

Panel on Manpower

List of follow-up actions

(position as at 16 November 2012)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Progress of the implementation of the Mandatory Provident Fund ("MPF") System	18.1.2001	The Administration was requested to provide monthly progress reports on the implementation of the MPF System.	The progress reports for the months between May and September 2012 were circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(2)2427/11-12, CB(2)2597/11-12, CB(2)2700/11-12 and CB(2)2809/11-12 on 22 June, 16 July, 24 August, 20 September and 25 October 2012 respectively.

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2. Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals	4.4.2003 (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 1 October 2011 to 31 March 2012 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1749/11-12 on 18 April 2012.
3. Implementation of Qualifications Framework ("QF")	Meeting of the Bills Committee on Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Bill	The Administration undertook to report to the Panel the progress of implementation of QF in individual industries on a half-yearly basis.	Progress of implementation of QF discussed at meetings of the Panel between October 2008 and October 2011.
4. Policy and arrangements relating to admission of trainees to Hong Kong	23.3.2010	The Administration was requested to - (a) provide a breakdown of the number of trainees admitted to Hong Kong by sector, position and training duration; (b) consider the need to establish a formal vetting mechanism under which relevant departments	Response awaited.

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		<p>such as the Labour Department ("LD"), Immigration Department and Civil Aviation Department would be involved in processing the applications for visa/entry permit of persons to attend training in their sponsoring companies; and</p> <p>(c) report on the outcome of the investigation conducted on Cathay Pacific which had sponsored trainees who were allegedly working in Hong Kong to fill local staff positions.</p>	
<p>5. Creation of employment opportunities under the hawker policy</p>	<p>28.6.2011 (Joint meeting with the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide a response on its study of the vitalization of the existing open-air bazaars in Aberdeen, Sai Kung, Tin Shui Wai and Tung Chung.</p> <p>In its letter dated 20 January 2012, the Food and Health Bureau ("FHB") stated that there has not been a study of the vitalization of the existing open-air bazaars as such undertaken by the Administration. FHB would keep the hawker licensing policy under review and the Administration would welcome proposals from</p>	<p>Further response from FHB awaited.</p>

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		<p>local or community organizations on initiatives to revitalize the local economy, promote district characteristics or create local employment.</p> <p>Having considered FHB's response, members requested the Administration's further response on whether and how it would study the vitalization of open-air bazaars in Aberdeen, Sai Kung, Tin Shui Wai and Tung Chung, etc.</p>	
6. Standard working hours	20.10.2011	<p>When the Secretary for Labour and Welfare briefed members on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2011-2012 Policy Address at the meeting on 20 October 2011, members requested the Administration to provide the findings of its policy study on standard working hours once available.</p>	<p>At the Panel meeting on 11 July 2012, members were advised that the third term Government had completed the policy study and a report had been submitted to the then Executive Council ("ExCo"), which recommended that the report should be passed to the new Administration for consideration. The new Administration is</p>

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			considering the report and plans to brief the Panel in December 2012.

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