

Major Policies on Various Areas

Administration and Justice

In 2024, the Administration and Justice domain will move forward in accordance with the governance principles of the Chief Executive, and expedite the implementation of various initiatives.

Public administration

- Optimise the governance of department heads and supervisors, enhance accountability, and improve the allocation of remits among government departments;
- Expand e-services for the convenience of the public and businesses, by launching a digital commercial service platform, and reforming the one-stop licensing system for food and beverage establishments;
- Fully support the work of the Electoral Affairs Commission for the Chief Executive Election, to ensure a fair, just and corruption-free sixth-term Chief Executive election; and
- Improve cultivation of civil servants, to strengthen their service consciousness.

Legal affairs

- Strictly implement annual legislative plans and initiatives to strengthen the rule of law;
- Streamline the registration processes and notarisation procedures for civil, commercial and property registrations, by utilising legislative measures, restructuring registration and notarisation information systems, enhancing data sharing between public departments, and further adopting e-services;
- Facilitate the establishment of the legal system for the Guangdong-Macao Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin, to strengthen regional legal cooperation, and comply with international treaties; and
- Revamp the Commemorative Gallery of the Macao Basic Law, and strengthen education and publicity on the Constitution of the People's Republic of China and the Basic Law of Macao.

Municipal services

- Commence construction of Baia do Norte Pumping Station and the box culvert in Fai Chi Kei, and work on upgrading the Taipa old town drainage system, to enhance the capacity of the drainage network;
- Proceed with the construction of phase two of the green promenade along the south shores of the Macao peninsula and the Hac Sa Youth Activity Experimental Camp, to provide more quality leisure areas;
- Strengthen regional cooperation, and improve inspection and quarantine of imported foodstuffs, and hygiene control;
- Revise the legal system on hawker management, implement renovation work for Almirante Lacerda Market, and promote innovative operations of Taipa Municipal Market, to optimise wet market management; and
- Expand community greenery and preserve old trees, to promote public awareness of environmental conservation.



The construction of phase 1 of the box culvert at Comandante Joao Belo and the waterfront leisure area commenced in May 2023. This is a computer rendered image of the project.

Economy and Finance

The key areas of work in the economy and finance domain aim to maintain the upturn in the economy; drive the economy to a full recovery; safeguard employment; stimulate demand for hires; and improve people's livelihoods. The Government will do its utmost to address the imperative tasks for appropriate economic diversification and reinforce the synergies between the industries of Macao and Hengqin, to proactively integrate into the overall national development plan, and maximise the role of Macao as an economic and trading service platform between China and Portuguese-speaking countries.

Step up efforts to maintain the favourable economic momentum

- Secure investment in infrastructure, to stimulate domestic demand;
- Extend measures to benefit the public and businesses, and support quality development of SMEs;
- Develop joint-route tourism products, to tap into international tourist sources;
- Establish a healthy consumer environment, to protect people's livelihoods and safeguard consumer rights; and
- Continue safeguarding employment, and optimise protection of labour rights.

Expedite the establishment of an appropriately diversified economic system

- Invigorate the "six areas" to develop non-gaming elements;
- Accelerate the development of Chinese medicine and the "Big Health Industry";
- Maintain the modern financial services industry's contribution of over 10 percent to the gross domestic product (GDP);
- Facilitate the transformation of technological innovations and research achievements, and promote the development of new hi-tech industries along with traditional industry transformation and upgrading; and
- Establish a new convention and exhibition platform in Macao and Hengqin, to continue fostering exhibition and convention, and commercial and trade industries.

Facilitate the development of the Guangdong-Macao Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin

- Promote bridging of policies for Macao and Hengqin, to facilitate the smooth flows of cross-boundary elements;
- Establish an industrial development system for Macao and Hengqin, to promote joint development of Macao and Hengqin industries; and
- Continue promoting multi-faceted cooperation between Macao and Hengqin, and support Macao residents with working and setting up businesses in Hengqin.



Facilitating overall recovery of the economy.

Proactively integrate into the overall national development

- Support the organisation of the Sixth Ministerial Meeting of the Forum for Economic and Trade Co-operation between China and Portuguese-speaking Countries, to promote technological, economic, trade cooperation and exchanges between China and Portuguese-speaking countries;
- Enhance Macao's participation in the development of the Belt and Road initiative through conventions and exhibitions and tax cooperation; and
- Actively participate in the development of the Greater Bay Area, and strengthen cooperation in tourism promotion and consumer rights protection.

Public Security

The public security authorities will do their utmost to safeguard security and law enforcement for major events, such as the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Macao SAR and the sixth-term Chief Executive election. In addition, the public security authorities will actively promote a new round of legislation to support national security, be persistence with bottom-line thinking; strengthen risk awareness; and unceasingly enhance the scientific decision-making and proactive deployment of police work, to prevent any threats endangering national security and stability of Macao, and safeguard the quality development of the country and Macao.

