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**Position Report on Bills Committees and subcommittees
(as at 10 November 2015)**

Summary	1. Number of Bills Committees in action	:	10	(see <u>List A</u> for details)
	2. Number of Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 13.11.15	:	1	(see <u>List B</u> for details)
	3. Number of vacant slots of Bills Committees	:	5	
	4. Number of bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate	:	1	(see <u>List C</u> for details)
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	5. Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement	:		(see <u>List D</u> for details)
	6. Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action	:	7	(see <u>List E</u> for details)
	7. Number of subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 13.11.15	:	2	(see <u>List F</u> for details)
	8. Number of subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action	:	3	(see <u>List G</u> for details)
	9. Number of other subcommittee under House Committee in action	:	1	(see <u>List H</u> for details)
	10. Number of subcommittees under Panels in action	:	7	(see <u>List I</u> for details)
11. Number of subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list	:	5	(see <u>List J</u> for details)	

List A : Bills Committees in action

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Property Management Services Bill - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)6 Tel : 3919 3206	7.5.14	9.5.14 Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS (Chairman) Hon WU Chi-wai, MH (Deputy Chairman)	16 11.6.14 23.7.14 (2 sessions) 15.10.14 4.11.14 25.11.14 12.1.15 9.2.15 27.2.15 24.3.15 21.4.15 4.5.15 8.6.15 29.6.15 6.7.15 28.10.15 10.11.15			Next meeting to be held on 30.11.15 to meet with the Administration.

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2. Bills Committee on Private Columbaria Bill - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	25.6.14	27.6.14 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman) Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Deputy Chairman)	19 29.7.14 25.10.14 (2 sessions) 25.11.14 15.12.14 23.1.15 16.2.15 23.3.15 17.4.15 27.4.15 12.5.15 26.5.15 22.6.15 29.6.15 6.7.15 20.7.15 29.9.15 13.10.15 26.10.15 6.11.15			Next meeting to be held on 24.11.15 to meet with the Administration.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
3. Bills Committee on Interception of Communications and Surveillance (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201	11.2.15	27.2.15 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman) Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS (Deputy Chairman)	13 27.3.15 9.4.15 2.5.15 (2 sessions) 11.5.15 1.6.15 22.6.15 29.6.15 14.7.15 6.10.15 12.10.15 23.10.15 2.11.15 9.11.15			Next meeting to be held on 16.11.15 to meet with the Administration.
4. Bills Committee on Human Reproductive Technology (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel : 3919 3205	18.3.15	20.3.15 Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki	6 9.4.15 27.4.15 12.5.15 2.6.15 6.7.15 5.10.15			Next meeting to be scheduled.

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
5. Bills Committee on Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Electrical Equipment and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	18.3.15	20.3.15 Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP	7 9.4.15 4.5.15 2.6.15 22.6.15 20.7.15 18.9.15 3.11.15			Next meeting to be scheduled.
6. Bills Committee on Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	13.5.15	15.5.15 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	3 2.6.15 7.7.15 10.11.15			Reporting to the House Committee on 4.12.15.
7. Bills Committee on Chinese Permanent Cemeteries (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Miss Josephine SO CCS(2)2 Tel : 3919 3202	8.7.15	9.10.15 Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS	1 27.10.15			Next meeting to be held on 27.11.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
8. Bills Committee on Kai Tak Cruise Terminal Bill - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(4)5 Tel : 3919 3404	8.7.15	9.10.15 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	1 20.10.15			Next meeting to be held on 24.11.15 to meet with the Administration.

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9. Bills Committee on Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Product Container) (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	8.7.15	9.10.15 Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP	1 30.10.15			Next meeting to be held on 30.11.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
10. Bills Committee on Companies (Winding Up and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Bill 2015 - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3104	14.10.15	16.10.15 Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP	1 6.11.15			Next meeting to be held on 30.11.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration.

