

Panel on Manpower**List of follow-up actions**

(position as at 6 February 2004)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Progress of the implementation of the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) System	18.1.01	The Administration was requested to provide monthly progress reports on the implementation of the MPF System.	The progress report as at the end of December 2003 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1042/03-04 on 19 January 2004.
2. Report on the progress of policy initiatives for the 2000-01 session and policy programmes/reviews for the 2001-02 session	2.11.01	The Administration undertook to provide reports on the progress of creation of some 30 000 jobs as announced in the Chief Executive's 2001 Policy Address with a detailed breakdown on the job posts and the industries involved on a half-yearly basis.	The fourth progress report as at 30 September 2003 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)417/03-04 on 21 November 2003.
3. Financial assistance to the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund	31.10.02	The Administration was requested to provide information, on a monthly or quarterly basis, on the prosecution action taken, whether successful or not, for offences in relation to arrears of wages as well as the difficulties encountered in taking out such prosecutions.	The Administration's response providing the relevant prosecution figures for the second quarter of 2003 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)2895/02-03 on 24 July 2003.

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4. Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals	4.4.03 (Joint meeting with the Panel on Security)	The Administration agreed to provide members with progress reports on the Scheme on a regular basis.	Progress report on the Scheme for the period from 15 July to 31 October 2003 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)632/03-04(01) on 12 December 2003.
5. Employment programmes for graduates of tertiary institutions	17.7.03	The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on the number of graduates of the Hong Kong Institute of Education and universities being recruited under the different employment programmes launched by the Government	Response awaited
6. Job creation projects announced in the Chief Executive's 2000 Policy Address and 2001 Policy Address	21.10.03	The Administration was requested to provide an up-to-date position of the temporary jobs created under the package of job creation projects announced in the Chief Executive's 2000 Policy Address and 2001 Policy Address.	The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)821/03-04 on 24 December 2003.
7. Average working hours of a local domestic helper	21.10.03	The Administration was requested to provide information on the average working hours of a local domestic helper referred under the Employees Retraining Board's Integrated Scheme for Local Domestic Helpers.	The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)820/03-04 on 24 December 2003.

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8. Impact of implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA) on local employment	20.11.03	The Administration was requested to - (a) give an undertaking on the timetable for conducting a quantitative impact assessment of CEPA on local employment; (b) consider reviewing the existing definition of "Hong Kong manufacturer" and adopting measures to ensure that the number of workers employed and their wages were in proportion to the output; and (c) provide information on the inspection procedures and measures to prevent illegal circumvention of origin rules in respect of Hong Kong exports to the United States.	Response awaited

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9. Amendment of the Vocational Training Council Ordinance	20.11.03	The Administration agreed to provide the report conducted by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries concerning the employment of Hong Kong people in the Mainland.	Response awaited
10. Illegal employment	15.1.04	The Administration undertook to provide information on the sentences imposed on employers convicted for employing illegal workers.	Response awaited
11. Continuing Education Fund (CEF)	15.1.04	The Administration undertook to provide information on the number of degree holders applied for subsidy under the CEF and the type of courses they pursued.	Response awaited