

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

Please inform this Committee of the following:

1. The projects for which the Lands Resumption Ordinance (the Ordinance) will soon be invoked, together with the areas of land (hectares) and expenditures involved, as well as the purposes of resumption (in table form);
2. The projects for which the Ordinance was invoked, together with the areas of land (hectares) and expenditures involved, as well as the purposes of resumption (in table form), over the past five years.
3. What were the respective numbers of cases in which the Ordinance was invoked since 1997? What were the amounts of payment involved?

Year	Number of cases	Amount of payment
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4. Please set out the existing active and fallow farmland in hectares respectively (in table form).
5. Please set out each of the existing military sites in hectares (in table form).

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (LegCo internal reference no.: 8716)

Reply:

1. Subject to completion of the relevant statutory processes and approval of relevant funding, about 60.546 ha of land are proposed to be resumed in 2019-20 under the Lands Resumption Ordinance (the Ordinance) for implementation of the public works project as tabulated below-

Year	Project	Approximate area to be resumed (ha)	Proposed Land Use	Estimated compensation expenditure involved for the project (\$ million) (about)
2019-20	The Establishment of an Agricultural Park in Kwu Tung South (Phase 1)	6.238	Agricultural Park	405.19
	The First Phase Development of Kwu Tung North NDA and Fanling North NDA	53.219	New Town Development	10,437.6
	Northeast New Territories Landfill Extension	1.089	Landfill Extension	74.75

Note: The year refers to the year in which resumption for the project is expected to take place. The associated clearance may be conducted in stages over a period of years. The estimated compensation expenditure refers to the total estimated compensation expenditure for a project throughout the years of clearance, not the expenditure incurred in one particular year.

2. In the past five years, the Government invoked the Ordinance to resume private land for seven public works projects. The details are tabulated below:

Year	Project	Approximate area of land resumed (ha)	Proposed land Use	Cumulative compensation expenditure arising from the works projects (up to end of February 2019) (\$ million) (about)
2014-15	Public Housing near Po Tong Ha in Area 54, Tuen Mun	2.08	Public housing development	178.75
	Public Housing and Community Facilities near Siu Hang Tsuen in Area 54, Tuen Mun	3.512	Public housing development	315.06

Year	Project	Approximate area of land resumed (ha)	Proposed land Use	Cumulative compensation expenditure arising from the works projects (up to end of February 2019) (\$ million) (about)
2015-16	Public Rental Housing Development at Fo Tan in Area 16 and Area 58D, Sha Tin-Phase 2	0.202	Public housing development	13.79
2016-17	Purpose-Built Complex of Residential Care Homes for the Elderly in Area 29 of Kwu Tung North New Development Area	1.50	Residential care home for the elderly	26.14
2017-18	Development at Wang Chau, Yuen Long	2.37	Public housing development	31.52
2018-19	Construction of Estate Road, Drains and Sewers of the Public Housing Development at Queen's Hill, Fanling	0.03	Public housing development	1.83
	Construction of Two Primary Schools at Queen's Hill, Fanling	0.05	School	-

3. The number of cases involved under the Ordinance for implementation of public works project since 1997 is tabulated below:

Year	Number of cases	Amount of compensation payments (\$ million) (about)
1997-98	9	2,024
1998-99	18	2,552
1999-00	6	2,161
2000-01	10	1,455
2001-02	10	2,479
2002-03	5	992

Year	Number of cases	Amount of compensation payments (\$ million) (about)
2003-04	5	1,370
2004-05	6	474
2005-06	5	354
2006-07	9	227
2007-08	7	372
2008-09	3	926
2009-10	3	394
2010-11	0	1,534
2011-12	0	329
2012-13	2	1,810
2013-14	0	1,657
2014-15	2	598
2015-16	1	657
2016-17	1	563
2017-18	1	441
2018-19 (up to end of February 2019)	2	538

Note : The figure for each year covers compensation payments in respect of resumption projects launched in or before that year.

4. According to information provided by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, there were about 735 hectares (ha) of active farmland and 3 592 ha of abandoned farmland as at end-2018 in Hong Kong.
5. There are 18 military sites currently being used by the Hong Kong Garrison, covering a total area of about 2 700 ha. Their locations are set out in the table below:

<b>Military Sites currently being used by the Hong Kong Garrison</b>	
<b>Hong Kong Island</b>	
1	Central Barracks
2	Chek Chue Barracks
3	Headquarters House
4	Ching Yi To Barracks
5	Western Barracks
<b>Kowloon</b>	
6	Gun Club Hall Barracks
7	Kowloon East Barracks
8	1A, Cornwall Street
9	Ngong Shuen Chau Barracks

<b>Military Sites currently being used by the Hong Kong Garrison</b>	
	<b>New Territories</b>
10	Shek Kong Barracks
11	Shek Kong Village
12	San Tin Barracks
13	Tam Mei Barracks
14	San Wai Barracks
15	San Wai/Tai Ling Firing Range
16	Tsing Shan Firing Range
17	Tai O Barracks
18	Military Transportation Centre, Chep Lap Kok

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