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	has given up the question slot)	
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(19)	Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG	(Written reply)
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(22)	Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT	(Written reply)

Question 5 (For oral reply)

(Translation)

Healthcare services for Hong Kong people living in Mainland cities within the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

Hon CHAN Han-pan to ask:

It is learnt that in recent years, quite a number of Hong Kong people have moved to live in the Mainland cities within the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area ("Bay Area"). As the healthcare protection regime on the Mainland does not cover Hong Kong people, quite a number of such Hong Kong people have opted for returning to Hong Kong to seek medical treatment. Among them, some need to be transferred by Mainland ambulances to a Port and then, after crossing the boundary, by a Hong Kong ambulance to a nearby public hospital. As this transfer process is indirect and time-consuming, the conditions of the patients may be aggravated as a result. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- (1) whether it knows the number of cases, in each of the past three years, in which non-emergency and non-critically ill Hong Kong people were transferred by an ambulance from an immigration control point to a public hospital and, among such cases, the number of those in which the conditions of the patients were aggravated during the transfer; whether it will discuss with the University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Hospital ("HKU-SZ Hospital") the deployment of ambulances by the Hospital to provide cross-boundary direct transfer of Hong Kong people to public hospitals for treatment;
- (2) whether it will open up the electronic health record sharing system for use by HKU-SZ Hospital and, in future, other mainland hospitals recognized by Hong Kong, so as to facilitate Hong Kong people living on the Mainland to seek medical treatment in such hospitals; if so, of the details and timetable; if not, the reasons for that; and
- (3) whether it will extend the scope of application of the elderly health care vouchers to cover hospitals of Tier 3 Class A in the Bay Area; if so, of the details and implementation timetable; if not, the reasons for that?

Question 18 (For written reply)

(Translation)

Government's preparatory work for and follow-up work after the onslaught of typhoons in Hong Kong

Hon Paul TSE to ask:

In the past two years, super typhoons Hato and Mangkhut successively hit Hong Kong and caused huge damage. For instance, at the low-lying areas by the seaside in Lei Yue Mun and its vicinity, storm surges and huge waves tossed up tonnes of seawater together with silts onto the shore, threatening the lives of shop operators and residents along the shore and causing substantial damage to properties. I and the District Council members of the district concerned have repeatedly called on the authorities to construct flood protection barriers along the shoreline of Lei Yue Mun to guard against typhoons. It is understood that the Tourism Commission is implementing the Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project in the district concerned, and the Civil Engineering and Development Department is also conducting a study on the impact of storm surges on the low-lying or exposed coastal areas in Lei Yue Mun and its vicinity as well as in other districts during extreme weather. As both initiatives will take more than a year to complete, they cannot provide a solution to the imminent problems. Moreover, some shop operators and residents who have been victimized twice are worried that in the absence of short-term protective measures, disasters will happen again in this year's typhoon season to the area around the Lei Yue Mun Lighthouse where it is most seriously affected by silts tossed up onto the shore during the onslaught of typhoons in Hong Kong The Observatory has forecast that four to seven typhoons will hit Hong Kong this year. In this connection, will the Government inform this Council:

- of the latest progress of the post-Hato and post-Mangkhut clearance work; the manpower and resources involved in such work, including the expenditure on hiring service contractors to carry out the relevant work, with a breakdown by policy bureau/government department;
- (2) whether it has assessed, during the onslaught of Mangkhut and Hato in Hong Kong, the volume of silts that was tossed up, in particular through the gap near the Lei Yue Mun Lighthouse, onto the shore by storm surges and then poured into nearby shops and residential premises at Lei Yue Mun waterfront, as well as the amount of economic loss so caused;

- (3) whether it has assessed, in the absence of short-term protective measures, the casualties and economic loss that will be caused to the area along the shore at Lei Yue Mun by rainstorms and typhoons this year, and whether last year's disasters will recur; and
- (4) as the aforesaid two initiatives will take more than a year to complete, whether the authorities have put in place targeted short-term measures (e.g. some members of the public have proposed the placing of a number of breakwater columns horizontally) to enhance the capability of Lei Yue Mun waterfront (in particular the area around the aforesaid Lei Yue Mun Lighthouse) to withstand rough sea conditions, so as to avoid the recurrence of the disaster of tonnes of silts and rocks pouring into residential premises and shops; if so, of the details; if not, whether they will conduct a study immediately?

Question 19 (For written reply)

(Translation)

Pest and rodent control

Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG to ask:

Regarding pest and rodent control work, will the Government inform this Council:

- of the following details of the rodent control work carried out in each District Council district by the relevant government departments in each year since 2008: (i) the number of times for which poisonous baits were placed in building blocks, (ii) the number of rodent trappings used, (iii) the numbers of dead rodents collected and live rodents caught, (iv) the number of rat holes blocked, (v) the number of surveys of rodent infestation conducted, (vi) the number of complaints about rodent infestation received, and (vii) the Rodent Infestation Rates recorded; and
- of the following details of the (a) pest control and (b) rodent control work carried out respectively by the relevant government departments in each year since the 2008-2009 financial year: (i) the total expenditure involved, (ii) the staffing establishment of the civil servants responsible for the relevant work and the staff costs involved, and (iii) the total value of outsourced service contracts and the total number of the outsourced service staff members responsible for the relevant work?