List B : Bills Committee reporting to House Committee on 13.11.15

Name of Bills Committee Clerk	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of formation of Bills Committee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Expected date for resumption of Second Reading debate	Remarks
1. Bills Committee on Copyright (Amendment) Bill 2014 - Mr Daniel SIN CCS(4)3 Tel : 3919 3403	18.6.14	20.6.14 Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP	24 17.7.14 14.10.14 25.10.14 (4 sessions) 4.11.14 18.11.14 8.12.14 16.12.14 6.1.15 20.1.15 3.2.15 24.2.15 9.4.15 21.4.15 4.5.15 7.5.15 19.5.15 2.6.15 9.6.15 23.6.15 29.6.15 6.7.15 23.9.15 19.10.15 2.11.15	13.11.15	25.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 13.11.15.

List C : Bill pending resumption of Second Reading debate

Name of Bill	Date of introduction of Bill into Legislative Council	Date of House Committee meeting(s) at which the Bill was considered	Council meeting at which Second Reading debate will be resumed (if known)	Remarks
1. Kowloon Tong Church of the Chinese Christian and Missionary Alliance Incorporation (Amendment) Bill 2014	4.6.14	6.6.14		Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG has withdrawn her notice for resumption of the Second Reading debate on the Bill at the Council meeting of 24.6.15.

List D : Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date of reporting to House Committee	Remarks
Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement - Ms Amy YU PCS1 Tel : 3919 3660	26.10.12 Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP	3 4.12.12 7.6.13 12.5.15	15.5.15	A meeting was held between the Subcommittee and the Independent Commission on Remuneration for Members of the Executive Council and the Legislature, and Officials under the Political Appointment System of the HKSAR on 24.7.15 to discuss the Subcommittee's Report on the Review of Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement.

List E : Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Commencement Notices related to Five Sets of Amendment Rules made under Sections 73 and 73A of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance and Gazetted on 17 July 2015 - Mr Anthony CHU CCS(4)1 Tel : 3919 3401	9.10.15 Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP	2 30.10.15 10.11.15		Reporting to the House Committee on 20.11.15.
2. Subcommittee on Rules of the High Court (Amendment) (No. 3) Rules 2015 and Rules of the District Court (Amendment) Rules 2015 - Mr Daniel SIN CCS(4)3 Tel : 3919 3403	9.10.15 Hon Dennis KWOK	1 22.10.15	20.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 20.11.15.
3. Subcommittee on Consular Relations (Additional Privileges and Immunities) (Cambodia) Order and Consular Relations (Additional Privileges and Immunities) (Philippines) Order - Ms Debbie YAU CCS(4)5 Tel : 3919 3404	9.10.15 Hon James TO Kun-sun	1 27.10.15	20.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 20.11.15.
4. Subcommittee on the Six Orders Made under Section 49(1A) of the Inland Revenue Ordinance and Gazetted on 2 October 2015 - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	9.10.15 Hon Kenneth LEUNG	1 27.10.15	20.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 20.11.15.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
5. Subcommittee on Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) (Amendment) Regulation 2015 and Building (Administration) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2015 - Ms Sharon CHUNG CCS(1)2 Tel : 3919 3106	16.10.15 Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP	3 27.10.15 3.11.15 9.11.15		Next meeting to be held on 13.11.15 to meet with the Administration.
6. Subcommittee on Census and Statistics (2016 Population Census) Order - Ms Connie SZETO CCS(1)4 Tel : 3919 3104	30.10.15 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP	1 9.11.15		The Chairman of the Subcommittee has given notice to move a proposed resolution at the Council meeting of 18.11.15 to extend the scrutiny period of the Order to the Council meeting of 16.12.15. Next meeting to be held on 17.11.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration.
7. Subcommittee on Fifth Technical Memorandum for Allocation of Emission Allowances in Respect of Specified Licences - Ms Angel SHEK CCS(1)1 Tel : 3919 3101	30.10.15 Hon Kenneth LEUNG	1 10.11.15		The Chairman of the Subcommittee has given notice to move a proposed resolution at the Council meeting of 18.11.15 to extend the scrutiny period of the Technical Memorandum to the Council meeting of 16.12.15. Next meeting to be held on 17.11.15 to meet with deputations and the Administration.

List F : Subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/draft subsidiary legislation/other instruments reporting to the House Committee on 13.11.15

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Date and number of meetings held	Date to report to House Committee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Trainee Solicitors (Amendment) Rules 2015 - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel : 3919 3402	9.10.15 Hon Dennis KWOK	1 27.10.15	13.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 13.11.15.
2. Subcommittee on Declaration of Geographical Constituencies (Legislative Council) Order 2015 - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel : 3919 3203	23.10.15 Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP	1 3.11.15	13.11.15	Reporting to the House Committee on 13.11.15.

