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Question:

With reference to Reply Serial No. DEVB(PL)090:

In connection with cases in which mini-storages have been issued removal orders/repair orders by the BD, please provide the number of cases where such orders have been issued over 6 months and have not been complied with, but the Department has not yet taken further actions, including prosecution.

Asked by: Hon TAM Man-ho, Jeremy

Reply:

As at 31 March 2017, there were 64 mini-storages which had not complied with the removal orders/repair orders issued by the Buildings Department (BD) for over six months. Amongst these cases, three were under appeal; 25 had been granted with an extension of time for complying with the relevant orders mainly due to the time required for completing rectification works; and applications for an extension of time for complying with the relevant orders were being processed for 21 cases. For the remaining 15 cases, the BD is closely monitoring the compliance status and will consider instigating prosecution against the relevant parties.