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CLP Young Power Programme Nurtures Future Energy Leaders

With its longstanding commitment to supporting youth education and development, CLP Holdings Limited (CLP) reactivated its Young Power Programme (YPP) this summer to promote understanding of energy and environmental issues among secondary youth in Hong Kong and Nanning, Guangxi. The winning team of a project competition that had concluded the Nanning chapter on 11 July joined a finale for the Hong Kong chapter today to share their counterparts' learning results.

“It is great to see first hand the results of our Young Power Programme. We have nurtured a group of enthusiastic youth who appreciate the energy challenges and are inspired to make a difference starting from their homes and schools. This is very much in line with our commitment to educate young people on energy efficiency and conservation,” remarked Ms Quince Chong, Chief Corporate Development Officer of CLP Power Hong Kong Limited, at the finale.

In late July, 80 students from 20 secondary schools in Hong Kong were taken on a four-day learning tour covering visits to CLP's power generation facilities, energy efficiency and smart grid centres as well as electricity control rooms. The students also had chance to attend seminars conducted by energy experts and scholars on the principium behind electricity supply, the importance of energy conservation and how the use of different energy sources will impact the society today and in the future.

Mr SH Chan, JP, Managing Director – China of CLP Holdings Limited, said, “We are pleased that this year's programme also benefited students in Guangxi, where one of our most significant investments in Mainland China is located. The winning students from Hong Kong and Nanning will be engaged in a series of exchange activities starting today. I hope they will take chance to share with each other their aspirations for the sustainable development of the two locations.”

To reinforce learning experiences, students of the Hong Kong chapter were divided into groups to develop projects on three topics - designing a school-based energy efficiency and conservation programme, explaining nuclear power generation in a creative way and proposing a suitable fuel mix for Hong Kong.

The judges, deeply impressed with the students' potential to become future energy leaders, chose a champion and two merit awards from the outstanding presentations. Students of the champion team will join the winning team from Nanning for a development and leadership training programme in Hong Kong.

Awardees:

<p>Champion</p>	 A group of about ten young people, mostly in blue polo shirts, are posing for a photo. In the foreground, a woman in a red shirt is holding a large award plaque that says "CHAMPION". The background features a banner with the Chinese text "新力量-能源通識大" and "Young Power Programme". There are colorful balloons (pink, red, blue) hanging from the ceiling.
<p>Merit award</p>	 A group of young people are smiling and holding several "MERIT AWARD" plaques. One person in the foreground is holding a large green cardboard box with the word "PUSH" and a person icon on it. The background banner is similar to the first photo, with the text "力量-能源通識大" and "Young Power Programme".
<p>Merit award</p>	 A group of young people are posing inside a black photo booth frame. One person in the foreground is wearing a white lab coat with "IQ博士" written on it. They are holding a "MERIT AWARD" plaque. The background banner is partially visible, showing "Young Power Programme".

Photo captions

Photo 1:



Students from the Nanning Chapter of Young Power Programme share their learnings at the Hong Kong finale.

Photo 2 :



Students who have completed Young Power Programme make a commitment to promote energy and environmental knowledge. At the finale event, students take a photo with officiating guests Principal Assistant Secretary for the Environment (Electricity Reviews) Mr Donald Ng (left sixth of front row), CLP Holdings Limited Managing Director - China Mr Chan Siu-hung, JP (left fifth of front row), and CLP Power Hong Kong Limited Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (left seventh of front row); judges CEO of World Green Organisation Dr William Yu (left eighth of front row) and Founder of the China Polar Museum Foundation Dr Rebecca Lee (left fourth of front row).

Photo 3:



Through visit to CLP Eco Home, CLP Young Power Programme students get to know more about latest technologies of energy efficiency and their application to daily life.

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About CLP Young Power Programme

YPP was launched in 1999 with an aim to promote environmental awareness and a sense of social responsibility among Hong Kong's young generation. YPP provides learning experience outside traditional classroom, and offers a platform for the youngsters to develop their career aspirations, creativity, teamwork, leadership skills, and sense of social responsibility and sustainable development.

In 2009, YPP was taken forward to Asia Pacific Region to reach out more youngsters in Hong Kong, India and the Mainland China.

In 2014, YPP was reactivated in Hong Kong and Nanning, inviting 126 high school students from the two cities to participate in a series of thematic learning activities to enhance their energy literacy and interest in environmental issues, and inspire a multi-angle analysis on the energy issues.

About the CLP Group

CLP Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, is the holding company for the CLP Group, one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia Pacific. Through CLP Power Hong Kong Limited, it operates a vertically-integrated electricity supply business providing a highly-reliable supply of electricity to 80% of Hong Kong's population.

Outside Hong Kong, CLP holds investment in the energy sector in Mainland China, India, Southeast Asia and Taiwan, as well as Australia. Its diversified portfolio of generating assets uses a wide range of fuels including coal, gas, nuclear and renewable sources. CLP is one of the largest external investors in the Mainland's renewable energy sector. In India, it is the largest foreign investor in the power sector and the biggest independent power producer in wind energy, foreign or domestic. In Australia, its wholly-owned subsidiary EnergyAustralia is one of the largest integrated energy companies, providing gas and electricity to 2.7 million customers.

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