List G : Subcommittees on policy issues under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Poverty - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	12.10.12 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman) Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)	33 (5.11.12)	To study relevant policies and measures to ease the disparity between the rich and the poor and alleviate poverty, follow up the work of the Government's Commission on Poverty and make timely recommendations.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.1.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to further extend the period of its work until 31.1.16.
2. Subcommittee to Follow up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport - Miss Mary SO CCS(4)2 Tel : 3919 3419	15.5.15 Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP (Chairman) Hon Dennis KWOK (Deputy Chairman)	2 (16.10.15)	To study and follow up issues relating to three-runway system at Hong Kong International Airport, including the feasibility of the three-runway system, its scope and design details, financial arrangement, existing capacity of Hong Kong International Airport, environmental impacts, and related matters.	—
3. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Mainland-HKSAR Families - Mr Colin CHUI CCS(2)4 Tel : 3919 3204	23.1.15 Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP	1 (23.10.15)	To study issues relating to Mainland-HKSAR families and make recommendations where necessary.	—

List H : Other subcommittee under House Committee in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Remarks
1. Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions - Ms Annette LAM CCS(1)3 Tel : 3919 3103	12.10.12 Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP	9 (31.10.12)	—

List I : Subcommittees under Panels in action

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport - Mr Anthony CHU CCS(4)1 Tel : 3919 3401	16.11.12 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP (Chairman) Hon WONG Kwok-hing, BBS, MH (Deputy Chairman)	22 (30.11.12)	To follow up various issues relating to the planning and implementation of new railway projects, and the operation of existing railways.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 31.12.15), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.
2. Subcommittee on Health Protection Scheme under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Maisie LAM CCS(2)5 Tel : 3919 3205	19.11.12 Dr Hon LEUNG Ka-lau	13 (12.12.12)	To study issues relating to the introduction of Health Protection Scheme as proposed by the Government for the Second Stage Public Consultation on Healthcare Reform and make recommendations where necessary.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 31.12.15), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.
3. Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development - Ms Alice LEUNG CCS(2)6 Tel : 3919 3206	11.1.13 Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)	21 (29.1.13)	To monitor issues relating to the implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District project, including the work of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the project's interface with arts and cultural development, and other related matters.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Joint Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 31.12.15), after which the Joint Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
4. Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under the Panel on Welfare Services - Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201	14.1.13 Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Chairman) Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che (Deputy Chairman)	14 (25.2.14)	To study issues relating to the retirement life of all people, and to follow up on the proposal of setting up and implementation of universal retirement protection for all people in Hong Kong.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 31.12.15), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.
5. Subcommittee to Study the Implementation of Free Kindergarten Education under the Panel on Education - Miss Polly YEUNG CCS(4)4 Tel : 3919 3402	14.4.14 Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman) Hon IP Kin-yuen (Deputy Chairman)	11 (27.10.14)	To study and review the progress, arrangements, policy and matters related to the implementation of free kindergarten education, and make recommendations where necessary.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 26.1.16), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.
6. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine under the Panel on Health Services - Ms Joanne MAK CCS(2)3 Tel : 3919 3203	16.6.14 Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP	8 (5.11.14)	To study and review the Government's strategy, policies and initiatives to promote the long-term development of Chinese medicine and make timely recommendations.	At the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, Members agreed that permission be given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for three more months in the first instance after the expiry of its period of work (i.e. until 4.2.16), after which the Subcommittee will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
<p>7. Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services</p> <p>- Miss Betty MA CCS(2)1 Tel : 3919 3201</p>	<p>21.1.13</p> <p>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Chairman)</p> <p>Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP (Deputy Chairman)</p>	<p>10 (3.12.14)</p>	<p>To study issues relating to the strategy and measures to tackle domestic violence and sexual violence, including:</p> <p>(a) the effectiveness and progress of the services already in place which were discussed by the Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Family Violence under the Panel on Welfare Services of the Third Legislative Council;</p> <p>(b) statistics, definition, identification and assessment of domestic violence and sexual violence;</p> <p>(c) relocation of accommodation, emotional support and various follow-up services for those involved in cases of domestic violence and sexual violence;</p> <p>(d) legal proceedings relating to cases of domestic violence and sexual violence, as well as anti-violence programmes and counselling services for batterers;</p> <p>(e) education and preventive measures against domestic violence and sexual violence (including hidden cases of domestic violence and sexual violence), and review on child fatality and serious cases;</p> <p><i>(to be continued on next page)</i></p>	<p>As decided at the House Committee meeting on 9.10.15, permission has been given for the Subcommittee to continue to operate for two more months after the expiry of its period of work, i.e. until 2.2.16.</p>

