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

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

Questions by:

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| (1) | Hon Tony TSE | (Oral reply) |
| (2) | Hon Paul TSE | (Oral reply)(New question) |
| | <i>(Replacing his previous question)</i> | |
| (3) | Hon MA Fung-kwok | (Oral reply) |
| (4) | Hon Starry LEE | (Oral reply) |
| (5) | Hon WONG Ting-kwong | (Oral reply) |
| (6) | Hon Kenneth LEUNG | (Oral reply) |
| (7) | Hon Abraham SHEK | (Written reply) |
| (8) | Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT | (Written reply) |
| (9) | Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan | (Written reply) |
| (10) | Hon YUNG Hoi-yan | (Written reply) |
| (11) | Hon James TO | (Written reply) |
| (12) | Hon Holden CHOW | (Written reply) |
| (13) | Hon YIU Si-wing | (Written reply) |
| (14) | Hon HO Kai-ming | (Written reply) |
| (15) | Hon Vincent CHENG | (Written reply) |
| (16) | Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung | (Written reply) |
| (17) | Hon LAM Cheuk-ting | (Written reply) |
| (18) | Hon Jeremy TAM | (Written reply) |
| (19) | Hon CHAN Chi-chuen | (Written reply) |
| (20) | Hon WONG Kwok-kin | (Written reply) |
| (21) | Hon Jimmy NG | (Written reply) |
| (22) | Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan | (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

Efficiency in policy implementation

(2) Hon Paul TSE (Oral reply)

In March this year, the Financial Secretary announced the rolling out of a Caring and Sharing Scheme (“the Scheme”), under which \$4,000 will be disbursed to those members of the public who are not required to pay salaries tax for the preceding year and, for those members of the public whose benefits from concessions in salaries tax and rates are less than \$4,000 in total, an amount of money will be disbursed to them to make up for the difference. The Government expected that the application arrangements for the Scheme would be announced before the end of this year and the Scheme would be open for applications in February next year at the earliest, but no progress has been heard so far. I have learnt that the office under the Working Family Allowance Office responsible for implementing the Scheme has yet to be set up, and the relevant computer program is still under development. Quite a number of members of the public have complained that the slow implementation of the Scheme has given them an impression that the Government is quick to collect taxes but slow to disburse payments and that the administrative efficiency of the bureaucracy is too low. Regarding efficiency in policy implementation, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether the implementation progress of the Scheme (including the setting up of the office and the development of the computer program) is behind schedule; whether it will expedite the relevant work so as to implement the Scheme as early as possible and to receive applications and disburse payments on an earlier date;
- (2) whether, in the light of the situation that the implementation of the Scheme has taken an excessively long time and thereby has fallen short of the public’s expectation, the Government will comprehensively review its efficiency in policy implementation; and
- (3) given that it has been announced in the Policy Address delivered recently that the Government will spend about \$7 billion on the construction of a civil service college, whether it has plans to provide civil servants with specialized training courses in the areas of enhancing the efficiency of policy implementation, strengthening inter-departmental collaboration as well as avoiding the lack of coordination and shirking of responsibilities among various government departments, etc.?