

**Subcommittee on Building (Inspection and Repair) Regulation,
Building (Administration) (Amendment) Regulation 2011,
Building (Minor Works) (Amendment) Regulation 2011, and
Buildings (Amendment) Ordinance 2011 (Commencement) Notice 2011**

**List of follow-up action arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 17 November 2011**

- (1) To advise the selection criteria for target buildings under the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme (MBIS) and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme (MWIS). To also advise the application of MBIS and MWIS to buildings under Operation Building Bright.
- (2) To advise the basis upon which the estimated inspection cost of \$10,000 to \$20,000 per building block or an average of \$800 per unit is arrived at. To also advise how the Administration could ensure an adequate pool of registered inspectors (RIs) as the supply of RIs and the prescribed items to be inspected under MBIS and MWIS would have a definite effect on the inspection cost.
- (3) To provide previous cases of possible tender-rigging to enhance public awareness on the one hand and prevent future recurrences on the other. To also consider involving the Independent Commission Against Corruption in this respect.
- (4) To advise the feasibility of a marking scheme for RIs as in the case of the Performance Assessment Scheme and Contractors' Performance Rating System for registered lift/escalator engineers/contractors. To consider specifying in the Regulations the channels through which complaints against RIs can be lodged. To also step up publicity on the penalties for non-compliance with the Regulations by RIs to facilitate better understanding on the liabilities of RIs.
- (5) To consider including in the Regulations a requirement for RIs to comply with the codes of practice issued under MBIS and MWIS. Publicity should also be stepped up on the need for compliance with codes of practice by RIs.

- (6) To advise the assistance and the eligibility criteria for such assistance to be provided by the Administration, Hong Kong Housing Society and Urban Renewal Authority to facilitate compliance with MBIS and MWIS by building owners, in particular elderly owners and those of buildings without owners' corporations. To also advise the circumstances where tenants cannot locate the owners to carry out the necessary works within the specified timeframes.
- (7) To consider the feasibility of setting a target percentage for buildings to be eligible for assistance to be provided under MBIS and MWIS.

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