\$1m to promote human rights

THE Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education has earmarked \$1 million to teach human rights next year.

Committee chairman Dr Daniel Tse said the \$1 million was a donation from the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club.

The Human Rights Education Sub-Committee, set up last May, has given subsidies of \$340,000 from the \$1 million to nine different voluntary agencies to promote human rights education.

He said the rule of law was the bedrock of our way of life, guaranteeing fair and equitable treatment for everyone.

To promote such education, 29 November was designated a "civic education day".

"Apart from much controversy involved in the definition of human rights between different countries like China and the Western countries, we focus on a kind of open-ended education which leaves room for the students to judge," Dr Tse said.