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Question :

For sub-paragraph 6 on Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2005-06, please account for in detail:

- (a) how the Steering Committee for Development of the West Kowloon Cultural District would be serviced;
- (b) how the implementation of the Invitation for Proposals would be coordinated.

Asked by : Hon. LEE Wing-tat

Reply :

- (a) We have established a dedicated team in the Planning and Lands Branch to oversee and coordinate the work relating to the development of the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD). The team is responsible for servicing the Steering Committee for Development of the West Kowloon Cultural District (Steering Committee). We provide the full range of secretariat support to the Steering Committee, and are charged with the responsibility to follow up the decisions of the Steering Committee including inter-bureaux coordination and implementation of the Invitation for Proposals (IFP) process for the WKCD project.

- (b) We are leading and co-ordinating the inter-bureaux/departments' assessment of the screened-in proposals as stipulated in the IFP. Concurrently, we are conducting public consultation in conjunction with the Home Affairs Bureau. On completion of the assessment and public consultation, we shall report to the Steering Committee for advice on the way forward for the project.

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