

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (91) Lands Department
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Question:

The Lands Department (LandsD) will, from time to time, grant government land by way of short-term tenancy or (private) treaty to the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) or other government departments for the purpose of temporary works site or storage to facilitate project implementation. In this regard, will the Government inform this Committee of the following:

- 1) Information on sites returned to LandsD according to the railway works schedule in the past three years, including i) site location/lot no.; ii) area; iii) planned use (if any).
- 2) Information on sites still leased by MTRCL as at March 2019, including i) site location/lot no.; ii) area; iii) expected date of return.
- 3) Information on sites returned to LandsD according to the schedule of other infrastructural projects in the past three years, including i) site location/lot no.; ii) area; iii) planned use (if any).
- 4) Information on sites still occupied by other government departments for the purpose of temporary works site or storage as at March 2019, including i) site location/lot no.; ii) area; iii) expected date of return.

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (LegCo internal reference no.: 86)

Reply:

- 1) Information on the number and area of the short-term tenancy (STT) sites which had been let to MTR Corporation Limited before and were terminated and returned to the Lands Department (LandsD) in the past three years is listed by District Lands Office as follows:

District Lands Office	Number of STTs returned	Area (m ²) (about)
Hong Kong East	1	23
Hong Kong West & South	9	124 055
Kowloon East	1	181
Kowloon West	1	5 570
Islands	0	0
North	0	0
Sai Kung	0	0
Sha Tin	0	0
Tuen Mun	0	0
Tai Po	0	0
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	0	0
Yuen Long	0	0
Total	12	129 829

- 2) Information on the number and area of STTs which were still let to MTR Corporation Limited as at end-February 2019 is set out by District Lands Office in the following table. LandsD does not have readily available information on the expected date of return of these sites.

District	Number of STTs	Area (m ²) (about)
Hong Kong East	1	658
Hong Kong West & South	9	113 566
Kowloon East	1	1 130
Kowloon West	7	177 906
Islands	0	0
North	1	161
Sai Kung	0	0
Sha Tin	2	1 846
Tuen Mun	1	777
Tai Po	0	0
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	1	936
Yuen Long	2	11 100
Total	25	308 080

- 3) LandsD has not compiled any data set on site location, area and planned use on the sites which had previously been allocated for temporary use to facilitate the implementation of other infrastructural projects and were terminated and returned to LandsD in the past three years.

- 4) As at February 2019, there are 2 239 temporary government land allocations (TGLAs) allocated to government departments/bureaux on a temporary basis for uses as works site/works areas or storage, covering an area of about 3 216 hectares (ha) in total. Information on the number and area of the TGLAs by District Lands Office is as follows:

District Lands Office	TGLAs for Use ^{Note} as Works Site / Works Area		TGLAs for Use ^{Note} as Storage	
	Number	Area (ha) (about)	Number	Area (ha) (about)
Hong Kong East	83	125	26	2
Hong Kong West & South	234	56	19	3
Kowloon East	185	213	15	5
Kowloon West	52	36	14	3
Islands	236	948	18	3
North	130	309	4	1
Sai Kung	227	461	11	3
Sha Tin	189	22	7	1
Tuen Mun	134	215	4	2
Tai Po	117	129	10	2
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	177	375	13	5
Yuen Long	126	113	8	2
Allocations for railway development projects	200	182	0	0
Total	2 090	3 184	149	32

Note: As determined based on the projects/proposals of the bureaux and departments concerned.

LandsD does not have readily available information on the expected date of return of the TGLAs.

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