National security

- Adhere to the principles of national security and press ahead with the development of the rule of law regarding national security; and
- Prevent and resolve national security risks, and systematically roll out national security education.

Proactive law enforcement

- Formulate proactive law enforcement, and strengthen police collaboration in the Greater Bay Area; and
- Implement the Law of Control of Hazardous Substances, to ensure fire safety in the community.



School students visit the "National Security Exhibition".

Modern civil protection

- Continue improving civil protection, and encourage multi-sector participation in the community; and
- Step up civil protection publicity and drills, to enhance civil protection and rescue capabilities.

Flexible police force management

- Strictly supervise police discipline, and flexibly administer the police with compassionate care; and
- Promote team-building and the educational attainment of the police force.

Strengthening the police force through technology

- Proactively enhance smart policing, and promote the further construction of the "Sky Eye" CCTV system; and
- Optimise cyber security, and upgrade the technological facilities of Macao Customs.

Police-public collaboration

- Strengthen community liaison mechanisms, and promote online and offline coordination between the police and the public; and
- Conduct wide-ranging crime prevention campaigns, and foster constructive interactions between the police and the media.

Convenient border crossing

- Enhance border-crossing efficiency between Macao and Hengqin, to facilitate flows of passengers and goods in the Greater Bay Area; and
- Strengthen cooperation on port security, and introduce security measures that are more convenient for the public.

Correctional and rehabilitation services

- Improve prison management, and encourage community care and support for social rehabilitation; and
- Facilitate the completion of the prison project and the commencement of prison relocation.

Financial law enforcement

- Perfect the departmental coordination mechanism to efficiently prevent and combat financial crimes.

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Social Affairs and Culture

In accordance with the objectives of the Second Five-Year Plan and the planning for the development of appropriate economic diversification, the Government will strive to improve services related to people's wellbeing; nurture and import talented people; and promote the development of activities relating to social and cultural affairs, thereby contributing to industrial diversification. We shall commence operation of livelihood facilities for the Macao New Neighbourhood residential project and expand external cooperation and exchanges.

Continuing to improve services related to people's livelihoods and seeking better development opportunities for residents

- Optimise community and specialised medical services, and strengthen the public health emergency response management mechanism. The Macao Union Hospital will become operational in phases;
- Enhance mental and psychological health services, implement a mechanism to prevent, identify and support high-risk groups, and strengthen work on promoting community health;
- Expand the age range for eligibility for the denture scheme for the elderly to 65 years old or above, and vet applications for senior apartment units managed by the Government;
- Establish an integrated service centre for people with disabilities, and increase the number of places for rehabilitation services;
- Optimise the digitalisation of healthcare, social security, education, cultural and sports services;
- Expand the coverage of smart teaching, enhance the establishment of a Portuguese-teaching school that provides kindergarten, primary and secondary education, and complete the publication of a full set of supplementary teaching materials for National Security Education; and
- Commence operation of the Bairro da Ilha Verde Library, and expedite construction of the new Central Library.



Promoting healthy family education and supporting the building of harmonious family lives.

Deploying various social and cultural initiatives to meet the needs of diversified development

- Establish the Macao Centre for Testing Chinese Medicine, formulate the regulations and monitoring system for medicines and medical devices, and create new licence categories for medical institutions;
- Promote industrial, academic and research work in Chinese medicine and high technology, and facilitate transfers of scientific research results;
- Promote the revitalisation of historical sites and complete the fourth batch of immobile heritage assessments;
- Carry out preparation work for the National Games, and promote synergies between the cultural, educational and sports industries; and
- Nurture talents required by industries, and implement the system for import of talented people.

Integrating with national and regional development and deepening external exchanges

- Commence education, healthcare, elderly care and other support services for people's livelihoods in the Macao New Neighbourhood, to support Macao residents in the Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin; and
- Develop external exchanges and cooperation in Portuguese language education, medicine, culture and sports.

Transport and Public Works

To align with the Second Five-Year Plan, policy implementation regarding transport and public works will be guided by the principle of serving the public's needs. The Government will implement the various tasks in an orderly manner and continue to devote its greatest efforts to public housing, transport, environmental protection, urban planning, urban renewal and public infrastructure.

Urban planning

- Press ahead with detailed planning for various zones in Macao, and commence the second stage of drafting plans for Outer Harbour District-1, Outer Harbour District-2 and Northern District-1; and
- Press ahead with compiling the first stage draft of the detailed plan for Taipa Central District-2.

Public work investment

- Complete construction of the fourth Macao-Taipa cross-harbour bridge and the bridge connecting Zone A and the Macao peninsula (A2);
- Proceed with construction of the LRT East Line;
- Proceed with construction of the rainwater pumping station and sewers in the southern Inner Harbour; and
- Commence construction of the vehicle flyovers in Zones A and B, and the bridge connecting Zone A and the Macao peninsula (A3).



The fourth Macao-Taipa cross-harbour bridge.

