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Question:

Regarding the development of a performance-based regulatory system, what is the progress of the work? When will the system be completed?

Asked by: Hon. LEE Wing-tat

Reply:

We have commissioned consultants to carry out studies on various aspects of planning, safety and construction requirements of buildings, including lighting and ventilation, fire safety, sanitary and drainage system and structural requirements. Some of the studies have been completed. The development of a performance-based regulatory system involves a number of building regulations. We will consider introducing legislative amendments to the relevant building regulations by phases, starting 2008/09.

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