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**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO**  
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Question : The target working days for the registration of lift/escalator engineers are 45. This target was met in 2003 and 2004. Will the Administration consider enhancing efficiency and further reducing the number of target working days? If not, why?

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

EMSD regularly reviews its performance pledges. We are developing a computer system to facilitate the processing of applications for registration as registered lift/escalator engineers, including submissions through the internet. This system will be completed by 2006. A review on the performance pledge of 45 days for processing such applications will be conducted after the successful implementation of the new computer system.

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