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Question : The actual performance in respect of district planning in 2003 and 2004 had achieved 97-100% of the performance targets. However, the performance target for these services in 2005 is 90%. Please explain. Will the Government raise the performance target to increase its efficiency?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply :

Although the actual achievement rates for undertaking these services were 97% to 100% in 2003 and 99% to 100% in 2004, the target achievement rate of 90% is 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 practices.

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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