

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)346****(Question Serial No. 5070)**

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Question:

How many cases of unauthorised structures on private agricultural land were handled by the Lands Department in the last three years? How many of these cases involved enforcement actions, structures removed by the owners as required, and structures removed by the Government?

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung (Member Question No. 1028)

Reply:

The relevant statistics regarding lease enforcement actions taken against unauthorised structures on private agricultural land by the Lands Department (Lands D) in the last three calendar years (2014 to 2016) are as follows:

Calendar Year	2014	2015	2016
(a) Number of cases of unauthorised structures on private agricultural land identified ^(Note)	810	686	751
(b) Number of cases with enforcement actions ^(Note) taken during the year (which may take the form of issue of warning letters/statutory notices; registration of warning letters in the Land Registry; re-entry and/or vesting) taken against unauthorised structures on private agricultural land	665	1 021	1 397
(c) Number of cases with unauthorised structures demolished by the owners ^(Note)	125	211	211
(d) Number of cases with unauthorised structures demolished by Lands D ^(Note)	15	4	9

Note: The cases processed in a year may not necessarily correspond to the cases identified in the same year. Each case may involve more than one private lot and/or structure.

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