

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

In 2014 and 2015, among the minor works submissions received, how many of them were associated with sub-divided flats? Among the minor works submissions selected for auditing, how many of them were associated with sub-divided flats? Did the authorities identify any case of contravention of the Buildings Ordinance among the audited submissions, and were any registered minor works contractors or owners subsequently prosecuted?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Hak-kan (Member Question No. 8)

Reply:

The Buildings Department (BD) received 3 606 and 4 064 minor works submissions associated with sub-division of flats in 2014 and 2015 respectively. Among these minor works submissions, 321 (in 2014) and 294 (in 2015) submissions were selected randomly for audit check. Minor irregularities including non-compliance of administrative procedures and requirements, such as inadequate information in the submissions, were found in 79 (in 2014) and 80 (in 2015) audited cases and they were subsequently rectified by the prescribed building professionals (PBP) and/or prescribed registered contractors (PRC). Major irregularities warranting follow-up enforcement action by the BD were found in six cases in 2014 and the respective PBP and/or PRC were subsequently prosecuted and convicted. The BD has not identified any submission in 2015 with major irregularities.

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