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Question : What are the details of the technical services and training opportunities provided by the Planning Department for its staff in various sections in 2006?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply :

To enhance our technical capability in conducting planning analysis and studies, we have set up a centralised computer data management system with updated socio-economic data and statistics for sharing among staff. We have also provided staff with technical back-up on urban design and landscaping to facilitate their work on examining planning proposals and assessment of development submissions.

For staff development, we organise regular courses and seminars to strengthen their technical, managerial and professional knowledge. Staff are also nominated to attend local and international conferences relevant to the work of the Department.

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