Name of Subcommittee Clerk	Date of formation of Subcommittee Chairman/Deputy Chairman	Number of meetings held (Date of first meeting)	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
<i>(continued from previous page)</i>			<p>(f) manpower, resources and workload of the relevant organizations and government departments, as well as co-ordination among various services for handling domestic violence and sexual violence (including measures taken by the Police and the Social Welfare Department and their co-operation in handling the relevant cases, procedural guidelines and classification system of the Police for handling the relevant cases, as well as measures taken by the relevant organizations and government departments to help those involved in cases of domestic violence and sexual violence lead a new life);</p> <p>(g) special needs of specific groups, including elderly persons, children, new-arrivals, ethnic minorities, homosexuals, transgendered persons, persons with disabilities and sex workers, etc. when encountering domestic violence and sexual violence;</p> <p>(h) the relationship between the provision of mental health services and the occurrence of domestic violence incidents in the community, as well as the support for the families and persons concerned; and</p> <p>(i) policies and follow-ups for handling domestic violence and sexual violence.</p>	

List J : Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
1. Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Standard Working Hours under the Panel on Manpower	10.2.15	To study and follow up the policy on standard working hours and related issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.	Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee on 9.10.15, the Subcommittee can commence work when a vacant slot becomes available to accommodate its activation, which is expected to be 1.1.16.
2. Joint Subcommittee to Study the Arrangement of Offsetting Severance Payments and Long Service Payments against Mandatory Provident Fund Accrued Benefits under the Panel on Financial Affairs and the Panel on Manpower	2.3.15	To study and review the arrangement of offsetting severance payments and long service payments against Mandatory Provident Fund accrued benefits and other related policy issues, and to make recommendations where necessary.	Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee on 9.10.15, the Joint Subcommittee can commence work when a vacant slot becomes available to accommodate its activation, which is expected to be 1.1.16.
3. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Future Development of Elderly Services Schemes under the Panel on Welfare Services	8.6.15	To study relevant policies and measures relating to the future development of elderly services, follow up the work of the Elderly Commission's Elderly Services Programme Plan, discuss relevant policies with the Administration and make timely recommendations.	Pursuant to the decision made at the House Committee on 9.10.15, the Subcommittee can commence work when a vacant slot becomes available to accommodate its activation, which is expected to be 1.1.16.
4. Subcommittee on Redevelopment of Buildings developed under the Civil Servants' Co-operative Building Society Scheme under the Panel on Development	10.11.15	To study issues relating to redevelopment of buildings developed under the Civil Servants' Co-operative Building Society Scheme and, if appropriate, make recommendations on ways to facilitate the redevelopment of these buildings.	At the meeting of the Panel on Development on 10.11.15, members agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.

Name of Subcommittee	Date of appointment of Subcommittee	Terms of reference of the subcommittee	Remarks
5. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Animal Welfare and Cruelty to Animals under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	10.11.15	<p>To study issues relating to animal welfare and cruelty to animals, including :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) exploring measures to better prevent and combat acts of animal cruelty, such as setting up of "animal police" teams specially tasked to investigate cases of animal cruelty and reviewing existing legislation on prevention of cruelty to animals; (b) examining the Government's efforts in the promotion of responsible pet ownership; (c) examining relevant measures currently in place that regulate the safety of pet food, and considering the need of introducing a regulatory regime for the production and quality control of pet food products; and (d) reviewing the Government's efforts in tackling the problem of stray dogs and cats with a view to reducing their numbers in the community. <p>and to put forward recommendations where necessary.</p>	At the meeting of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene on 10.11.15, members agreed to appoint the Subcommittee and noted that it would be placed on the waiting list.