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On 15 and 22 October 2014, Mr TSUI Kit-chi, Assistant Director of the Hong Kong Observatory and Mr MA Wai-man, Senior Scientific Officer,visited respectively the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant and the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Plant in Nigata Prefecture in Japan to learn about recent developments since the Fukushima nuclear accident in 2011.

Between November and December 2014, the Hong Kong Observatory Staff Club organised a "Magic and Balloon Art Workshop". Open to staff and their families, the workshop gave everyone a relaxing break from work.

On 3-5 November 2014, the Hong Kong Observatory hosted the roving seminar of the Typhoon Committee under the joint auspices of the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and the World Meteorological Organization, which this time focused on "Warning Communication" as the theme.

On 26 November 2014, 10 students of the Christian Alliance Cheng Wing Gee College joined the Hong Kong Observatory's "Job Shadowing Programme" to gain an insight into the different jobs and functions at the Observatory. They were highly appreciative of the career development tips they received from their hosts.

On 29 November 2014, the Observatory organised the first Workshop for Ambassadors of Weather Observation, during which participants enhanced their knowledge of cloud types, weather elements, meteorological equipment and how weather reports were compiled.

Staff of the Hong Kong Observatory took part in the Lifeline Express CCB (Asia) Charity Run/Walk 2014 held in Sai Kung in late November 2014.

On 1-5 December 2014, the Hong Kong Observatory organised an international workshop on "Data Assimilation and Mesoscale Ensemble Forecasting" for the Voluntary Cooperation Programme of the World Meteorological Organization.

On 20 December 2014, the Hong Kong Observatory organised a Tree Planting Day, so that staff and their families could play a part in greening the city.

The Hong Kong Observatory organised a Christmas party on 24 December 2014 for staff and their families to celebrate the festive season together.

Outdoor activities are heavily dependent on the weather. On 3 January 2015, the Hong Kong Observatory organised a public talk entitled "Outdoor Activities and Weather", during which Mr Ben OR, Scientific Officer, introduced a variety of weather phenomena that affected outdoor activities and showed participants how to prepare properly for such weather using the information provided by the Observatory online.

For details of the activities, please visit:

http://www.hko.gov.hk/wisnew.htm
http://www.hko.gov.hk/hkonews/indexe.htm