Environmental protection

- Prohibit the import of disposable Styrofoam food trays and non-degradable disposable plastic cups and plates;
- Complete the expansion of the Macao Central Incineration Centre;
- Facilitate the construction of the recycling centre for organic resources, facilities for treatment of reclaimed water and the Sewage Treatment Plant on the Artificial Island; and
- Encourage vehicle owners to participate in the second phase of the "Subsidy Schemes for Replacing Old and Dilapidated Motorcycles with New Electric Motorcycles, and Phasing Out Dilapidated Diesel Vehicles".

Housing

- Complete construction of the superstructure of the Venceslau de Morais public housing project and the Home-Ownership Scheme Housing in Lots B4, B9 and B10 in Zone A;
- Follow up on the drafting of supplementary regulations to align with the enactment of the "Legal System for Housing for the Sandwich Class"; and
- Proceed with compiling plans for building sandwich class housing in Wai Long Avenue Lot.

Transport

- Complete the amendments to the Road Traffic Law and its supplementary regulations;
- Extend the service of LRT Taipa Line to the Macao peninsula, and commence the operation of Seac Pai Van Line and Hengqin Line; and
- Improve the construction of the walking route network, to encourage green commuting.

Public utilities management

- Ensure coordination between public service operators, to expand smart operations;
- Complete the second phase of increasing the capacity of Ka Ho Reservoir; and
- Complete construction of the cross-harbour natural gas pipeline network, across the fourth Macao-Taipa cross-harbour bridge.

Commission Against Corruption

In 2024, the Commission Against Corruption (CAC) will continue seeking innovative solutions for preventing and combating corruption, and improving the anti-corruption system in step with the latest developments, striving to build a culture of integrity in the new era for Macao.

Implementing planning and strengthening monitoring

- Launch the Corruption-free Management Programme and improve follow-up work on disciplinary proceedings;
- Implement an inspection and monitoring system, and review the procedures for vetting subsidies granted by public departments or autonomous funds;
- Deepen international and regional cooperation and exchanges, to explore feasible directions for agreements on mutual assistance; and
- Make adequate preparations for monitoring elections.

Performing public administration in accordance with the law and embracing the spirit of innovation and succession

- Optimise the case notification function, and continue encouraging the public to responsibly report complaints using real names;
- Supervise in accordance with designated duties, and promote the rule of law in governing and administering in accordance with the law; and
- Uphold the spirit of innovation and succession, continue optimising internal systems and regular supervision mechanisms, and foster the further improvement of governance in departments.

Promoting integrity and anti-corruption, and fostering integrity in all aspects

- Nurture new forces of integrity in Macao, with a focus on young people, and broaden the horizons of young people in the field of integrity, to lead them to develop the values of integrity and anti-corruption;
- Strengthen support for integrity education and launch training programmes on integrity awareness and integrity education for teachers; and
- Launch publicity about the law, targeting the private sector, in accordance with the Second Five-Year Plan; and boost production of multi-media content, etc., as well as advocate integrity in enterprises and organisations through an innovative, collaborative approach.

Regional cooperation in pursuit of corruption-free governance

- Support the country's participation in the review of the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), and fulfil obligations as a member of various international and regional organisations;
- Deepen cooperation with mainland China and Hong Kong, and actively foster and support the formulation of the legal system in the Greater Bay Area; and
- Explore the direction for corruption-free governance under the relevant framework of the Guangdong-Macao Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin.

Commission of Audit

Adhering to the concepts of the Beijing Declaration at the Congress of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INCOSAI), the Government will uphold independent and professional core values, and profoundly understand the strategic positioning and direction of audit work, to promote sound governance.

Performing audits in accordance with the law and in a timely manner

- Conduct audit supervision on budget execution and prepare audit reports on the general accounts. Enhance the Auditor Office's role in promoting the related work.

Launching special audits and performance audits

- Launch projects that help the Government to prevent risks and monitor the implementation of policies; and encourage public departments to pay attention to their performances, and optimise the use of public resources through special audits and performance audits.

Building a highly qualified, professional audit team

- Invite experts to provide targeted professional training to audit staff with the solid support of the National Audit Office, to foster professionalism with an insistence on investigating and revealing the truth, and reporting the facts.

Promoting awareness of conserving resources

- Organise seminars or workshops on auditing culture, to deepen the awareness of staff in various departments regarding cooperating with the audit process and valuing public resources.

Assisting residents in reflecting their needs

- Follow up regarding or refer to residents' opinions on the application of public resources and departmental performances in a timely manner, to assist public departments in making improvements and perfecting their services.

Maintaining external communication

- The Commission of Audit (CA) will maintain close contacts with the National Audit Office, the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions, the highest audit authority of the Community of Portuguese Speaking Countries, the Audit Office of Guangdong Province and Nanjing Audit University, and participate in exchanges and seminars held by these organisations, as deemed necessary.

Achieving quality and efficiency

- In 2024, the CA will strike a balance between quality and efficiency, striving to eliminate oversight blind spots and loopholes, and will continuously enhance the in-depth audit work on key areas, sectors, units and personnel.