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**Questions scheduled for the  
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Questions by:

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| (1)  | Hon CHAN Han-pan  | (Oral reply)(New question)    |
|      | <i>(Hon HO Kai-ming has given up<br/>the question slot (no. 4))</i> |                               |
| (2)  | Hon Christopher CHEUNG  | (Oral reply)                  |
| (3)  | Hon Alvin YEUNG   | (Oral reply)                  |
| (4)  | Hon Holden CHOW   | (Oral reply)(original no. 1)  |
| (5)  | Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan  | (Oral reply)                  |
| (6)  | Hon SHIU Ka-fai   | (Oral reply)(New question)    |
|      | <i>(Replacing his previous question)</i>                            |                               |
| (7)  | Hon Andrew WAN  | (Written reply)               |
| (8)  | Hon Michael TIEN  | (Written reply)(New question) |
|      | <i>(Replacing his previous question)</i>                            |                               |
| (9)  | Hon CHAN Chi-chuen  | (Written reply)               |
| (10) | Hon CHAN Chun-ying  | (Written reply)               |
| (11) | Hon YIU Si-wing   | (Written reply)               |
| (12) | Hon KWOK Wai-keung  | (Written reply)               |
| (13) | Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai  | (Written reply)               |
| (14) | Hon SHIU Ka-chun  | (Written reply)               |
| (15) | Hon LUK Chung-hung  | (Written reply)               |
| (16) | Prof Hon Joseph LEE   | (Written reply)               |
| (17) | Hon Jimmy NG  | (Written reply)               |
| (18) | Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung   | (Written reply)               |
| (19) | Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim  | (Written reply)               |
| (20) | Hon Charles Peter MOK   | (Written reply)               |
| (21) | Hon Tanya CHAN  | (Written reply)               |
| (22) | Hon WU Chi-wai  | (Written reply)               |

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NOTE :

# 議員將採用這種語言提出質詢

# Member will ask the question in this language

## Psychiatric service of public hospitals

(1) Hon CHAN Han-pan (Oral reply)

Quite a number of patients with mental illness and concern groups have relayed to me that the healthcare manpower and beds in the psychiatric service of public hospitals are now in short supply. This situation, coupled with the inadequate community support, has made it difficult for the mentally ill and the ex-mentally ill persons to integrate into the community. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows the number of psychiatric healthcare staff members, the attendance of each type of psychiatric service, and the number of acute psychiatric beds, in respect of each hospital cluster under the Hospital Authority (“HA”) in each of the past five financial years; whether HA has plans to increase the psychiatric healthcare manpower and the number of acute psychiatric beds in the coming five years; if so, of the details and implementation timetable; if not, the reasons for that;
- (2) whether it knows if HA has issued clear guidelines to its psychiatrists setting out the circumstances under which the cases of patients with mental illness are to be referred to the relevant department for provision of community support services to them; if HA has, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; of the details of the referral mechanism; and
- (3) as some working persons with mental illness have pointed out that since the psychiatric specialist outpatient clinics of public hospitals currently provide only daytime services, it is necessary for them to take leave for follow-up consultations, making their supervisors and colleagues aware that they are receiving psychiatric treatment, who then discriminate against and ostracize them by depriving them of promotional opportunities or even dismissing them, whether the Government will request HA to provide additional psychiatric specialist outpatient service in the evening or during weekend; if so, of the details and implementation timetable; if not, the reasons for that?

Regulation of lucky draw games or activities  
organized in the course of trade promotion

(6) Hon SHIU Ka-fai (Oral reply)

Quite a number of young entrepreneurs have relayed to me that with a view to promoting their products and services, they have introduced some lucky draw games and activities, so as to attract patronage to their physical or online shops. However, the law enforcement authorities have alleged them of operating gaming activities without obtaining the relevant licences, such as “Trade Promotion Competition Licence” or “Amusements with Prizes Licence”, and have indicated that they may invoke the Gambling Ordinance to institute prosecutions against them. Such entrepreneurs have also pointed out that while such games and activities are quite popular in the neighbouring regions and are not against any law in those places, the laws of Hong Kong are overly stringent, thereby hindering their business development and making them unduly worried. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) of the details of the law enforcement actions taken in each of the past three years under the Gambling Ordinance against lucky draw games or activities organized in the course of trade promotion (including the respective numbers of cases in which verbal warnings were issued and prosecutions were instituted, and the punishments on the convicted persons); whether it knows the number of types of the games or activities involved which may be legally conducted in the neighbouring regions without obtaining a licence;
- (2) when the current requirements of the relevant licences and the penalties were made; whether it will, from the perspective of business facilitation and in the light of the development pace of information technology and the actual situation of online commercial and trading activities, review the regulation of lucky draw games or activities organized in the course of trade promotion, including examining if the relevant licensing requirements and penalties still suit the present circumstances; if so, of the details; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) as some small business operators have pointed out that the application fees for a Trade Promotion Competition Licence and an Amusements with Prizes Licence are HK\$1,590 and HK\$3,200 respectively which, together with other licensing conditions (e.g. the former requiring licensees to publish details of the draw results in one English and one Chinese newspaper circulating in Hong Kong, while the latter requiring licensees to obtain a Places of Public Entertainment Licence) are a cost of a considerable amount of money for them, whether the authorities will consider relaxing the conditions and lowering the fees for such licence applications?

## Measures to encourage members of the public to use public transport services

(8) Hon Michael TIEN (Written reply)

The Government has pointed out in the Public Transport Strategy Study (“PTSS”) released recently that “[e]ncouraging people to use public transport services and to walk more will help reduce the use of private cars. This will in turn further ease road congestion ...”. However, quite a number of members of the public have relayed to me that the interchange facilities of public transport are inadequate at present and the fare concessions provided by the various public transport operators are not attractive enough for most of the members of the public to give up driving private cars and switch to public transport for travelling to districts with heavy traffic. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) as the Transport Advisory Committee recommended in its Report on Study of Road Traffic Congestion in Hong Kong released in December 2014 that additional park-and-ride (“PnR”) car parks be built at transport hubs, whether the Government has plans to build PnR car parks near the existing and the six new Bus-Bus Interchanges planned to be built as mentioned in PTSS, so as to reduce traffic flow in congested districts;
- (2) whether it will expeditiously study the installation of closed-circuit television systems at bus stops in districts with heavy traffic so as to enhance the efficiency of the Police in law enforcement against illegal parking; and
- (3) whether it will urge the various franchised bus companies to introduce concessionary monthly passes with prices set at \$700 or below so as to encourage more members of the public to take the bus?