



# News Letter

Taipei Prison, Agency of Corrections

The Ministry of Justice

Issue date: January 25, 2017

Contact person: Liu, Chen-Jung, Deputy Warden

Contact No.: 03-3196198

---

**Premier Lin of Executive Yuan visits Taipei prison on the eve of Chinese New Year to show his special concerns with improving correction treatments. He sends his best regards to the correctional staff and cares about the inmates.**

Accompanied by Minister Chiu, the Ministry of Justice, Premier Lin visits Taipei prison on the Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (the New Year Eve). He shows his special concerns with improving correction treatments and the progress of new building construction. Premier Lin delivers gifts to inmates and supplement money for new-year banquet to the staff of Taipei Prison.

Premier Lin arrives to Taipei prison at 3 p.m. The Director of the Agency of Corrections and the Warden of Taipei Prison present him the new building which is completed and waiting for the inspection.

The new building is a 6-storied structure with B1. Contrary to the previous dull gray impression on a prison, the new building is very graceful and creative in style. The Double Wall is designed to protect the privacy of inmates and reduce the view conflict with civilians. To fulfill the inmate advisory and educational functions, the building has classrooms, group therapy rooms, individual counseling rooms and multi-purposes rooms etc. The building designs take all the ventilation, heat control, lighting and energy saving into account. Currently it is under the follow-ups of interior decoration and security facilities procurements. The building plan to open in September and will be the tallest one inside the guarded area of correction agency in Taiwan.

After the presentation, Premier Lin inspects the inmate's bed rooms for the "one bed one inmate" policy of prison and the simulated layout of worksite operation. The opening of the new building will relieve the over-crowded problems for the prison and meet the human right requirements for the correction agency. He visits the printing, sewing worksite, ceramic art and bakery training classes and

asks the details about inmates training and learning. With limited resources, inmates' creative Chinese New Year decorations and skillful artifacts impress him. He watches the shows of assorted Taiwanese folk songs performed by inmate orchestra in the Grand Hall afterward. On behalf of all the staff of correction agency, Minister Chiu appreciates the special cares from President Tsai and Premier Lin for inmates' over-crowded problems. He will improve the living facilities, solve the accommodation problems and raise the image on correction agency.

In his speech, Premier Lin indicates that the relocation and expansion of prisons have become the key task of revolution on Justice. Hopefully, inmates will have basic living conditions to meet human right requirements with limited space. Especially, he wants to thank all the correctional staff still on duty during the Chinese New Year vacation. Premier Lin offers his best wishes to all the audience, and delivers gifts, the oranges (symbols of good luck), and supplement money for banquet afterward and completes the visit at 4:15 p.m.



Premier Lin inspects the bed rooms of the new building



Premier Lin asks the details about the inmates' learning



Premier Lin cares about the training programs in Taipei prison



Premier Lin encourages the inmates to start their new life