

U P D A T E D**Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene****List of follow-up actions**
(position as at 10 April 2006)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Measures against avian influenza (AI)	10 March 2004	The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on the review of existing regulatory framework for local poultry farming outlined in its paper issued for the Panel meeting on 25 February 2004.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
2. Resumption of importation of live chickens	27 April 2004	The Administration to look into whether there was a market manipulation problem in the live chicken market.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
3. Study on H7 and H9 virus	4 June 2004	The Administration to provide information on the study on H7 and H9 virus found at the poultry markets.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.

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4. Suspension of issue of licence to food premises operating without licence	8 March 2005	The Administration to provide information on time taken on those cases FEHD had successfully applied for closure orders from the court on unlicensed food premises.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
5. "Closed season" for fishing	8 March 2005 26 April 2005	The Administration to seek clarification from the Mainland whether the Mainland had intention to abolish the "closed season" policy. The Administration to provide information on the review findings of the effectiveness of implementing closed season policy in the Mainland.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
6. Establishment of framework to regulate fishing activities	26 April 2005	The Administration to provide information on the overseas countries which had prohibited demersal trawling activities.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
7. Supply and regulation of freshwater fish	8 November 2005	The Administration to provide information on the types of fish supplied by the 26 registered fish farms.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response.

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8. Proposed new penalties for repeat cleanliness offenders	13 December 2005	The Administration to provide statistics on prosecutions against service companies employing workers to carry out illegal posting activities in past years.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
9. Food poisoning incidents	7 February 2006	The Administration to provide a breakdown of food poisoning incidents in 2005 by types of cases and a comparison with those in 2004.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
10. Food labeling requirements on durability indication	7 February 2006	The Administration to provide information on the measures in practices adopting "use by" date for prepackaged food to indicate durability of food.	A letter dated 30 March 2006 was issued to remind the Administration to provide a response. Response awaited.
11. Proposed demerit points system for licensed food premises	14 March 2006	The Administration to provide – (a) information on the number of licensed food premises with their licences suspended in the past three years, and the reasons for suspension; and	The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2) 1672/05-06(01) dated 6 April 2006.

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	6 April 2006	<p>(b) a comparison of the existing demerit points with the proposed points assigned to individual offences.</p> <p>The Administration to provide –</p> <p>(a) statistics on successful and unsuccessful prosecutions which FEHD had made against licensed food premises and the penalty awarded in these cases in the past five years; and</p> <p>(b) information on the number of food poisoning cases in Asian countries and the USA, and the extent of such problem as compared to Hong Kong.</p>	Response awaited.
12. Enforcement actions against street hawking activities	6 April 2006	The Administration to provide the investigation findings on the hawker raiding operation conducted on 29 March 2006 whereupon a man sustained injury as a result of a traffic accident.	Response awaited.