

Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Bazaars

Follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 21 February 2017

The Administration is requested to provide information on:

Measures to facilitate the setting up of bazaars

- (a) the updated list of vacant land for greening or community uses compiled by the Lands Department which are available for uses of community, institutional or non-profit making purposes on short term basis;
- (b) the Administration's response to Subcommittee members' suggestions/views as follows:
 - (i) using a test case to simulate the application procedures for setting up bazaars with a view to simplifying the application procedures and developing a practical guidelines in facilitating the public in making applications;
 - (ii) developing a list of suitable sites for setting up bazaars based on past successful bazaar experience (e.g. bazaars set up at sites that were welcomed by the public and local residents);
 - (iii) regularizing the setting up of bazaars at fixed locations, particularly during the weekends; and
 - (iv) establishing an inter-bureaux/departmental working group to formulate policy on and promote the development of bazaars

The organization of bazaars in public housing estates

- (c) the Administration's response to Subcommittee members' suggestions/views that in order to facilitate applications for setting up bazaars in public housing estates, the Housing Department/the relevant departments should:
 - (i) remind public housing estate offices and frontline staff of the need to render assistance to organizations which intend to set up bazaars in the estates;

- (ii) develop an application form to facilitate applications for setting up bazaars in public housing estates; and
- (iii) relax the existing restriction of not allowing activities organizers to receive cash or cheque on-the-spot during the activities.

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