

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (91) Lands Department
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Programme: (1) Land Administration
Controlling Officer: Director of Lands (Ms. Bernadette LINN)
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question (Member Question No. 270):

Please provide a breakdown by district (Hong Kong Island / Kowloon / New Territories West (Kwai Tsing, Tsuen Wan, Tuen Mun and Yuen Long) / New Territories East (Sha Tin, Tai Wai, Ma On Shan, Tai Po, Fanling, Sheung Shui and Tseung Kwan O) / Lantau Island / other outlying islands) of (i) the number of applications for rezoning land for Short Term Tenancy use; (ii) the original use of the land and the change applied for; (iii) the area of land involved; and (iv) the rentals in each of the past five years.

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando

Reply:

If there is vacant government land which has not been designated for a specific use or is not required for implementation of the designated use in the near future and is suitable for temporary use, the Lands Department may consider making the land available for temporary use through Short Term Tenancies (STT). Generally such STTs are granted for short initial periods of less than five years, for which no rezoning of the land concerned is required.