

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question : Please explain why the performance target for carrying out services under Programme (2) District Planning in 2005 is reduced to 90% whilst the performance target for 2004 is nearly 100%. Is it due to the reduction in manpower?

Asked by : Hon. CHAN Kam-lam

Reply :

The target achievement rates for carrying out services under Programme (2) District Planning in 2005 are 90%, which are the same as those for 2004. Hence, there is no reduction of target achievement rates in 2005 as compared to 2004.

Although the actual achievement rates for undertaking these services were 99% to 100% in 2004, the target achievement rates of 90% are retained for the subject services in 2005. A more modest performance target is set because there will be new planning procedures and practices under the Town Planning (Amendment) Ordinance 2004, which would be very different from the existing procedures and practice.

Having said the above, setting a more modest target does not mean that we would not try to better perform, as illustrated by our efforts and achievements in the past two years.

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