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Question :

An interim review will be carried out by the Buildings Department after the operation of the Joint Office with the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to handle public complaints about water seepage has been extended for 18 months. Will the Buildings Department announce the results of the review? If so, what is the schedule for announcement? If not, what are the reasons?

Asked by : Hon. LI Kwok-ying

Reply :

Since July 2006 the Buildings Department (BD) and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department have extended the operation of the pilot Joint Office (JO) to handle public complaints about water seepage problems to the whole territory under a three-year programme. BD plans to conduct a mid-term review on the effectiveness of the programme 18 months' after the extension of the operation. The review will commence towards the end of this year for completion before mid-2008. The operation of the JO will be refined as may be necessary from the findings of the review and we will inform the public of the improvement measures.

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