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Question : With regard to “the new survey on the Hong Kong residents living in Shenzhen areas”, please explain in detail the content of the survey and its uses in planning.

Asked by : Hon. SHEK Lai-him, Abraham

Reply :

The survey aims to collect information on the number and the characteristics of Hong Kong people living in Shenzhen and their socio-economic ties with Hong Kong, such as the purpose and frequency of returning to Hong Kong. The findings should provide useful input to strategic and infrastructure planning purpose. We are working out the technical arrangements with the Shenzhen authorities and a pilot survey is expected to start later this year.

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