

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights

Proposed terms of reference, work plan and time frame

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To study and follow-up on policies and measures relating to animal rights, and to put forward recommendations where necessary.

Proposed work plan

The subcommittee will focus on studying and making recommendations on the following major issues :

- (a) the Administration's policies on handling and combating animal cruelty cases;
- (b) concrete details and timetable for establishing animal police teams;
- (c) work progress of and codes of operation adopted by animal rights-related units currently within the Government structure;
- (d) measures to promote among members of the public animal adoption;
- (e) reviewing the policies on import and export control of animal skin and fur as well as products with ingredients of animals of endangered species;
- (f) reviewing the Administration's efforts in handling community animals;
- (g) monitoring the impact of large-scale infrastructural projects on endangered wild animals;
- (h) examining animal rights-related traffic ordinances and other relevant legislation; and
- (i) other subject matters relating to animal rights.

Proposed time frame

The Subcommittee will complete work within 12 months of its commencement and report to the Panel.