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**Paper for the House Committee meeting
of 26 January 2018**

**Questions scheduled for the
Legislative Council meeting of 31 January 2018**

Questions by:

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| (1) | Hon Andrew WAN | (Oral reply) |
| (2) | Hon CHAN Han-pan
<i>(Replacing his previous question)</i> | (Oral reply)(New question) |
| (3) | Hon Charles Peter MOK | (Oral reply) |
| (4) | Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT | (Oral reply) |
| (5) | Hon Kenneth LEUNG | (Oral reply) |
| (6) | Hon Paul TSE | (Oral reply) |
| (7) | Hon WONG Ting-kwong | (Written reply) |
| (8) | Hon LAM Cheuk-ting | (Written reply) |
| (9) | Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan | (Written reply) |
| (10) | Hon Kenneth LAU | (Written reply) |
| (11) | Hon Jeremy TAM | (Written reply) |
| (12) | Hon CHAN Chun-ying | (Written reply) |
| (13) | Hon Jimmy NG | (Written reply) |
| (14) | Hon Alice MAK | (Written reply) |
| (15) | Hon CHAN Hak-kan | (Written reply) |
| (16) | Hon WU Chi-wai | (Written reply) |
| (17) | Hon Paul TSE | (Written reply) |
| (18) | Hon Charles Peter MOK | (Written reply) |
| (19) | Hon Kenneth LEUNG | (Written reply) |
| (20) | Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT | (Written reply) |
| (21) | Hon POON Siu-ping | (Written reply) |
| (22) | Hon KWONG Chun-yu | (Written reply) |

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NOTE :

議員將採用這種語言提出質詢

Member will ask the question in this language

Outbreak of influenza epidemic

(2) Hon CHAN Han-pan (Oral reply)

The Government implements the Government Vaccination Programme and the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme annually to provide free or subsidized seasonal influenza vaccination to groups which are at a higher risk of infection (e.g. children and the elderly). It has been reported that Hong Kong is now in the peak season of influenza and there have been sporadic outbreaks of influenza in the community and schools, resulting in the bed occupancy rates of many public and private hospitals reaching or even going beyond their capacities. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows the number of people diagnosed with influenza and, among them, the number of those who had received influenza vaccinations within six months before contracting the disease, in each of the past five years; whether the Government has examined the reasons for some members of the public contracting influenza even after they had received vaccinations; if so, of the outcome;
- (2) of the percentage of the number of people who received influenza vaccination in the population in each of the past five years; whether the Government has reviewed the effectiveness of the aforesaid programme and scheme in preventing or reducing influenza outbreaks in the community and schools; if so, of the outcome; and
- (3) as it has been reported that as of the middle of this month, the paediatric inpatient bed occupancy rates of most of the public and private hospitals have reached or even gone beyond their capacities, e.g. the relevant occupancy rate of Tuen Mun Hospital was once as high as 225%, and since the overcrowdedness of wards will increase the risk of cross-infection among inpatient children, of the Government's immediate counter-measures to address the shortage of hospital beds in paediatric wards?