

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)098****(Question Serial No. 0359)**

Head: (82) Buildings Department

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Programme: (1) Buildings and Building Works

Controlling Officer: Director of Buildings (CHEUNG Tin-cheung)

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Question:

It is mentioned in the indicators that the Buildings Department (BD) issued over 500 removal orders for unauthorised building works (UBWs) in New Territories Exempted Houses (NTEHs) in the past two years. In this connection, would the Government inform this Committee:

- (1) the number of prosecutions against UBWs in NTEHs which failed to comply with removal orders in the last five years, broken down by years;
- (2) the number of unauthorised structures removed and irregularities rectified regarding NTEHs in the last five years, broken down by years.

Asked by: Hon IP LAU Suk-ye, Regina (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 32)

Reply:

Statistics on removal orders issued, prosecutions instigated, and unauthorised structures removed or irregularities rectified in connection with the Building Department's enforcement actions against unauthorised building works in New Territories Exempted Houses in the past five years are tabulated below –

Year	Number of removal orders issued	Number of prosecutions instigated ^{Note}	Number of unauthorised structures removed or irregularities rectified ^{Note}
2013	328	80	108
2014	454	79	239
2015	415	97	265
2016	529	201	363
2017	572	230	407

Note: The figures do not necessarily correspond to the number of removal orders issued in the same year.

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