

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (91) Lands Department
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Programme: (1) Land Administration
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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

One of the Department's responsibilities is to administer government leases for ensuring that land is used in compliance with related lease conditions. Please inform this Committee of the following:

- a. What are the locations, site areas and terms of lease of the land currently let under private recreational leases (PRLs)?
- b. How many PRLs were granted by the Department in the past three years? What were the locations, site areas, terms of renewal and values of the land applied for?
- c. How many staff members of the Department are deployed for handling matters concerning PRLs? What is the administrative expenditure involved?
- d. How many inspections of the land granted under PRLs were carried out by the Department in the past three years? How did the Department ensure that the places were open according to lease conditions? Were there any places prosecuted and convicted for breaching lease conditions? Please provide the relevant details.

Asked by: Hon MO Claudia (LegCo internal reference no.: 66)

Reply:

a. As at end-December 2018, there were a total of 66 Private Recreational Leases (PRLs). Of these, 48 PRLs have been renewed since 2011 or 2012, six PRLs (with lease terms having expired) were being held over as a transitional arrangement to cover the period from the lease expiry to the completion of renewal procedures (if so renewed), and the remaining 12 PRLs have not reached their lease expiry dates. Details of these PRLs are listed as follows:

| I. PRL renewed since 2011 or 2012 | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Lease |
| 1 | Po Leung Kuk | Lot 2419 DD 118 Tai Tong, Yuen Long | 129 573 | 5.11.2026 |
| 2 | Hong Kong Softball Association | KIL 11226 Tin Kwong Road | 8 360 | 24.12.2026 |
| 3 | Kowloon Tong Club | NKIL 6528 No. 113A Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong | 8 886 | 24.12.2026 |
| 4 | The Hong Kong Golf Club | RBL 1194 Deep Water Bay | 66 500 | 25.12.2026 |
| 5 | Hong Kong Football Club | IL 9033 No. 3 Sports Road, Happy Valley | 29 537 | 25.12.2026 |
| 6 | South China Athletic Association | IL 9041 No. 88 Caroline Hill Road, So Kon Po | 32 480 | 25.12.2026 |
| 7 | Chinese Recreation Club, Hong Kong | IL 9040 Tung Lo Wan Road | 16 490 | 25.12.2026 |
| 8 | Craigengower Cricket Club | IL 9031 No. 188 Wong Nai Chung Road | 12 203 | 25.12.2026 |
| 9 | Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | IL 9034 No. 141 Wong Nai Chung Gap Road | 4 418 | 25.12.2026 |
| 10 | Jardine's Lookout Residents' Association | IL 9030 No. 2 Creasy Road, Jardine's Lookout | 12 406 | 25.12.2026 |
| 11 | Indian Recreation Club | IL 9039 No. 63 Caroline Hill Road, So Kon Po | 11 855 | 25.12.2026 |
| 12 | The Scout Association of Hong Kong | NKIL 6530 No. 11 Rutland Quadrant | 420 | 25.12.2026 |
| 13 | The Kowloon Tsai Home Owners Association | NKIL 6529 No. 10A Cambridge Road | 5 716 | 25.12.2026 |
| 14 | Kowloon Bowling Green Club | KIL 11217 Austin Road | 7 311 | 25.12.2026 |
| 15 | South China Athletic Association | KIL 11218 Wylie Path | 5 309 | 25.12.2026 |
| 16 | India Club, Kowloon | KIL 11223 Gascoigne Road | 3 656 | 25.12.2026 |

| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Lease |
|-----|--|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 17 | The Filipino Club | KIL 11222 Wylie Road | 2 819 | 25.12.2026 |
| 18 | Municipal Services Staff Recreation Club Limited | KIL 11225 Wylie Path, King's Park | 4 402 | 25.12.2026 |
| 19 | The Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong | KIL 11219 Off Gascoigne Road, King's Park | 4 843 | 25.12.2026 |
| 20 | Hong Kong Chinese Civil Servants' Association | KIL 11224 No. 8 Wylie Road | 3 090 | 25.12.2026 |
| 21 | Kowloon Cricket Club | KIL 11216 Cox's Road | 25 203 | 25.12.2026 |
| 22 | The Pakistan Association of Hong Kong, Limited | KIL 11220 Princess Margaret Road | 2 236 | 25.12.2026 |
| 23 | Yau Yat Chuen Garden City Club Limited | NKIL 6508 No. 7 Cassia Road, Yau Yat Chuen | 5 917 | 25.12.2026 |
| 24 | The Hong Kong Country Club | RBL 1195 No. 188 Wong Chuk Hang Road | 21 090 | 3.4.2027 |
| 25 | Council of the Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps | NKIL 6535 Fung Shing Street, Diamond Hill | 2 462 | 30.6.2027 |
| 26 | Scout Association of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | KCTL 511 No. 308 Wo Yi Hop Road, Kwai Chung | 690 | 30.6.2027 |
| 27 | The Scout Association of Hong Kong and The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | STTL 591 Shui Chuen Au Street, Sha Tin | 9 549 | 30.6.2027 |
| 28 | The Hong Kong Award for Young People (formerly known as The Duke of Edinburgh's Award) | TPTL 220 Hang Ha Po, Tai Po | 7 200 | 30.6.2027 |

| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Lease |
|-----|--|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 29 | Tai Po Sports Association Limited | TPTL 216 On Cheung Road, Tai Po | 3 051 | 30.6.2027 |
| 30 | Scout Association of Hong Kong | Lot 1207 in DD 217 Pak Sha Wan, Sai Kung | 2 405 | 30.6.2027 |
| 31 | The Directors of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong | Lot 195 SD5 Mau Wu Tsai, Hang Hau | 13 300 | 30.6.2027 |
| 32 | The Clearwater Bay Golf and Country Club | Lot 269 in DD 241 Po Toi O, Sai Kung | 1 256 765 | 30.6.2027 |
| 33 | The Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong Limited | Lot 718 in DD 256 Tai Mong Tsai, Sai Kung | 23 800 | 30.6.2027 |
| 34 | The Area Committee of the Hong Kong Sea Cadet Corps | Lot 719 in DD 256 Tsam Chuk Wan, Sai Kung | 1 858 | 30.6.2027 |
| 35 | Po Leung Kuk | Lot 675 in DD 257 Pak Tam Chung, Sai Kung | 48 261 | 30.6.2027 |
| 36 | The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong | Lot 676 in DD 257 Wong Yi Chau, Sai Kung | 9 250 | 30.6.2027 |
| 37 | The Directors of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong | Lot 76 in DD 254 Wong Yi Chau, Sai Kung | 29 400 | 30.6.2027 |
| 38 | Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | Lot 1754 in DD 122 Ping Shan, Yuen Long | 2 076 | 30.6.2027 |
| 39 | The Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong (formerly known as The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Church in Hong Kong) | Lot 1870 in DD Cheung Chau | 6 744 | 30.6.2027 |
| 40 | Hong Kong Playground Association | Lot 739 in DD 2 Mui Wo, Lantau Island | 14 983 | 30.6.2027 |
| 41 | Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association | Lot 752 in DD 332 Cheung Sha, Lantau Island | 10 780 | 30.6.2027 |

| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Lease |
|-----|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 42 | The Hong Kong Buddhist Association | Lot 175 in DD 4 Cheung Tung Road, Tung Chung, Lantau Island | 4 877 | 30.6.2027 |
| 43 | Club De Recreio | KIL 11221 Wylie Road | 23 095 | 25.12.2026 |
| 44 | Hong Kong Gun Club | TWTL 419 Chuen Lung, Tsuen Wan | 64 900 | 30.6.2027 |
| 45 | Hong Kong, China Rowing Association | STTL 573 Yuen Wo Road, Sha Tin | 2 475 | 30.6.2027 |
| 46 | Scout Association of Hong Kong | STTL 592 Kowloon Hills, Sha Tin | 36 191 | 30.6.2027 |
| 47 | Hebe Haven Yacht Club Limited | Lot 1208 DD 217 Pak Sha Wan, Sai Kung | 19 796 | 30.6.2027 |
| 48 | Hong Kong Youth Hostels Association | Lot 240 in DD Ngong Ping, Ngong Ping, Lantau Island | 7 300 | 30.6.2027 |

