Progress Report on the Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals

(From 1 April to 30 September 2015)

I. Employment applications

The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals was implemented on 15 July 2003. Between 1 April 2015 and 30 September 2015, **5 620** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **937**). In the same period, **4 648** applications were approved, **324** refused and **451** withdrawn by applicant / no further action taken. As at 30 September 2015, **1 524** applications were under processing.

II. Breakdown of approval cases

Employer Sector	Number of Approval Cases		
	Short-term * employment	Long-term employment	Total
Academic research and education	870	404	1 274
Architecture/surveying	5	9	14
Arts/culture	993	22	1 015
Biotechnology	0	1	1
Catering industry	11	8	19
Commerce and trade	29	284	313
Engineering & Construction	109	102	211
Financial services	150	746	896
Information technology	47	134	181
Legal services	8	57	65
Manufacturing industries	1	10	11
Medical and health services	22	15	37
Recreation and sports	73	11	84
Telecommunications	6	33	39
Tourism	0	6	6
Traditional Chinese Medicine	2	1	3
Others	205	274	479
Total	2 531	2 117	4 648

^{*} Short-term applications refer to those with employment period of less than 12 months.

III. Employers

A total of 1 152 employers are involved, of which 17 are local universities and other education institutions, 33 are partnership firms and 118 non-profit-making organisations exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining 984 employers are as follows:

Paid up Capital	Number of Employers
Below HK\$1 million	640
HK\$1 million to below HK\$10 million	101
HK\$10 million to HK\$100 million	129
Over HK\$100 million	114
Total	984

IV. Education attainment

	Number of Approval Cases		
Academic Attainment	Short-term employment	Long-term employment	Total
Doctoral degree and above	360	161	521
Master degree	290	788	1 078
Bachelor degree or equivalent	809	1 017	1 826
Other qualifications	1 072	151	1 223
Total	2 531	2 117	4 648

V. Monthly remuneration

Remuneration Range (HK\$)	Number of Approval Cases		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Below 20,000	1 126	409	1 535
20,000 to 29,999	548	442	990
30,000 to 39,999	381	373	754
40,000 to 49,999	149	216	365
50,000 to 79,999	220	373	593
80,000 to 119,999	60	174	234
120,000 to 179,999	21	90	111
180,000 to 239,999	7	27	34
240,000 to 279,999	11	4	15
280,000 and above	8	9	17
Total	2 531	2 117	4 648

VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of September 2015, a cumulative total of **96 792** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **81 177** applications were approved (57% of which were for short-term employment), **5 494** refused and **8 597** withdrawn by applicant / required no further action. The remaining **1 524** were under processing.

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