Annex I

The positioning of the five Research and Development (R&D) Centres

The positioning of the five R&D Centres is as follows -

- Automotive Platforms and Application Systems R&D Centre develops technologies that are useful for the automotive industry, such as new energy vehicles, autonomous driving and smart mobility etc., supports smart and green public transportation in Hong Kong having regard to its unique transportation needs and provides technological support in respect of new industrialisation to the automotive and related industries;
- Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute (ASTRI) enhances Hong Kong's competitiveness through conducting applied R&D in six focus areas: smart city, financial technologies, new industrialisation and intelligent manufacturing, digital health, application specific integrated circuits and metaverse. ASTRI also strategically collaborates with the universities in developing technologies meeting industry's needs in these six focus areas;
- Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel focuses on applied R&D in textile and garment by developing novel materials, manufacturing technologies and operation models, thereby enabling textile and fashion industry to provide high-value added production and services, enhancing their competitiveness and achieving sustainable development;
- Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech R&D Centre focuses on development and application of multi-tech in areas such as the flow of goods, people, information and capital to satisfy the applied R&D needs of small and medium enterprises from different industries. It is also positioned as the public research service centre; and
- Nano and Advanced Materials Institute, with expertise on nanotechnologies and advanced materials, supports the industry by leveling up technologies in their respective professions and introducing a new generation of smart products, thereby increasing the overall competitiveness. The relevant industries include construction, healthcare, electronics, energy and environmental protection.