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High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) Sleeper Trains to Beijing and Shanghai To be Upgraded to Fuxing Train Series New Facilities Enhancing Travelling Experience Departure Times Optimised for More Flexible Trip Planning

MTR Corporation announced today (25 September 2024) that the High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) sleeper train service to Beijing and Shanghai will be upgraded to Fuxing high speed sleeper trains. To meet the travel demand during the National Day holiday, an additional northbound train trip from Hong Kong West Kowloon Station (WEK) to Beijingxi Station¹ using the Fuxing sleeper train will be added on 30 September (next Monday). Extra sleeper train service will also be provided on 1 and 2 October (next Tuesday and Wednesday), with one round trip for WEK – Beijingxi Station and another round trip for WEK – Shanghai Hongqiao Station added each day, with full utilization of Fuxing sleeper trains. Tickets will be available for purchase starting from today (25 September).

The High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) is among the first batch of stations in the nation to introduce the new Fuxing sleeper trains. After the service upgrade, the departure times for sleeper trains to Beijing and Shanghai will be adjusted to later in the evening, allowing passengers to embark on their journeys after work or dinner. This enhancement provides greater flexibility for passengers in trip planning while maintaining the convenience of "departing in the evening and arriving in the morning." The routes for sleeper trains will also be adjusted. The route between WEK and Beijingxi Station will no longer stop at Guangzhou Station but at Guangzhounan Station instead. The route between WEK and Shanghai Hongqiao Station, meanwhile, will have an additional stop at a new destination, Ningbo Station, increasing the total number of direct destinations for the High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) to 80.

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¹ On 30 September, the original overnight sleeper train service to Beijing and Shanghai will continue as usual, with no change to the train schedule or intermediate stops.

The Fuxing sleeper trains can accommodate about 650 passengers, which is more than the sleeper trains currently being used, and feature a number of new and caring facilities. The interior design of the carriages adopts warm wood tones and earth colours, creating a cozy and soothing ambience. The soft sleeper compartments are equipped with four sleeper berths, each with an independent charging outlet. The upper berths area is equipped with a small luggage storage space for placing handbags and other personal items. The train also includes an accessible soft sleeper compartment with two berths and space for placing wheelchair for barrier-free travel. (For more details, please refer to Annex 1).

“The High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) sleeper train service has been popular among passengers since its launch in June this year. MTR Corporation has been in close communication with mainland railway authorities and relevant departments on the mainland and in Hong Kong with the aim to enhancing the service continuously to meet the different needs of passengers. We are grateful for the support from mainland railway authorities and the governments from both sides. We are delighted that passengers of the High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) will soon be able to take the Fuxing sleeper trains and experience the further upgraded cross-boundary service,” said Ms Jeny Yeung, Managing Director – Hong Kong Transport Services of MTR Corporation.

The additional overnight train service (G898) to Beijingxi Station to be provided by Fuxing sleeper train will depart from WEK at 7:26 pm on 30 September, arriving at 6:53 am on the following day. Starting from 1 October, sleeper train services between WEK and Beijingxi Station, as well as Shanghai Hongqiao Station, will be served by the Fuxing sleeper trains. Train schedules and intermediate stations for the new trains have been slightly adjusted with details in Annex 2. Please refer to 12306 website for fares and tickets are available for sale starting today (25 September) through various channels, including the 12306 online ticketing platform and mobile app, station ticket counters and ticketing machines as well as appointed agents.

Since the launch of the High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) in September 2018, passenger volume has steadily increased and surpassed 17 million in the first eight months of this year, representing a 45% year-on-year growth. The High Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) now serves 80 direct destinations as a crucial link strengthening the connectivity between Hong Kong and mainland cities, fully leveraging Hong Kong's advantage in deepening integration with the mainland. It not only facilitates business exchanges but also promotes cross-boundary tourism, cultural, academic and social interactions.

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1. The High-Speed Rail (Hong Kong Section) sleeper train service to Beijing and Shanghai will be upgraded to Fuxing high speed sleeper trains starting from an additional northbound train trip from Hong Kong West Kowloon Station to Beijingxi Station on 30 September 2024. Starting from 1 October, sleeper train services between Hong Kong West Kowloon Station and Beijingxi Station, as well as Shanghai Hongqiao Station, will be provided by the Fuxing sleeper trains.



