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Question:

It is mentioned in the Programme that the Buildings Department continued the Large Scale Operation on inspection of sub-divided flats (SDFs) in 100 target buildings, comprising 80 domestic/composite buildings and 20 industrial buildings, and rectification of irregularities of building works associated with the SDFs in 2018. Please advise this Committee:

1) In the table below, please provide information on the 80 domestic/composite target buildings, including i) the names of buildings (or street names, whichever is available); ii) the number of SDFs involved; iii) the number of occupants who have to move out owing to the rectification of unauthorised building works (UBWs); iv) whether the rectification has been completed as at March 2019.

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2) In the table below, please provide information on the 20 industrial target buildings, including i) the names of buildings (or street names, whichever is available); ii) the number of SDFs involved; iii) the number of occupants who have to move out owing to the rectification of UBWs; iv) whether the rectification has been completed as at March 2019.

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Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (LegCo internal reference no.: 32)

Reply:

1&2) The Buildings Department (BD) continued the large scale operations (LSOs) on inspection of sub-divided flats (SDFs) in 100 target buildings, comprising 80 domestic/composite buildings and 20 industrial buildings in 2018. Disclosure of the list of target buildings may affect the enforcement action that will be taken by BD. It is therefore inappropriate to disclose the names of the target buildings involved.

The numbers of SDFs with irregularities identified in 2018 and SDFs rectified of irregularities in 2018 under LSOs (as at 31 December 2018) are tabulated below –

	Number of SDFs with irregularities identified	Number of SDFs rectified of irregularities (as of 31 December 2018) (1)
Target domestic/composite buildings	479	207
Target industrial buildings	21	6

Note ⁽¹⁾: The figures do not necessarily correspond to the SDFs with irregularities identified in the same period.

BD does not compile statistics on the number of SDF occupants who have to move out owing to the rectification of unauthorised building works.