Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2016-17

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Question:

What is the number of New Territories Exempted Houses with non-compliant removal orders in each Rural Committee district in 2015? What is the arrangement for enforcing such removal orders in 2016?

Asked by: Hon TAM Yiu-chung (Member Question No. 45)

Reply:

The numbers of non-compliant removal orders in connection with unauthorised building works in New Territories Exempted Houses (NTEHs) in the nine administrative districts of the New Territories District Councils as at 31 December 2015 are tabulated below –

District	Number of Non-compliant Orders
Islands	45
Kwai Tsing	2
North	117
Sai Kung	113
Sha Tin	54
Tai Po	249
Tsuen Wan	57
Tuen Mun	170
Yuen Long	358
Total	1 165

The Buildings Department (BD) does not maintain separate statistics on the number of NTEHs with non-compliant removal orders or the number of orders for NTEHs in each Rural Committee district.

The BD will continue to follow up on the non-compliant removal orders and consider instigating prosecution against owners who fail to comply with the removal orders without any reasonable excuse.