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## Question:

In "Brief Description", the Buildings Department will continue the consultancy study on the latest technological methods in identifying the sources of water seepage in buildings. Under this connection, please provide the scope, cost, finalised date and other details of such studies and the proposed adoptation date for the proposals and recommendations of such report.

Asked by: Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him (Member Question No. 23)

#### Reply:

The consultancy study on the latest technological methods in identifying sources of water seepage in buildings commenced in October 2014. The study researches into technological matters relating to water seepage investigation in buildings both locally and overseas. It will assess and recommend the most suitable testing methods for use in private buildings as well as help formulate technical guidelines for use by the Joint Office (JO) set up by the Buildings Department and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department for handling reports on water seepage. The study is expected to complete in early 2017 and the JO will then consider how best to follow up on the findings. The estimated expenditure of the study is \$4.5 million.