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HK reports sixth case of Wuhan virus

Hong Kong has confirmed a sixth case of the Wuhan coronavirus.

The latest patient is a 47-year-old man who was in Wuhan recently.

The head of the Communicable Disease Branch of the Centre for Health Protection, Dr Chuang Shuk-kwan, said in a press conference on Sunday that the man worked in Wuchang, in Wuhan, for about a week in the middle of this month. He worked as an accountant at a market, but not the same market believed to be the source of the outbreak.

He developed a fever on January 20 while he was in Wuchang, but the fever subsided the next day.

He arrived in Hong Kong on Thursday on board the high-speed express rail from the city of Xianning in Hubei Province, via Shenzhen. The man developed a fever again the next day. He's being treated in isolation at Princess Margaret Hospital.

Health authorities are tracking passengers who sat near him in both of those trains.

Authorities say all six confirmed patients in Hong Kong are in stable condition.

Sources say one more person has now tested positive for the virus. He's said to be the husband of a woman who's one of the six confirmed cases. She was previously treated at Tuen Mun Hospital.

An additional 77 suspected cases of the Wuhan virus have been reported here in Hong Kong. One hundred and seven patients remain in isolation in hospital.

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