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## **CLP Launches Young Power Programme 2010**

### **Nurturing Low Carbon Future Leaders across the Asia-Pacific Region**

With the support of over 250 local secondary school students, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) and Junior Achievement Hong Kong (JA) launched the youth leadership development programme CLP Young Power Programme 2010 (CLP YPP) today in an energetic and educational ceremony.

The programme this year will highlight the importance of collective efforts among the young generation to lead a low carbon life. Themed "Towards a Low Carbon Future", the programme will invite senior secondary school students from Hong Kong, the Chinese mainland and India to submit creative project proposals on ways to engage the public on adopting a low-carbon lifestyle.

Mr Paul Poon, Chief Operating Officer of CLP Power Hong Kong, said, "CLP is pleased to offer a unique opportunity to our younger generation through CLP YPP year after year. Entering its twelfth year, over the summer, participating students will have the opportunity to gain insights into the power industry and how they can contribute to a better and sustainable future through mentorship and leadership-training activities."

Ms Vivian Lau, Chief Executive Officer of Junior Achievement Hong Kong remarked, "Junior Achievement Hong Kong is glad to once again have the opportunity to partner with CLP in providing green leadership training focused on developing students to become future leaders and responsible custodians of the planet."

Also at the kick-off ceremony were Mr Sandeep Sharma and Ms Priscilla Chan, two young engineers participated in "CLP Project COOL – Antarctic Expedition" earlier this year. They shared with the students their first-hand experience of setting up renewable energy devices to power the education facility under extreme weather conditions in Antarctica and the impact of climate change.

Under the guidance of CLP volunteer mentors, shortlisted teams in Hong Kong, Guangxi, the Chinese mainland and Gujarat, India will enter a four-week activity-based thematic learning programme with an array of activities such as workshops, visitations and job shadowing. These activities are designed to help the students develop and strengthen their leadership skills, career aspirations, creativity, teamwork,

business acumen, sense of social responsibility, and knowledge in the power industry, engineering profession and environmental issues.

Shortlisted teams will have to implement their proposal on ways to engage the public to a low carbon lifestyle and compete in a contest toward the end of the four-week learning programme. The champions from three locations will come together in Hong Kong and participate in a 10-day exchange programme to be held in Hong Kong and the Chinese mainland, where they will have a chance to visit CLP's renewable energy facilities in the Chinese mainland.

To find out more about the CLP YPP programme this year, please visit [www.clpyoungpower.com](http://www.clpyoungpower.com).

#### **About CLP Young Power Programme (YPP)**

CLP has been organising the YPP every summer since 1999. In 2009, the programme was extended from its Hong Kong base to India and the Chinese mainland to nurture local young leaders. The leadership development programme provides a unique exposure for high school students to gain hands-on experience in the power industry and to understand the importance of sustainable development.

#### **About CLP**

CLP Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, is the holding company for the CLP Group, which is one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia. Through CLP Power Hong Kong, it operates a vertically integrated electricity supply business in Hong Kong, and provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to 5.7 million people in its supply area.

Outside Hong Kong, CLP also invests in energy businesses in mainland China, Australia, India and Southeast Asia. It is the largest external investor in the Chinese mainland electricity industry, and a leading international private sector power company in the Asia-Pacific region with a diversified portfolio of power generation from gas, coal, renewables and nuclear.

#### **About Junior Achievement Hong Kong (JA)**

JA is a registered charitable organisation which is dedicated to inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in a global economy. In partnership with the business and education communities, JA encourages young people to participate in a range of activity-based education programmes, designed to help them understand the world of work and develop their work readiness, entrepreneurship, financial literacy and life-wide values essential for their future success.

Since its establishment in 2001, JA has engaged the support of over 7,600 business volunteers to serve over 100,000 students. The Junior Achievement worldwide network now serves over 9.7 million students a year in over 120 countries. Please visit [www.jahk.org](http://www.jahk.org) for more information.



(From left to right) Miss Priscilla Chang and Mr Sandeep Sharma, CLP COOL Captains; Ms Vivian Lau, Chief Executive Officer – Junior Achievement Hong Kong; Mr Paul Poon, Chief Operating Officer – CLP Power Hong Kong; Ms Jane Lau, Director – Group Public Affairs, CLP Holdings and Mr Yeung Yik Sing, YPP mentor in 2009, together with over 250 students from local secondary schools, at the kick-off ceremony of YPP 2010 in Hong Kong.



(From right to left) Mr Sandeep Sharma, CLP COOL Captain; Ms Jane Lau, Director – Group Public Affairs, CLP Holdings; Mr Paul Poon, Chief Operating Officer – CLP Power Hong Kong; Ms Vivian Lau, Chief Executive Officer – Junior Achievement Hong Kong highlight the key features of YPP 2010 at the ceremony. Representatives of YPP Hong Kong winning team 2009 also shared their secret of success.



Two COOL Captains, Mr Sandeep Sharma (right) and Miss Priscilla Chang (left), share their first-hand experience of climate change in Antarctica and the importance of low carbon life with over 250 students.

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