

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

List of follow-up actions
(position as at 20 March 2015)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up actions required	Response of the responsible party
1. Reform of the current system to determine whether an offence is to be tried by judge and jury or by judge alone	22 April 2014	The Department of Justice ("DoJ") was requested to provide information on the estimated overall resource implications (e.g. cost and procedural implications) if jury trials were introduced in the District Court.	DoJ will provide the information (to be worked out in consultation with the Judiciary) when the Panel next discusses the subject.
2. 2014-2015 Judicial Service Pay Adjustment	24 November 2014	The Judiciary Administration was requested to provide responses to the following suggestions made by members: (a) expanding the scope of the Scheme on Judicial Assistants to enhance support to judges and judicial officers at all levels of court and engaging more young solicitors and barristers as Judicial Assistants; and (b) apart from conducting open recruitment, consideration be given to approaching eligible legal practitioners direct and/or engaging an executive search firm to see whether these legal practitioners were willing to join the bench.	Response awaited.

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<p>3. Draft Court Procedural Rules for the Competition Tribunal</p>	<p>16 February 2015</p>	<p>The Judiciary Administration ("JA") was requested to provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) comparison of the key procedures adopted by the Small Claims Tribunal and the Lands Tribunal and to be adopted by the Competition Tribunal; (b) comparison of the key differences in the procedures to be adopted by the Competition Tribunal and those adopted by the Court of First Instance; and (c) rules and practice applicable to the competition-related courts in other common law jurisdictions. <p>The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau ("CEDB") was requested to provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) relationship between the contravention of the First Conduct Rule under section 6 of the Competition Ordinance ("the CO")(Cap. 619) and the Second Conduct Rule under section 21 of the CO; and (b) procedures for members of the public to seek remedies due to contravention in the requirements of the CO. 	<p>JA's and CEDB's responses were issued to all Members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)643/14-15 on 20 March 2015.</p>

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