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National Ecology Day x Green Hong Kong Green New Arrivals Embark on a Nighttime Nature Quest

To mark National Ecology Day 2025, Green Hong Kong Green (GHKG) programme has once again organised its summer-exclusive Night Safari, inviting members of the public to explore the nocturnal wonders at Tai Tam Country Park and Lamma Island.

To further support newly arrived families in learning about Hong Kong's biodiversity and fostering community harmony, HK Electric partnered with the New Home Association to arrange a special tour for nearly 20 new arrivals. Participants ventured into Tai Tam Country Park, where they were treated to a unique "ecological symphony" led by native frogs and other nocturnal wildlife.

Without pop singers or instrumental accompaniment, this unique summer symphony was orchestrated solely by nature in full voice. As night fell, the park came alive with rhythmic croaking frogs, chirping insects, and calling birds, blending into a refreshing and melodious soundtrack of nature.

Mr. Kwok, a member of the New Home Association, shared his experience, "It was my first time visiting a country park at night, and I was amazed by how vibrant and fascinating the nocturnal ecosystem is. The kids were thrilled, especially when guided to observe amphibians and insects. It was truly unforgettable for all of us."

Eastern District Council Member Ng Ching-ching, who accompanied the tour, remarked, "The activity not only allowed newly arrived families in Hong Kong to experience the city's natural beauty firsthand, but also helped them discover the often-overlooked ecological aspects of everyday life. Such initiatives play a vital role in supporting these families as they integrate into the local community, encouraging active participation in neighbourhood affairs and fostering social inclusion."

GHKG eco-leader Linda Chan highlighted that those participants had the chance to spot several rare species along the way, including the Short-legged Toad, Hong Kong Cascade Frog, the Hong Kong Newt — the city's only tailed amphibian, and the Romer's Tree Frog — a species unique to Hong Kong. She pointed out that the tour was full of surprises and rich in environmental educational value.

Since 2023, 15 August has been officially designated as National Ecology Day. This year's theme, "Lucid Waters and Lush Mountains are Invaluable Assets," underscores the vital link between ecological conservation and sustainable development. It echoes GHKG's mission to promote environmental education and inspire harmony and co-existence of humanity and nature.

Founded in 2010, the New Home Association is committed to providing a comprehensive range of support services for new arrivals from the Mainland, ethnic minorities, and the disadvantaged in Hong Kong. Through its one-stop social services, it helps these communities adapt to local life and actively engage in community affairs, fostering social inclusion.

Jointly organised by HK Electric and The Conservancy Association (CA), the GHKG programme has been in active operation since 2005. For more details, please visit the GHKG Facebook page, HK Electric's YouTube channel or website, or the CA website.

Photo Captions:



Guided by the eco-leaders from the “Green Hong Kong Green” programme, participants discover the nighttime wonders at Tai Tam Country Park.



Eastern District Council member Ng Ching-ching (front row, 2nd from left) and HK Electric's General Manager (Public Affairs) John Liauw (back row, 1st from left) joined the night tour, promoting environmental awareness through firsthand exploration of local nocturnal wildlife.



Participants have the opportunity to “snap” with Hong Kong Warty Newt — the city’s only native tailed amphibian, officially named after Hong Kong in 1962.



Eco-leaders led participants in identifying local frog species by listening to their calls, including the endemic Romer's Tree Frog (top) and the vibrant green-spined Big Green Frog (bottom).

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