

Panel on Manpower

List of follow-up actions

(position as at 15 March 2006)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Progress of the implementation of the Mandatory Provident Fund (MPF) System	18.1.01	The Administration was requested to provide monthly progress reports on the implementation of the MPF System.	The progress report as at the end of January 2006 was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1111/05-06 on 13 February 2006.
2. Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals	4.4.03 (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 April to 31 October 2005 circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)563/05-06 on 1 December 2005.
3. Work Trial Scheme to be launched by the Labour Department	26.4.05	The Administration agreed to review the Work Trial Scheme six months after its implementation and revert to the Panel.	Response in LC Paper No. CB(2)1086/05-06(05) circulated on 10 February 2006.

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4. Prevention of abuse of the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund (PWIF)	15.12.05	The Administration was requested – (a) to consider providing a paper setting out its legal view on the issue of requiring all restaurant proprietors to provide bank guarantees for the statutory entitlements of employees; and (b) to provide information on the outcome of suspected fraudulent cases involving PWIF where prosecution had been instituted.	Response awaited. - Ditto -
5. Hong Kong's Occupational Safety Performance in 2004 and the first half of 2005	16.6.05	The Administration was requested to report the progress of the Tripartite Committee's discussion regarding some construction companies adopting administrative measures to discourage contractors from reporting cases of occupational injuries.	Response awaited.
	15.12.05	The Administration was requested to provide the results of its analysis of the occupational diseases dealt with by the Occupational Health Clinic of the Labour Department.	- Ditto -

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6. Minimum wage and mandatory requirement on wage rates for non-skilled workers engaged in services contracted out by the Government	20.10.05	The Administration was requested to provide a written response on – (a) the trades to be required to follow the level of average monthly wages for the relevant industry or occupation in the Quarterly Report of Wage and Payroll Statistics published by the Census and Statistics Department; and (b) whether minimum wage would be set at a level higher than the level of Comprehensive Social Security Allowance.	Response awaited. - Ditto -
7. Extension of temporary jobs in the public sector	19.1.06	(a) The Administration was requested to provide information on – (i) the number of temporary jobs created in the public sector before the outbreak of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome; and	Response awaited.

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		(ii) when the 11 608 temporary jobs to be retained for one year in the public sector were first created and whether there would be any wage increase or decrease for these temporary jobs. (b) The Administration undertook to report the results of its next review on temporary jobs to the Panel in November 2006.	Response awaited. - Ditto -
8. Measures to protect the statutory entitlement of employees under the Employment Ordinance	16.2.06	(a) The Administration was requested to consider executing Labour Tribunal (LT) awards on behalf of employees; and (b) The Judiciary was requested to provide members with information on the relevant provisions in the Labour Tribunal Ordinance regarding the power of LT to order an employer to pay a certain sum of money as security under certain circumstances.	Response awaited. - Ditto -

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9. Labour Department's overall performance in labour administration in 2005	16.2.06	The Administration was requested to provide information on the number of participants of the Support for Self-Reliance Scheme who had secured employment through the Labour Department	Response awaited.

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