2. The interior design of the Fuxing sleeper trains features warm wood tones and earth colours, creating a cozy and soothing ambience. All soft sleeper compartments are equipped with four sleeper berths, each with an independent charging outlet.



3. The Fuxing sleeper train includes an accessible soft sleeper compartment with two berths and space for wheelchair for barrier-free travel.



4. Two cars of the Fuxing sleeper train provide premium-class and second-class seating.



Annex 1

Enhanced Facilities and Services of the Fuxing Sleeper Trains

More convenient departure and arrival times	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The departures from Hong Kong West Kowloon Station will be rescheduled to a later time, allowing passengers to embark on their journeys after work or dinner• Trains departing from Beijingxi and Shanghai Hongqiao stations will arrive in Hong Kong earlier the next morning, providing greater flexibility and convenience to cross-boundary travellers
Increased capacity and more options for train compartments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The new train accommodates about 650 passengers, more than the existing sleeper trains• An accessible soft sleeper compartment is added for passengers using wheelchairs• In addition to second-class seats, premium-class seats will be introduced to provide more comfortable travel options
Stylish design with caring facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The interior design of the carriages features warm wood tones and earth colours, creating a cozy and soothing ambience• Each berth in the soft sleeper compartment is equipped with an independent charging outlet• The upper berths area is equipped with a small luggage storage space, perfect for placing handbags and other personal items• Provision of personal items such as toiletry kits and slippers to each passenger• Restrooms for each compartment increased to three, with one to two sinks outside each restroom

Please refer to [Sleeper Train Service Page](#) for more details.

Annex 2

Hong Kong West Kowloon Station to Beijingxi Station /Shanghai Hongqiao Station Fuxing Sleeper Train Service Schedule (On Fridays to Mondays; Additional Services on 30 September², 1 October and 2 October 2024)

Hong Kong West Kowloon Station - Beijingxi Station

(Travelling Time approximately 11 hours 27 minutes, effective from 30 September 2024)

Train	Departure Time	Intermediate Stations/Arrival Time				Arrival Time
	Hong Kong West Kowloon	Shenzhenbei*	Guangzhounan*	Changshanan	Shijiazhuang	Beijingxi
G898	19:26	19:44	20:19	23:08	Next Day 05:20	Next Day 06:53

(Travelling Time approximately 11 hours 32 minutes, effective from 1 October 2024)

Train	Departure Time	Intermediate Stations/Departure Time					Arrival Time
	Beijingxi	Shijiazhuang	Handandong	Zhengzhoudong	Guangzhounan*	Shenzhenbei*	Hong Kong West Kowloon
G897	20:13	21:38	22:23	23:29	Next Day 06:51	Next Day 07:26	Next Day 07:45

* Hong Kong West Kowloon to Guangzhounan (including Shenzhenbei) short distance sections' tickets are not for sale

² On 30 September, the Fuxing sleeper train will only provide one additional northbound trip from Hong Kong West Kowloon Station to Beijingxi Station. The original overnight sleeper train service to Beijing and Shanghai will continue as usual, with no change to the train schedule or intermediate stops.

Hong Kong West Kowloon Station – Shanghai Hongqiao Station

(Travelling Time approximately 10 hours and 55 minutes, effective from 1 October 2024)

Train	Departure Time	Intermediate Stations/Arrival Time					Arrival Time
	Hong Kong West Kowloon	Shenzhenbei*	Chaoshan	Xiamenbei	Ningbo	Hangzhoudong	Shanghai Hongqiao
G900	20:05	20:23	22:10	23:25	Next Day 04:07	Next Day 06:04	Next Day 07:00

(Travelling Time approximately 11 hours 5 minutes, effective from 1 October 2024)

Train	Departure Time	Intermediate Stations/Departure Time			Arrival Time
	Shanghai Hongqiao	Hangzhoudong	Ningpo	Shenzhenbei*	Hong Kong West Kowloon
G899	20:15	21:15	22:15	Next Day 07:00	Next Day 07:20

* Hong Kong West Kowloon to Shenzhenbei short distance sections' tickets are not for sale

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