailored a series of education programmes for schools in different levels. Through the gallery guided tour and activities, students are given opportunities to explore and experience the abundant biodiversity of Hong Kong. From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 178 students from eight schools participated in the programme.

## (16) <u>Biodiversity Conservation Day in Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre</u>

Biodiversity Conservation Day is held in Woodside Biodiversity Education Centre on the last Sunday of each month, promoting the biodiversity in Hong Kong, as well as to foster public awareness and knowledge of nature conservation by a series of education activities such as public lectures, guided tour of exhibition galleries, education workshops, film appreciations and guided tour of Quarry Bay Tree Walk. From December 2012 to March 2013, a total of 1,426 people participated in the programme.

## (17) "Nature in Touch" Thematic Exhibition in City Gallery

From 25 October 2012 to 7 January 2013, "Nature in Touch" Thematic Exhibition and workshops are organized by AFCD in City Gallery of Planning Department. There were a total of 5,570 visitors and 1,003 people participated in workshops.

### (18) Hong Kong Tree Planting Day

A total of 2,000 participants planted 10,000 trees at High Island Reservoir West Dam, Sai Kung in the "Hong Kong Tree Planting Day" on 23 March 2013.

# (19) Enquiries

Nature	Dec., 12	Jan., 13	Feb., 13	Mar., 13	Total
Information on public transport	4,056	3,144	2,572	2,737	12,509
Information on hiking routes	4,417	2,597	2,213	2,079	11,306
Location of recreation facilities	1,622	1,196	1,086	1,038	4,942
Location of utility facilities	1,663	1,180	1,225	1,207	5,275
Location of scenic places and similar information	1,785	1,092	1,080	1,011	4,968
Organized activities	1,091	780	685	598	3,154
Others *	2,705	1,606	1,040	1,234	6,585
Total	17,339	11,595	9,901	9,904	48,739

Enquiries concerning Country Parks were received and handled. Details are listed below:

\* Mainly related to Pak Tam Chung barrier permit, coach permit, country parks publications, fishing licence, wild animals, marine parks, cycling permits, ordinances and regulations, dog vaccination.

## (20) Advice

Advice was given to 154,435 visitors in the Country Parks as follows:

Nature	Dec., 12	Jan., 13	Feb., 13	Mar., 13	Total
Littering	49,589	39,137	39,161	26,385	154,272
Others	44	35	38	46	163
Total	49,633	39,172	39,199	26,431	154,435

# (21) <u>Assistance</u>

Assistance was offered to the public on:

Nature	Dec., 12	Jan., 13	Feb., 13	Mar., 13	Total
First aid	13	4	7	6	30
Handicapped persons	290	226	231	. 79	826
Search and rescue	1	0	1	0	2
Return of lost properties	3	5	4	1	13
Total	307	235	243	86	871

(22) Free Distribution of Publicity Materials

Nature	Dec., 12	Jan., 13	Feb., 13	Mar., 13	Total
Pamphlets	8,618	8,167	6,548	7,969	31,302
Posters	73	74	66	94	307
Bookmarks	43	45	47	38	173
Booklets	1,171	1,493	1,612	1,505	5,781
Others	14	12	6	131	163
Total	9,919	9,791	8,279	9,737	37,726

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# Marine Parks and Marine Reserve

## 1. <u>FACILITIES</u>

As at 31.3.2013, the following facilities had been installed in marine parks and marine reserve:

Facilities	Constructed/replaced between 1.12.2012 – 31.3.2013	Total nos. at 31.3.2013
Signs (various warnings)	16 (replaced)	128
Park sign	-	21 ·
Sign (various purposes)	-	52
Boundary marker buoy	-	14
Marker buoy		38
Buoy for Mechanized Vessel Restricted Zone	2 (replaced)	205
Buoy for Inboard Vessel Prohibited Zone	-	4
Mooring buoy for divers	6 (replaced)	32
Boundary post	-	17
Sign post	-	21
Information board	u	6
Litter bin	-	15
Banners	-	2
Way mark	-	10
Memorial Stand	••	1

## 2. LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ADVICE

2.1 During the report period, a total of 673 advices and 27 verbal warnings were given to fishermen and visitors and 12 prosecutions were taken against offenders in marine parks and marine reserve.

