HKUST Staff Donate More Than $500,000 for SARS Relief

Faculty and staff at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) have donated more than $500,000 to the We Care Education Fund, set up by the Permanent Secretary for Education and Manpower, Mrs Fanny Law, and her civil service colleagues to help the children of SARS victims.

The money was raised through the HKUST SARS Relief Campaign initiated by the Department of Mechanical Engineering and supported by the HKUST Staff Association. The campaign received contributions from more than 260 faculty and staff members from different departments within the University.

A cheque for $545,744 was presented to Mrs Law in her office today (19 June) by the President of HKUST, Prof Paul Ching-Wu Chu, Dr Raymond Wong, Chairman of the HKUST Staff Association, and Dr Yang Leng, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering.

Dr Wong said: “The response to the HKUST SARS Relief Campaign has been tremendous. As educational workers, we are very concerned about the welfare and education of children who have lost their loved ones. We hope that our contribution can help in its own small way, and we are grateful to Mrs Law and her civil service colleagues for having set up the We Care Education Fund.”