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Question : Under "Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2006-07", the Buildings Department will prepare for the development of guidelines on sustainable building design. What is the draft content of the above guidelines?

Asked by : Hon. TO Kun-sun, James

Reply :

Following the publication of "A First Sustainable Development Strategy for Hong Kong" by the Administration, Buildings Department is making arrangements for the commissioning of a consultancy study on sustainable building design features. The objectives of the study are :

- to identify and review the effectiveness of the current measures in promoting sustainable building design features;
- to draw up recommendations on the promotion of sustainable building design features and formulate guidelines for such features;
- to assess the implications of setting mandatory requirements for sustainable building design features in Hong Kong; and
- to advise whether any sustainable building design features should be made mandatory in Hong Kong.

We expect that the consultancy study will commence by mid 2006 and will be completed by end 2006.

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