Nature of offence	Nos. of prosecution	Nos. completed hearing	Fines (HK\$)
Pleasure Fishing	11	10	11,500
Illegal Anchoring	-	1	500
Collection of marine lives	1	-	-
Total	12	11	12,000

2.2 A meeting with Shenzhen Branch of China Fisheries Law Enforcement and Marine Surveillance Agency was held at Yantian of China on 14 March 2013. In the meeting, both sides discussed and agreed to strengthen communication and cooperation in combating cross-boundary illegal fishing activities. Both sides also agreed to enhance cooperation and experience sharing on management and enforcement of marine protected areas, conservation, education and publicity work.

### 3. <u>LITTER COLLECTION</u>

During the report period, the amount of litter collected in marine parks and marine reserve is as follows:

Marine Park / Marine Reserve		tonnage - 31.3.2013)	
Hoi Ha Wan	20.47	(20.70)	
Yan Chau Tong	17.71	(19.76)	
Sha Chau & Lung Kwu Chau	26.39	(25.04)	
Tung Ping Chau	47.09	(47.95)	
Cape D'Aguilar	2.62	(1.78)	
Total	114.28	(115.23)	

() denotes figures of same period last year

### 4. <u>FISHING PERMITS</u>

Number of fishing permits renewed during the report period:

Marine Park	Nos. of renewal	Total nos. of valid permits (as at 31.3.2013)	
Hoi Ha Wan (HHW)	1	9	
Yan Chau Tong (YCT)	1 `	. 22	
HHW & YCT	3	65	
Sha Chau & Lung Kwu Chau	9	82	
Tung Ping Chau (TPC)	3	38	
TPC & HHW	1	5	
TPC & YCT	0	4	
TPC & HHW & YCT	2	178	
Total	20	403	

Starting from 1 May 2005, the validity period of renewed fishing permit is 2 years.

# 5. <u>MONITORING</u>

### 5.1 <u>Water Quality Monitoring</u>

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology was commissioned to carry out water quality monitoring in marine parks and marine reserve in 2012-13. The results are generally good and in compliance with the Water Quality Objectives. A summary result of water quality statistics of 2007 – September 2012 has been uploaded onto the AFCD's homepage (http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/country/cou\_vis/cou\_vis\_mar/cou\_vis\_mar\_mon/cou\_vis\_mar\_mon\_wat.html\_).

#### 5.2 <u>Fishing Survey</u>

5.2.1 Fishing survey at Cape D' Aguilar Marine Reserve continued. The objective is to investigate the long-term enhancement effect of the marine reserve on fisheries resources. The recent result showed that the Catch-per-unit-effort and the diversity of fish remain stable inside the marine reserve and is higher than surrounding waters.

5.2.2 Quarterly fishing surveys at Hoi Ha Wan, Yan Chau Tong and Tung Ping Chau Marine Parks have been carried out to monitor the fish stocks in the 3 marine parks. The Catch-per-unit-effort and the diversity of fish inside the marine park are general better than outside the marine parks area.

## 5.3 <u>Dolphin Sightings</u>

Off-effort dolphin sighting were conducted during the course of patrol of Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau Marine Park. It was evident that Chinese White Dolphins utilize the marine parks and the waters around as usual.

### 6. <u>EDUCATION AND VISITOR SERVICES</u>

6.1 The number of visitors in marine parks remains generally stable in the report period when compared with the same period in last year. The number of visitors during the report period is as follows:

Marine Park	<u>Nos. of Visitors</u> (1.12.2012 – 31.3.2013)		
Hoi Ha Wan	22,279	(19,534)	
Yan Chau Tong	10,543	(9,857)	
Sha Chau & Lung Kwu Chau	2,021	(2,645)	
Tung Ping Chau	20,609	(22,371)	
Total	55,452	(54,407)	

() denotes figures of same period last year

6.2 During the period from 1.12.2012 –31.3.2013, a total of 288 enquiries was received and answered. Details are listed below:

Nature	Nos.	
Park facilities	82	,
Education activities	125	
Renewal for fishing permit	80	
Ordinance and Regulation	1	
Total	288	· ]

6.3 During the report period, a total of 103 educational activities involving 4,551 participants were organized. Details are listed below:

Items	Nos.	Nos. of Ambassador	Nos. of participant
Education Activities			
Hoi Ha Wan Marine Park Ecotour	23	<b></b>	188
School Guided Tour	11	Ĺ.	281
School Seminar	13	F	2,507
Field Study	2	-	55
School Coastal Cleanup Activity	1	-	50
Marine Based Guided Tours – Exploration of fishermen culture and marine resources in Hong Kong	42		1,064
Marine Based Guided Tours – Exploration of fishermen culture and marine resources in Hong Kong – Commercial Tours	6		114
Marine Parks Ambassador Activities			ner and the second
Coastal Cleanup	1	28	2 <b>•</b>
Reef Check Results Announcement	1	2	<del></del>
Marine Parks Ambassador Scheme – Basic Training	1	-	39
Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Marine Life Drawing Competition 2012 Prize Presenting Ceremony	1	4	-
Mobile Exhibition	1	6	253
Total	103	40	4;551

