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Head: (91) Lands Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

Programme: (1) Land Administration

Controlling Officer: Director of Lands (Thomas CHAN)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question:

Will the Government inform this Committee of the following:

(1) What were the respective numbers of complaints about the unreasonable use of government land received between June and December in 2019 as well as between June and December in 2018? Among the complaints received between June and December in 2019, what were the complaint figure and the district of the case involving the same location and registering the highest number of complaints? Was the case substantiated and handled?

(2) Among the complaints about the unreasonable use of government land received between June and December in 2019, what were the respective numbers of cases involving Yuen Long district and Tuen Mun district? How many complaints of the same nature were related to Yuen Long district and Tuen Mun district respectively between June and December in 2018?

(3) Among the complaints involving Yuen Long district and Tuen Mun district received between June and December in 2019, what was the number of cases substantiated and handled?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (LegCo internal reference no.: 134)

Reply:

The Lands Department (LandsD) keeps statistics on complaints against unlawful occupation of government land which is enforceable under the Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, but not on complaints about “unreasonable use of government land” which has
no common definition. For reference purpose, the relevant statistics regarding the numbers of complaints received involving unlawful occupation of government land and the numbers of sites successfully cleared from unlawful occupation by LandsD in 2018 and 2019 are as follows:

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<th>Calendar Year</th>
<th>2018</th>
<th>2019</th>
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<tr>
<td>Number of complaints received involving unlawful occupation of government land</td>
<td>10 939</td>
<td>10 557</td>
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<td>Number of sites successfully cleared from unlawful occupation</td>
<td>10 724</td>
<td>9 606</td>
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Note: As the processing of a case may straddle different years, the sites successfully cleared from unlawful occupation may not necessarily correspond to the complaints received in the same year.

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