

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)341****(Question Serial No. 4426)**

Head: (91) Lands Department

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Controlling Officer: Director of Lands (Ms Bernadette LINN)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Regarding known cases of unlawful occupation of government land, as of now,

- (1) How many hectares of land are involved?
- (2) What is the geographical distribution?
- (3) How many hectares of unlawfully occupied government land are being involved in judicial proceedings?

Asked by: Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit (Member Question No. 90)

Reply:

The number of cases involving unlawful occupation of government land handled by the respective District Lands Offices (DLO) of the Lands Department (Lands D) in 2015 is tabulated below:

DLO	Number of Cases
Hong Kong East	1 562
Hong Kong West & South	561
Kowloon East	1 041
Kowloon West	1 276
Islands	114
North	394
Sai Kung	335
Sha Tin	403
Tuen Mun	308
Tai Po	718
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	587
Yuen Long	1 616
Total	8 915

For confirmed cases of unlawful occupation, Lands D normally issues statutory notices under the Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (Cap.28) asking for rectification by a certain deadline, after which the land would be cleared if it remains unlawfully occupied. Lands D does not have data on the total area of government land involved.

As at 29 February 2016, Lands D is taking prosecution action against 12 cases involving about 9 835 square metres of unlawfully occupied government land.

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