6.4 During the report period, a total of 3,811 educational and publicity materials were distributed to the public. Details are listed below:

Items	Nos.
Leaflets	740
Bookmarks	2,690
DVD	9
Field Guide	. 55
Others	317
Total	3,811

6.5 Marine Parks Division has launched "Marine Based Guided Tours – Exploration of fishermen culture and marine resources in Hong Kong" for all secondary schools starting from October 2010. During the report period, 42 tours were held with 1,064 participants.

6.6 During the report period, Marine Parks Ambassador participated in the following volunteer services: Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau Marine Park Coastal Cleanup, Mobile Exhibition, Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Marine Life Drawing Competition 2012 Prize Presenting Ceremony, and Reef Check Results Announcement. A total of 40 ambassadors joined the above activities.

6.7 Marine Parks Division participated in the "Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Marine Life Drawing Competition 2012" Prize Presentation Ceremony game booth which was held at the Shek Pai Wan Park in Macao on 2 February 2013. The activity was co-organised by AFCD, Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Macao Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau and Administration of Ocean and Fisheries of Guangdong Province. With the assistance of 4 Marine Parks Ambassadors, the Marine Parks Division set up a game booth to promote the Conservation work of Chinese White Dolphins in Hong Kong to the Macao residents and visitors.

6.8 To provide more chances for secondary school students to learn more about the background of Marine Parks, the Marine Parks Division co-organized a Coastal Cleanup activity with 2 secondary schools on 28 March 2013. The activity was held at the Yan Chau Tong Marine Park, with 50 secondary school students participated. Apart from the coastal cleanup activity, the Marine Parks staff also introduced the ecology in Yan Chau Tong Marine Park to the participants.

6.9 Up to 31 March 2013, a total of 94 Marine Parks Ambassadors had completed 20 hours services; 34 Ambassador had completed 40 hours services; 21 Ambassadors had completed 70 hours services; 13 Ambassadors had completed 100 hours services, 9 Ambassadors had completed 150 hours services and 3 Ambassadors completed 200 hours service. They were awarded with the "Jellyfish Service Badge", "Nautilus Service Badge", "Fiddler Crab Service Badge", "Starfish Service Badge", "Humphead Wrasse Service Badge"and "Chinese White Dolphin Service Badge" respectively. Until the end of March 2013, the accumulated service hours of marine parks ambassadors are 6,805 hours.

# C. <u>Performance Pledges</u>

# I. <u>Performance Results – October to December 2012</u>

Item	Service/Application	Target turn around time	No. of Applications	No. of Applications Meeting Targets	% of Applications Meeting Targets
	<u>Conservation</u>				
1	Plant Collection Permit	3 working days	1	1	100%
2	Mai Po Marshes Entry Permit	3 working days	300	300	100%
		Sub-total	301	301	100%
	<u>Country and Marine Parks</u>				
3	Pak Tam Chung Barrier Permit	2 working days	333	333	100%
4	Location Filming Permit	3 working days	81	81	100%
5	Organized Event Permit in Country Parks	3 working days	76	76	100%
6	Permit to hold Sports Competition in Marine Parks	4 working days	0	0	N/A
7	Permit to hold Public Event in Marine Parks	4 working days	0	0	N/A
		Sub-total	490	490	100%
		Total	791	791	100%

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# II. <u>Performance Results - January to March 2013</u>

Item	Service/Application	Target turn around time	No. of Applications	No. of Applications Meeting Targets	% of Applications Meeting Targets
	<b>Conservation</b>				
1	Plant Collection Permit	3 working days	2	2	100%
2	Mai Po Marshes Entry Permit	3 working days	440	440	100%
		Sub-total	442	442	100%
	<u>Country and Marine Parks</u>				
3	Pak Tam Chung Barrier Permit	2 working days	383	383	100%
4	Location Filming Permit	3 working days	88	88	100%
5	Organized Event Permit in Country Parks	3 working days	52	52	100%
6	Permit to hold Sports Competition in Marine Parks	4 working days	0	0	N/A
7	Permit to hold Public Event in Marine Parks	4 working days	0	0	N/A
		Sub-total	523	523	100%
		Total	965	965	100%

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