| II. PRLs that have expired and are being held over | | | | |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Holding-over Letter |
| 49 | Mong Kok District Cultural, Recreational & Sports Association Limited | KIL 11165 J/O Ivy Street & Beech Street | 234 | 9.6.2019 |
| 50 | Victoria Recreation Club | Lot 316 in DD 252 Sai Kung | 14 100 | 31.8.2019 |
| 51 | Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club | Lot 341 and Extension in DD 212 Che Keng Tuk | 11 820 | 8.9.2019 |
| 52 | Scout Association of Hong Kong | IL 8961 Mansion Street, North Point | 471 | 25.9.2019 |
| 53 | Hong Kong Youth Hostels Association | TPTL 133 Tai Mei Tuk | 1 000 | 19.12.2019 |
| 54 | Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | Lot 2544 in DD 92 Hang Tau Road, Kwu Tung South, Sheung Shui | 2 831 | 31.12.2019 |

| III. PRLs that have not expired | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| No. | Name of PRL Holder | Lot No. and Location | Approximate Site Area (square metres) | Expiry Date of Lease |
| 55 | The Hong Kong Golf Club | Lot 942 RP in DD 94 Sheung Shui | 1 706 106 | 31.8.2020 |
| 56 | Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club | RBL 1181 Middle Island | 2 940 | 24.5.2021 |
| 57 | Aberdeen Boat Club Limited | AIL 454 Shum Wan Road, Brick Hill | 2 277 | 25.12.2021 |
| 58 | Hong Kong Cricket Club | IL 9019 No. 137 Wong Nai Chung Gap Road | 18 448 | 30.6.2023 |
| 59 | Scout Association of Hong Kong | Lot 131 in DD 60 Au Tau, Yuen Long | 65 | 18.1.2024 |
| 60 | Hong Kong Model Engineering Club Limited | Lot 2416 in DD 118 Tai Tong, Yuen Long | 34 955 | 3.11.2024 |
| 61 | Scout Association of Hong Kong | TPTL 190 Tung Tsz, Tai Po | 30 200 | 24.6.2025 |
| 62 | Yuen Long District Sports Association Limited | YLTL 520 Yuen Long | 1 163 | 18.10.2031 |
| 63 | Hong Kong Jockey Club | IL 8847 No. 1 Sports Road and Wong Nai Chung Road | 92 000 | 23.6.2034 |
| 64 | Directors of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong | STTL 366 No. 2 On Chun Street, Shatin | 111 690 | 30.6.2047 |
| 65 | Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club | ML 709 Kellett Island | 18 738 | 19.2.2056 |
| 66 | Hong Kong Girl Guides Association | KIL 10734 Junction of Gascoigne Road and Wylie Road | 2 357 | 25.12.2056 |

b. Apart from renewal cases, no new PRL was granted by the Government in the past three years.

c. The land administration work in respect of PRLs is carried out by staff of the Lands Department (LandsD) as part of their overall land administration duties. We are unable to provide a breakdown of the number of staff members and administrative expenditure involved solely for handling PRLs.

d. Regarding the monitoring of PRLs, the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) conducts annual and ad-hoc (e.g. upon receipt of complaints and referrals) inspections of PRL sites to ensure that they are used in accordance with the PRL policy and in compliance with clauses on the user, operations, service-related and opening-up requirements specified in the lease. LandsD carries out site inspections upon receipt of complaints, enquiries, referrals or when processing lease renewal applications. In the past three years (2016 to 2018), LandsD carried out inspections in respect of ten complaints and referrals related to suspected breaches of lease conditions for PRLs.

Since 2013, upon renewal of the PRLs which expired in 2011 and 2012, PRL lessees are required under renewed lease conditions to make available their sports facilities to outside bodies in accordance with the approved enhanced “opening-up” schemes. HAB monitors the implementation and usage of the approved “opening-up” schemes through scrutinising quarterly reports submitted by lessees and conducting annual site inspections on PRLs held by private sports clubs. According to HAB, it made 19 inspections in 2016-17; ten inspections in 2017-18; and 27 inspections from 1 April 2018 up to the end of February 2019.

A PRL is a contract between the grantee and LandsD acting as the Government’s land agent. A breach of lease conditions, if confirmed, will result in lease enforcement action taken by LandsD in its capacity as the landlord. It does not involve prosecution.

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