

The major duties and responsibilities of the Director of Buildings during the period from 1999 to 2002 are as follows.

1. Overall Role and Objectives

- DB is the head of the Buildings Department and is responsible for formulating and implementing the policies and strategies on private building development and control throughout Hong Kong.

2. Main Duties and Responsibilities

- To formulate, co-ordinate and review policies governing the control and facilitation of private building development in Hong Kong.
- To exercise statutory and executive responsibilities as the Building Authority.
- To solicit community support for the Government policies on building development and control through liaison with professional bodies, legislators, developers, the public concerned, and community and district organizations.
- To be the chief advisor to Government on matters relating to building development and control in Hong Kong.
- To be the Controlling Officer for departmental revenue and expenditure, and the Head of Grade of the two departmental professional grades.
- To attend committees/meetings including:

as Chairman

- Building Authority Conference
- Building Sub-Committee of Land and Building Advisory Committee
- Buildings Department Senior Directorate Meeting
- Authorized Persons & Registered Structural Engineers

Committee

- Buildings Department Staff Training and Development Panel
- Interdepartmental Task Force on Re-engineering of Development Process
- Buildings Department Corruption Prevention Group
- Other ad-hoc committees to guide the major consultancy studies for setting up new control standard or reviewing existing standards

as Member

- Board Meeting of the Urban Renewal Authority
- Directors' Meeting of the Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau
- Heads of Departments' Meeting
- Provisional Construction Industry Co-ordination Board Meeting
- Lands and Building Advisory Committee

The statutory powers of Mr LEUNG in the position of DB and in the capacity of the Building Authority by virtue of the Buildings Ordinance are as follows:

The duties of the Building Authority are those imposed on him under the Buildings Ordinance. In short, the Building Authority is responsible for the administration of the Buildings Ordinance and exercising the powers granted to him under the Ordinance. The Buildings Ordinance provides for the planning, design and construction of buildings and associated works; the rendering safe of dangerous buildings and land; and matters connected therewith. The duties and powers of the Building Authority under the Buildings Ordinance may be carried out and exercised by the Director of Buildings or an officer of the Buildings Department authorized by the Director of Buildings.