Annex C

Progress of Indicators for Specified Tasks under DEVB In 2025 Policy Address

(I) New Indicators

Indicator No.	Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
5	Release the Northern Metropolis University Town (NMUT) Development Conceptual Framework within 2026. (CSO, EDB, DEVB)	Over the past year, the Working Group on Planning and Construction of the University Town has been proactively advancing the planning work for the NMUT. As Hong Kong's first Five-Year Plan includes a dedicated chapter on the University Town, the working group has incorporated the development concept of NMUT into Hong Kong's Five-Year Plan. The Five-Year Plan and the Policy Address were published consecutively on the same day in September 2026.
6	Introduce the bill for dedicated legislation to accelerate the Northern Metropolis (NM) development into Legislative Council (LegCo) within 2026. (DEVB)	Task completed. The Northern Metropolis Development Bill was introduced into the LegCo for first and second readings on 8 July 2026. The Government is fully co-operating with the LegCo in the ongoing legislative process.
7	Announce the results of the land use review for Au Tau within 2026. (DEVB)	Task on track. The land use review is expected to be completed by end-2026. The statutory planning and related procedures for recommended land uses of the Au Tau New Development Area (NDA) are targeted to commence in 2027.

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11	Promote AI application in government services and business operations: • Introduce in 2026 guidelines for requiring new public works projects to adopt highly-effective construction robots with functions including automated processes, remote control, AI, etc. in suitable processes. (DEVB)	Task completed. The Development Bureau (DEVB) issued a Technical Circular (Works) in December 2025, requiring new public works projects to adopt highly-effective construction robots in suitable processes.
51	Commence a study on existing industrial stock in 2025, and put forward recommendations within 2026 including the way forward for the Revitalisation Scheme for Industrial Buildings. (DEVB)	Task on track. The DEVB commenced the "Study on Utilisation of Existing Industrial Stock" in 2025, and will put forward recommendations by end-2026 including the way forward for the Revitalisation Scheme for Industrial Buildings.
52	Reduce construction cost: • Implement central procurement strategy in the first half of 2026, piloting in steel reinforcement and Modular Integrated Construction modules;	Task completed. The DEVB has invited the market to submit expressions of interest for the central procurement for steel reinforcement and Modular Integrated Construction modules in April and July 2026 respectively. The tender for central procurement for steel reinforcement was launched in July 2026.
	• Implement from 2026 onwards the project cost management platform to fully digitalise the entire project cost management process; and	Task completed. The DEVB launched the first phase of the project cost management platform in August 2026 to examine major variations of works projects.

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	• Complete within 2026 the first batch of review on standards, including concrete strength and load bearing capacity of foundations. (DEVB)	Task on track. The DEVB has commissioned the Hong Kong Institute of Building Technology to review a number of construction standards and requirements that have been adopted locally for many years and have a significant impact on construction costs. The first batch of review on standards will be completed as scheduled within 2026.
54	Commence within 2025 consultation on specific proposals to make use of land for new developments to promote urban redevelopment. (DEVB)	Task completed. The DEVB conducted consultation to listen to relevant stakeholders' views for about two months since October 2025. The initiatives on cross-district transfer of plot ratio and the provision of bonus plot ratio for specified redevelopment projects in designated areas have been implemented since August 2026. As regards the idea of utilising reserved sites at NDAs for the Urban Renewal Authority to construct new housing units for use as replacement flats under a new "Flat-for-Flat" Scheme to be introduced, details are being worked out for consultation in 2027.

(II) On-going and Valid Indicators for Specified Tasks Introduced in the 2025 Policy Address

Indicator No.	2025 Policy Address Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
43	To promote the development of the construction industry, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) has been utilising government funding and its own resources to increase the training quota for skilled construction workers from 10 000 places in the 2022/23 academic year to at least about 12 000 places in each of the academic years from 2023/24 to 2027/28. (DEVB)	Task on track. The CIC will continue to provide over 12 000 training places for skilled construction workers in the 2026/27 academic year.
44	Increase land supply: • Update and release annually the 10-year forecast of "spade-ready sites". Based on the latest forecast, in the next decade (2026-27 to 2035-36), get ready around 2 600 hectares of "spade-ready sites", among which around 1 800 hectares will come from the NM; and	Task on track. The DEVB duly delivered about 150 hectares of "spade-ready sites" in 2025-26 through various land creation projects, and is expected to achieve the target of delivering around 180 hectares of "spade-ready sites" in 2026-27. The "spade-ready sites" in these two years are primarily in the Tung Chung New Town Extension and the NM. The DEVB has updated the next 10-year forecast to be published shortly. [Note: Published on 19 September.]
	• Based on the latest forecast, resume around 840 hectares of private land for government projects in five years from 2025-26 to 2029-30. (DEVB)	Task on track. About 154 hectares of land were resumed as at mid-September 2026. For the remaining land pending resumption per the indicator, their resumption procedures will be taken forward as appropriate in the coming years according to the progress of development projects.

Indicator No.	2025 Policy Address Indicators for Specified Tasks	Progress
45	Extend the total length of the promenade on both sides of the Victoria Harbour by no less than 30% from 25 kilometres as at 2022 to 34 kilometres by end-2028; and stage no less than 30 events/activities at harbourfront sites every year. (DEVB)	Task on track. The total length of the promenade on both sides of the Victoria Harbour will be extended to around 33 kilometres by end-2026, and is expected to be further extended to 34 kilometres by 2028. In addition, over 30 events/activities were organised by various government departments, non-governmental organisations and private parties at harbourfront sites on both sides of the Victoria Harbour between January and end-August 2026.
46	Progressively commence works for improving some sections and providing missing links of a 60-kilometre long Round-the-Island Trail from 2023 onwards, with a view to connecting 90% of the trail by end-2027 and substantially completing the remaining larger scale works by end-2031. (DEVB)	Task on track. Over 85% of the Round-the-Island Trail has been connected.
60	Introduce legislative amendments into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to implement the mandatory design requirements for elderly-friendly buildings. (DEVB)	Task completed. The DEVB submitted legislative amendments to implement the mandatory design requirements for elderly-friendly buildings to the LegCo in May 2026. Legislative amendments were passed by the LegCo in July 2026 and came into effect in August 2026.

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61	Introduce a bill into the LegCo in the first half of 2026 to amend the Buildings Ordinance for enhancing building safety. (DEVB)	In response to the fire at Wang Fuk Court in Tai Po, the proposed building safety amendments have to be further enhanced. With the Chief Executive's agreement, the DEVB will introduce the amendment bill into the LegCo in the second half of 2026 after studying the report of the Independent Committee.

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