

**Panel on Public Service****List of follow-up actions**

(Position as at 11 January 2012)

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up actions required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
1. <u>Racial profile of the civil service</u>	20.06.2011	The Administration undertook to provide a paper to address members' concerns about ethnic minorities' difficulty in meeting the language proficiency requirements of respective departments/grades.	The Administration's response is awaited.
2. <u>Provision of paternity leave to government employees</u>	17.10.2011	The Administration was requested to consider –  (a) making it a statutory requirement for all employers in Hong Kong to provide paid paternity leave for their employees as a measure to promote family-friendly practice; and  (b) extending the scope of consultation on the provision of paid paternity leave to also include subvented organizations, public bodies and private sector organizations.	The Administration's response is awaited.
	19.12.2011	The Administration was requested to –  (a) consider seeking the Equal Opportunities Commission's advice on whether restricting the provision of paid paternity leave to childbirth within marriage would violate the spirit of equality and constitute a discrimination against infants not born within marriage; and	The Administration's response is awaited.

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		(b) consider providing training programmes or courses on care of infants for fathers or fathers-to-be eligible for paid paternity leave.	
3. <u>Attractiveness of civil service jobs</u>	17.10.2011	The Administration was requested to consider commissioning an academic institution to conduct a longitudinal study to keep track on the career development of civil servants who had resigned from the Government with an aim to reviewing whether civil service jobs remained competitive and attractive in the job market.	The Administration's response is awaited.
4. <u>Submission from the H.K. Fire Services Department Ambulancemen's Union (the Ambulancemen's Union)</u>	17.10.2011	The Administration was requested to investigate and follow-up the complaint of the Ambulancemen's Union (submission dated 12 October 2011 in LC Paper No. CB(1)48/11-12(02)) against Fire Services Department's interference with the operation and internal affairs of the Ambulancemen's Unions.	The Administration's response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)786/11-12 on 6 January 2012.
5. <u>National studies and Basic Law training for civil servants</u>	21.11.2011	The Administration was requested to –  (a) provide information on whether the Education Bureau had arranged dedicated national studies training for its curriculum officers to enhance their professionalism in designing and developing the curriculum of Moral and National Education for primary and secondary school students;	The Administration's response is awaited.

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		<p>(b) consider offering opportunities for non-civil service contract staff to receive training on national studies and Basic Law;</p> <p>(c) consider extending the scope of exchange under the Civil Service Exchange Programme with the Mainland to cover the auditing, legal and redress systems as well as the anti-corruption practices of the HKSAR Government; and</p> <p>(d) consider conducting a research to study the impact of the various national studies programmes and related activities on the Hong Kong civil service and the formulation of public policies.</p>	
<p>6. <u>Employment situation of non-civil service contract (NCSC) staff</u></p>	<p>21.11.2011</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to –</p> <p>(a) provide a breakdown by Bureau/Department (B/D) of the number of NCSC staff with continuous service of five years or more, showing the number of NCSC staff serving in different NCSC positions in the same B/D and the number of those employed for time-limited programmes;</p> <p>(b) provide a breakdown by job nature of the number of NCSC staff in the disciplined services;</p> <p>(c) review the length of contract, terms of employment and conditions of service of teaching assistants and</p>	<p>The Administration's response is awaited.</p>

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		provide the number of teaching assistants who had been re-employed in the same position under consecutive contracts; and  (d) consider according priority to NCSC staff with relevant working experience in open recruitment for civil service posts and granting incremental credits to NCSC staff taking into account their years of service in the Government.	

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